

## **Consolidated Financial Statements**

for the year ended 31 December 2018

prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union

and Independent Auditor's Report

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# Independent Auditor's Report

To the Shareholder, Supervisory Board, and Board of Directors of Československá obchodná banka, a.s.

## Report on the audit of the consolidated financial statements

## Our opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Československá obchodná banka, a.s. and its subsidiaries (together the "Group") as at 31 December 2018, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union.

Our opinion is consistent with our additional report to the Audit Committee dated 21 March 2019.

#### What we have audited

The Group's consolidated financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated statement of financial position at 31 December 2018;
- the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year then ended:
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, which include significant accounting
  policies and other explanatory information.

## Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements section of our report.

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

#### Independence

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants issued by the International Federation of Accountants ("Code of Ethics") and other requirements of legislation that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in the Slovak Republic. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics.

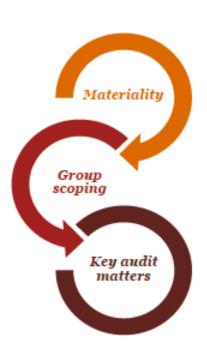
To the best of our knowledge and belief, we declare that non-audit services that we have provided are in accordance with the applicable law and regulations in the Slovak Republic and that we have not provided non-audit services that are prohibited under Regulation (EU) No. 537/2014.

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The non-audit services that we have provided to the Group, in the period from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 are disclosed in Note 31 to the consolidated financial statements.

## Our audit approach



#### Overview

Overall group materiality is EUR 6.7 million and represents a combination of two benchmarks, total profit before tax from continuing operations and total equity, each carrying a 50% weight.

We performed our audit work on Československá obchodná banka, a.s. and performed specified procedures over certain balances and transactions of ČSOB Leasing, a.s., which we consider material in the context of consolidation.

These two entities represent approximately 99% of the Group's total assets at 31 December 2018 and 99% of the Group's profit for the year then ended.

The audit of the expected credit losses required our significant attention given the nature of this estimate and its significance to the consolidated financial statements.

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the consolidated financial statements. In particular, we considered where management made subjective judgements; for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including among other matters, consideration of whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

#### Materiality

The scope of our audit was influenced by our application of materiality. An audit is designed to obtain reasonable assurance whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement. Misstatements may arise due to fraud or error. They are considered material if individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the consolidated financial statements.

Based on our professional judgement, we determined certain quantitative thresholds for materiality, including the overall Group materiality for the consolidated financial statements as a whole as set out in the table below. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the scope of our audit and the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and to evaluate the effect of misstatements, if any, both individually and in aggregate on the consolidated financial statements as a whole.

The qualitative considerations and assessment of the overall impact of the misstatements, which relate to reclassification within the primary statements or within the notes to the consolidated financial statements might be considered not material even if they are quantitatively in excess of the materiality thresholds disclosed below.



Overall Group materiality

How we determined it

Rationale for the materiality benchmark applied EUR 6.7 million

We based the materiality on a combination of two benchmarks, profit before tax and equity, each carrying 50% weight.

The performance of the Group is most commonly evaluated by financial statements users based on the Group's profitability. However, the Group's capital is also an important indicator for many users of the financial statements and shareholder return is commonly expressed relative to the amount of the Group's capital, that is, as a return on equity. We applied quantitative thresholds of approximately 5% to profit before tax and 1% to equity, based on our professional judgement.

#### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

#### Key audit matter

#### How our audit addressed the Key audit matter

#### Expected credit losses estimate

As explained in Note 37.2.8 to the consolidated financial statements, management estimated expected credit losses for financial assets totalling EUR 161,029 thousand.

The carrying value of financial assets at amortised cost may be misstated if individual or collective expected credit losses are not appropriately identified and estimated. The estimates required for calculation of expected credit losses are significant estimates, as explained in more detail in Note 2.2 Significant accounting judgements and estimates of the consolidated financial statements.

Significant management judgement is involved in the identification of significant increase of credit risk or default; the estimation of impairment including estimates of future cash flows incorporating the impact of forward looking macroeconomic information; valuation and recoverability of collateral; implementation of comprehensive credit models.

We consider this estimate as a key audit matter due to the significance of the expected credit loss allowances and related impairment losses for the year. We assessed and tested design and operating effectiveness of manual and automated controls related to the timely identification of defaulted loans.

We tested design and operating effectiveness of IT general controls, including access to programs and data, program changes and computer operations related to quantification of expected credit losses.

The models used for accurate quantification of expected credit losses were critically assessed by our experts in financial risk management and modelling. They assessed whether the design and implementation of models are in line with IFRS 9 impairment requirements. Our experts assessed a validation process implemented by the Group and challenged the results of the validation reports.

We assessed the underlying models including the forward looking information incorporated in these models. On a sample basis, we tested and evaluated their consistent application during the year, reasonableness of assumptions, and completeness and accuracy of the underlying data, which were used by the Group to estimate expected credit losses for loans that share similar credit risk characteristics.

A sample of individually significant loan exposures was examined, in order to test accuracy of expected credit losses calculated on an individual basis. We considered management's assumptions, including forecasts of future cash flows by comparing them to historical performance of the customer and expected future performance as well as assessment of external and internal valuations of underlying collaterals while comparing them to values used by management in the impairment quantification.

Based on the procedures performed, we have not identified material adjustments to the expected credit losses estimate.



### How we tailored our Group audit scope

We tailored the scope of our audit in order to perform sufficient work to enable us to provide an opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole, taking into account the structure of the Group, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which the Group operates.

In establishing the overall approach to the group audit, we determined the type of work that needed to be performed. We performed our audit work on Československá obchodná banka, a.s. and performed specified procedures over certain balances and transactions of ČSOB Leasing, a.s., which we consider material in the context of consolidation. Československá obchodná banka, a.s. and ČSOB Leasing, a.s. as standalone reporting units represent approximately 99% of the Group's total assets as at 31 December 2018 and 99% of the Group's net result for the period.

## Reporting on other information in the consolidated annual report

Management is responsible for the annual report prepared in accordance with the Slovak Act on Accounting No. 431/2002 as amended (hereafter the "Accounting Act"), the Slovak Act on Stock Exchanges No. 429/2002 as amended and the Slovak Act on Securities and Investment Services No. 566/2001 as amended. The annual report comprises (a) the consolidated financial statements and (b) other information. Management has not prepared the annual report by the date of our audit report.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information.

When the consolidated annual report becomes available to us, our responsibility will be to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, to consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

With respect to the annual report, we will also consider whether it includes the disclosures required by the relevant laws and regulations, when it becomes available to us. This will include checking the consistency of the annual report with the consolidated financial statements, and whether the annual report has been prepared in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations.

In addition, our updated report will either state that we have nothing to report in respect of the above, or will describe any material misstatements we identified in the annual report based on our knowledge and understanding of the Group and its environment, which we obtained during our audit.

## Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the consolidated financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.



# Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements,
  whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and
  obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk
  of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from
  error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the
  override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
  that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and,
  based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or
  conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If
  we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's
  report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are
  inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to
  the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease
  to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements.
   We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the Group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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



From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

## Reporting on other legal and regulatory requirements

### Appointment

We were first appointed as auditors of the Group on 27 May 2016. Our appointment has been renewed annually by shareholders resolution representing a total period of uninterrupted engagement appointment of tree years.

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## **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at 31 December 2018**

(in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU)

(EUR '000)	Note	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Assets			
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks	3	240,235	295,046
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4	133,740	50,489
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	5	184,578	n/a
Available-for-sale financial assets	6	n/a	494,058
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	7	36,516	102,103
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	8	7,115,588	6,576,276
Debt securities at amortised cost	9	1,820,495	n/a
of which: pledged as collateral		186,390	n/a
Held-to-maturity investments	10	n/a	1,305,257
Held-to-maturity investments pledged as collateral	10, 17	n/a	186,486
Current income tax asset	32	2,109	4,382
Deferred income tax asset	32	19,000	18,147
Property and equipment	11	167,732	160,565
Intangible assets	12	12,956	9,221
Assets held for sale	13	1,124	1,477
Other assets	14	22,151	17,494
Total assets		9,756,224	9,221,001
Liabilities and equity	16	57,158	81,188
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	16	•	•
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost	17	1,033,956	846,234
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	18	6,278,268	6,052,163
Debt securities issued at amortised cost	19	1,372,128	1,273,857
Subordinated debt	20	87,551	87,543
Provisions	21	8,537	7,213
Current income tax liability	32 22	140	681
Other liabilities  Liabilities		64,731	55,115
Liabilities		8,902,469	8,403,994
Share capital	24.1	295,015	295,015
Share premium	24.2	484,726	484,726
Reserve funds	24.3	59,003	49,601
Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income and cash flow hedge	24.4	8,927	n/a
Revaluation reserve on Available-for-sale financial assets and cash flow hedge	24.4	n/a	16,416
Other revaluation reserve	24.5	(216,162)	(216,162)
Retained earnings		148,266	117,384
Net profit for the year		73,980	70,027
Equity	24	853,755	817,007
Total liabilities and equity		9,756,224	9,221,001

Daniel Kollár Chief Executive Officer

Chief Officer for Financial management, legal and central services

<sup>\*</sup> n/a - not applicable

# Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the year ended 31 December 2018

(in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU)

(EUR '000)	Note	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017 Reclassified
Interest income		229,837	231,070
Similar interest income		2,078	998
Interest expense		(24,560)	(25,059)
Similar interest expense		(853)	(1,200)
Net interest income	26	206,502	205,809
Fee and commission income		82,157	73,829
Fee and commission expense		(12,677)	(11,016)
Net fee and commission income	27	69,480	62,813
Net trading result and exchange differences	28	6,096	12,679
Net realized result from Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		(12)	n/a
Net realized result from financial instruments measured at amortised cost		1,048	72
Dividend income		42	20
Income from operating lease		22,797	17,660
Expense from operating lease		(20,695)	(16,162)
Other operating result	29	762	5,964
Total income		286,020	288,855
Personnel expenses	30	(82,301)	(81,448)
Depreciation and amortisation	11, 12	(13,534)	(13,557)
Other operating expenses	31	(90,220)	(90,221)
Operating expenses		(186,055)	(185,226)
Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks	15	(3,463)	(12,155)
Profit for the year before tax		96,502	91,474
Income tax expense	32	(22,522)	(21,447)
Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the parent		73,980	70,027
Other comprehensive income/ (loss)			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Available-for-sale financial assets	24.4	n/a	(2,348)
Debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	24.4	(3,152)	n/a
Cash flow hedge		-	55
Income tax relating to items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	24.4	659	482
Items that cannot be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	24.4	2,140	n/a
	04.4	(449)	n/a
Income tax relating to items that cannot be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	24.4	(1.0)	
Income tax relating to items that cannot be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss  Other comprehensive loss for the year, net of tax	24.4	(802)	(1,811)

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## **Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 31 December 2018**

(in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU)

(EUR '000)	Share capital	Share premium	Reserve funds	Revaluation reserve on Available-for-sale financial assets	Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	Revaluation reserve on cash flow hedge	Other revaluation reserve	Retained earnings	Total
Equity as at 1 January 2017	248,004	484,726	49,601	17,927	n/a	300	(216,162)	117,430	701,826
Total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the year	-	-	-	(1,854)	n/a	43	-	70,027	68,216
Net profit for the year	-	-	-	-	n/a	-	-	70,027	70,027
Other comprehensive income/ (loss) for the year, net of tax	-	-	-	(1,854)	n/a	43	-	-	(1,811)
Contribution from shareholder	47,011	-	-	-	n/a	-	-	-	47,011
Other	-	-	-	-	n/a	-	-	(46)	(46)
Equity as at 31 December 2017	295,015	484,726	49,601	16,073	n/a	343	(216,162)	187,411	817,007
Equity as at 1 January 2018, before reclassification	295,015	484,726	49,601	16,073	-	343	(216,162)	187,411	817,007
IFRS 9 First time application impact	-	-	-	(16,073)	9,386	-	-	(29,743)	(36,430)
transfer between portfolios	-	-	-	(16,073)	16,073	-	-	-	-
on equity revaluation, net of tax (phase I)	-	-	-	-	(6,687)	-	-	-	(6,687)
AFS equity instrument impairment reversal (phase I)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	665	665
Recognition of expected credit losses, net of tax (phase II)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(30,408)	(30,408)
Equity as at 1 January 2018, Reclassified	295,015	484,726	49,601	n/a	9,386	343	(216,162)	157,668	780,577
Total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the year	-	-	-	n/a	(802)	-	-	73,980	73,178
Net profit for the year	-	-	-	n/a	-	-	-	73,980	73,980
Other comprehensive loss for the year, net of tax	-	-	-	n/a	(802)	-	-	-	(802)
Profit distribution – reserve funds	-	-	9,402	n/a	-	-	-	(9,402)	-
Equity as at 31 December 2018	295,015	484,726	59,003	n/a	8,584	343	(216,162)	222,246	853,755

<sup>\*</sup> n/a - not applicable

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 December 2018

(in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU)

(EUR '000)	Note	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Profit for the year before tax		96,502	91,474
Adjustments for			
Depreciation and amortisation		13,534	13,557
Unrealized (gains)/ losses from financial instruments		(1,684)	4,389
Dividend income		(42)	(20)
Interest income and Similar interest income		(231,915)	(232,068)
Interest expense and Similar interest expense		25,413	26,259
Impairment losses and Provisions		5,339	12,414
Loss/ (gain) on disposal of property and equipment, intangible assets and assets held for sale		324	(498)
Cash flow from operations before changes in operating assets and liabilities		(92,529)	(84,493)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities			
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		(96,798)	13,313
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		13,070	n/a
Available-for-sale financial assets		n/a	18,812
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost		(21,205)	6,112
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost		(571,420)	(492,717)
Other assets		224	(4,814)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		(26,152)	(133,089)
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost		188,520	(48,492)
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost		227,679	435,955
Provisions		(3,202)	(252)
Other liabilities		16,471	6,717
Cash flow from operations before interest and taxes		(365,342)	(282,948)
Interest received		237,087	242,418
Interest paid		(27,215)	(29,536)
Income taxes paid		(15,271)	(17,998)
Net cash flow on operating activities		(170,741)	(88,064)
Cash flow from investing activities			
Debt securities at amortised cost acquisition		(192,516)	(126,281)
Debt securities at amortised cost repayment		145,840	101,995
Dividends received		42	20
Purchase of property and equipment, intangible assets		(24,893)	(112,393)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment, intangible assets and assets held for sale		608	24,187
Net cash flow on investing activities		(70,919)	(112,472)
Cash flow from financing activities			
Proceeds from issue of share capital		-	47,011
Proceeds from issue of Debt securities issued at amortised cost		521,885	340,500
Repayment of Debt securities issued at amortised cost		(434,611)	(114,840)
Subordinated debt		-	87,500
Net cash flow from financing activities		87,274	360,171
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(154,386)	159,635
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	40	395,095	235,460
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	40	240,709	395,095
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(154,386)	159,635

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#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

## 1 Introduction

Československá obchodná banka, a.s., ("ČSOB Bank"), is a universal commercial bank conducting its operations in the Slovak Republic. As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, ČSOB Bank had 131 branches.

Československá obchodná banka, a.s., is a universal commercial bank with its business name Československá obchodná banka, a.s., and registered office at Žižkova 11, 811 02 Bratislava, identification number 36 854 140, legal entity identifier code ("LEI code") 52990096Q5LMCH1WU462.

ČSOB Bank is a part of the group of KBC Bank NV, with its registered office at Havenlaan 2, 1080 Brussels, Belgium ("KBC"). The Consolidated Financial Statements of this immediate parent company are deposited at Nationale Bank van België NV, Balanscentrale, de Berlaimontlaan 14, 1000 Brussels, Belgium.

The ultimate parent and controlling company of ČSOB Bank is KBC GROUP NV ("KBC Group"), with its registered seat at Havenlaan 2, 1080 Brussels, Belgium. The Consolidated Financial Statements of the ultimate parent company are deposited at the same place, Nationale Bank van België NV, Balanscentrale, de Berlaimontlaan 14, 1000 Brussels, Belgium.

The main aim of KBC is to ensure that ČSOB Bank is a strong independent economic subject with equal rights, position and responsibilities as other entities within the KBC Group in Europe. ČSOB Bank provides a wide range of financial and banking services for retail, small and medium-sized entrepreneurs, corporate and private banking domestic and foreign customers in both local and foreign currencies.

These financial statements comprise of financial statements of ČSOB Bank and its subsidiaries, which are all wholly owned ("ČSOB Group").

ČSOB Bank has the following subsidiaries within its group ("ČSOB Group") as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017:

- ČSOB stavebná sporiteľňa, a.s.;
- ČSOB Leasing, a.s. and its subsidiary ("ČSOB Leasing group");
- Nadácia ČSOB (non-consolidated);
- ČSOB Real, s. r. o.;
- ČSOB Advisory, s.r.o. (non-consolidated).

In 2018, ČSOB Bank incorporated a new subsidiary, ČSOB Advisory, s.r.o., with 100% voting power. ČSOB Advisory, s.r.o. is not consolidated due to insignificant impact on consolidated figures. The company was registered on 28 November 2018 in the Commercial Register providing strategic, economic and organizational advisory services for all business segments based on ČSOB Group synergies. As at 31 December 2018, the value of cash deposit of the founder's share capital was in the amount of EUR 100 thousand.

Nadácia ČSOB is not consolidated because ČSOB Group does not have sufficient exposure to variable returns of this entity. As a non-profit organisation, net assets of Nadácia ČSOB are designated for non-profit or charitable purposes, it cannot pay dividends, nor can it transfer net assets to ČSOB Group upon liquidation due to restrictions in Slovak legislation.

As at 31 December 2018, the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of ČSOB Bank's Board of Directors was Daniel Kollár. Other members of the Board of Directors were: Juraj Ebringer, Ľuboš Ondrejko, Branislav Straka, Marcela Výbohová, Ján Lučan and Evert Vandenbussche.

As at 31 December 2017, the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of ČSOB Bank's Board of Directors was Daniel Kollár. Other members of the Board of Directors were: Juraj Ebringer, Ľuboš Ondrejko, Branislav Straka, Marcela Výbohová and Stefan Delaet.

The Chairman of the Supervisory Board as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 was Luc Popelier. The members of the Supervisory Board were Peter Leška and Ladislav Mejzlík.

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## 2 Significant accounting principles and methods

## 2.1 Basic accounting principles

ČSOB Bank's Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 ("Consolidated Financial Statements") have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union ("EU") and Act No 431/2002 Coll. on Accounting. ČSOB Bank also prepares Separate Financial Statements for ČSOB Bank in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and Act No 431/2002 Coll. on Accounting.

ČSOB Bank prepared and issued Separate and Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 on 19 March 2019.

Separate and Consolidated Financial Statements for the preceding accounting period (as at 31 December 2017) were approved and authorized for issue on 20 March 2018.

These Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared under the going-concern assumption that ČSOB Group will continue in operation for the foreseeable future, using the historical cost method except as modified by revaluations of Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (2017: Available-for-sale financial assets) and Financial assets and Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

Balances in brackets represent negative amounts. The presentation currency in the Consolidated Financial Statements is the Euro ("EUR") and the amounts are rounded to thousands of EUR, unless stated otherwise.

#### 2.1.1 Basis of Consolidation

The Consolidated Financial Statements present the accounts and results of ČSOB Bank and its controlled companies. The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income from the acquisition date up to the date when control is lost over the subsidiary. All intra-group balances and transactions, including unrealized intra-group profits or losses, are eliminated on consolidation. Where necessary, accounting policies for subsidiaries have been changed to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by ČSOB Bank.

#### A Subsidiary Undertakings

A subsidiary is a subject controlled by ČSOB Bank (parent company). ČSOB Bank controls an entity if, and only if, ČSOB Bank has all the following:

- power over the entity;
- exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the entity;
- the ability to use its power over the entity to affect the amount of the entity's return.

Where an entity either began or ceased to be controlled during the year, the results are included only from the date such control commenced or up to the date control ceased.

#### 2.2 Significant accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain significant accounting estimates. While applying ČSOB Group's accounting methods, management has also made other judgments in addition to those involving estimates which have a significant impact on the amounts recognized in the Consolidated Financial Statements. The most significant judgments and estimates are as follows.

#### 2.2.1 Effective from 1 January 2018

#### A Business model assessment

The business model assessment is relevant for the purposes of classification and measurement of the debt securities held within portfolios "Financial assets at amortised cost" ("AC") and "Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income" ("FVOCI"). In performing the business model assessment, ČSOB Group reviews the objective of a business model within which an asset is held at a portfolio level, as this best reflects the way the business is managed, and information is provided to management. The considered information includes:

- the stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice. Whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest revenue, maintaining an interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of the liabilities that are funding those assets or realizing cash flows through the sale of the assets;
- how the performance of the financial assets in a portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Board of Directors of ČSOB Group;

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- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed;
- how managers of the business are compensated e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected; and
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and its expectations about future sales activity. However, information about sales activity is not considered in isolation, but as part of an overall assessment of how ČSOB Group's stated objective for managing the financial assets is achieved and how cash flows are realized.

Financial assets that are held for trading or whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are classified within portfolio Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL").

## B Assessment whether contractual cashflows are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI)

ČSOB Group assesses whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest from the principal amount outstanding. For the purposes of this assessment, "principal" is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. "Interest" is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as profit margin.

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

- contingent events that would change the amount and timing of cash flows;
- leverage features;
- prepayment and extension terms;
- terms that limit ČSOB Group's claim to cash flows from specified assets;
- features that modify consideration of the time value of money.

#### C Impairment of financial assets

ČSOB Group assesses financial assets, which are subject to impairment at the reporting date and evaluates the impairment loss that is to be recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. Special assessment of management is necessary for estimation of amount and timing of future cash flows and of stages of the financial assets which have a direct impact on the calculation of impairment. These estimates are determined based on expectations which are influenced by many factors. Actual outcomes may thus differ from the estimates. For more information, refer to note 2.13, 15 and 37.2.

The model for impairment of financial assets is called the Expected Credit Loss model ("ECL"), which means that all financial assets at initial recognition, unless they are already credit impaired, carry an amount of impairments.

Calculating ECL requires significant judgments on different aspects for example, but not limited to, the borrowers' financial position and repayment capabilities, the value and recoverability of collaterals, forward looking and macroeconomic information. ČSOB Group applies neutral and free from bias approach when dealing with uncertainties and making decisions based on significant judgments. The ECL of a financial asset is calculated in a way that reflects:

- an unbiased, probability weighted amount, which is determined by using different possible outcomes;
- the time value of money; and
- adequate and demonstrable information, available at the reporting date, about past events, current conditions and forecasted economic conditions and macroeconomic factors.

ČSOB Group creates individual impairment for individually significant loans and portfolio impairment for those loans which are not individually significant or where no impairment was identified based on an individual assessment.

ČSOB Group considers three different forward looking macro-economic scenarios with different weights in the calculation of ECL. A sensitivity analysis on the impact of these multiple economic scenarios on IFRS 9 collectively calculated ECL, by calculating the delta between the probability weighted outcome (which is booked) and the base case scenario, shows a higher probability weighted ECL for the year-end 2018 in the range of 0.00% and 0.20% versus the base case scenario ECL depending on the entity. Singling out only the portfolios for which there are statistical macroeconomic dependencies, the impact amounts to 1.76%.

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#### 2.2.2 Effective until 31 December 2017

#### A Impairment losses on loans

ČSOB Group reviews its loan portfolio at each reporting date and assesses whether an allowance for impairment should be recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. Judgment is required on the part of the management to estimate the amount and timing of future cash flows and to determine the level of allowance required. Such estimates are based on assumptions using several factors. The actual results may differ from these estimates. For more information see note 2.14, 15 and 37.2.

ČSOB Group creates individual impairment for individually significant loans and portfolio impairment for those loans which are not individually significant or where no impairment was identified based on an individual assessment. ČSOB Group monitors and evaluates loan portfolios in terms of concentration in sectors, industries, their distribution to individual ratings, the existence of collateral and territorial exposure.

#### 2.3 Foreign currencies

The EUR is the currency of the primary economic environment in which ČSOB Group operates (functional currency).

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency at the exchange rates of the European Central Bank ("ECB") prevailing at the dates of transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies as at the balance sheet date are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences".

# 2.4 Financial instruments – accounting for recognition and derecognition effective from 1 January 2018

All financial instruments are measured initially at their fair value and in case of financial assets at amortised cost and financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income the fair value is increased by transaction costs, and in case of financial liabilities at amortised cost the fair value is decreased by transaction costs.

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position when ČSOB Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument, except for "regular way" purchases and sales of financial assets.

A financial asset is derecognized from the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are transferred and the transfer qualifies for derecognition. A transfer requires that ČSOB Group either:

- a) has transferred the contractual rights to receive the asset's cash flows; or
- b) has retained the contractual rights to receive the asset's cash flows but has assumed a contractual obligation to pay those cash flows to a third party.

After a transfer, ČSOB Group assesses the extent to which it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership of the transferred asset. If substantially all the risks and rewards have been transferred, the asset is derecognised. If substantially all the risks and rewards have been neither retained nor transferred, ČSOB Group assesses whether it has retained control of the asset. If it has not retained control, the asset is derecognised. Where ČSOB Group has retained control of the asset, it continues to recognise the asset to the extent of its continuing involvement.

When there is a change in the contractual terms and conditions during the life time of a financial asset, then ČSOB Group assesses whether the new terms are substantially different to the original terms (e.g. in case of refinancing/consolidation of existing facilities, in case the changes made to the interest rate is assessed as significant, in case of change in borrower which impacts significantly the PD of the facility, in case ČSOB Group's right to the cash flows of the original loan have expired or after court's decision when new terms are agreed). When the terms are substantially different then the transaction is accounted for as financial asset derecognition, which requires derecognizing the existing financial asset and recognizing a new financial asset based on the revised terms. Conversely, when ČSOB Group assesses that the terms are not substantially different, the transaction is accounted for as financial asset modification. Modification gains and losses are recognised in the Consolidated Statement of profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

A write-off is a direct reduction of the gross carrying amount of a financial asset when ČSOB Group has no reasonable expectations of recovering the financial asset on its entirety or a portion thereof (loans are deemed to be uncollectible, the client has died and there are no assests to cover the debts, the bankruptcy proceeding was closed, the costs for court proceedings and legal fees are higher than possible recovered amount). ČSOB Group's write-off policies reflect different aspects of local law and fiscal policies. A write-off constitutes a derecognition event. Write-offs do not constitute a debt forgiveness and ČSOB Group retains its legally enforceable rights towards the borrower until the official legal proceedings have concluded otherwise.

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A financial liability is derecognized from the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

ČSOB Group derecognizes the original financial liability and recognizes a new one, when there was a substantial change of contractual terms and conditions of the original financial liability. In assessing whether contractual terms are different, ČSOB Group compares the discounted present value of the cash flows under the new terms discounted using the original effective interest rate, and the discounted present value of the remaining cash flows of the original financial liability. If the difference is more than 10%, ČSOB Group derecognizes the original financial liability and recognizes a new one.

A "regular way" purchase or sale of a financial asset is one in which delivery of the asset is made within the time-frame generally established by regulation or within the convention of the market. For all categories of financial assets, ČSOB Group recognizes "regular way" purchases and sales using settlement date accounting. In settlement date accounting, a financial asset is recognized or derecognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position on the date it is physically transferred to or from ČSOB Group ("settlement date").

For Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss or through other comprehensive income (for the year 2017: for Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and Available-for-sale financial assets), fair value movements between "trade date" and "settlement date" in connection with purchases and sales are recognized under "Net trading result and exchange differences" for Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss; and eventually under "Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income". At the settlement date, the resultant financial asset or liability is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at fair value of paid or received consideration.

## 2.5 Financial instruments – accounting for recognition and derecognition effective until 31 December 2017

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position when ČSOB Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument, except for "regular way" purchases and sales of financial assets.

A financial asset is derecognized from the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are transferred and the transfer qualifies for derecognition. A transfer requires that ČSOB Group either:

- a) has transferred the contractual rights to receive the asset's cash flows; or
- b) has retained the contractual rights to receive the asset's cash flows but has assumed a contractual obligation to pay those cash flows to a third party.

After a transfer, ČSOB Group assesses the extent to which it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership of the transferred asset. If substantially all the risks and rewards have been transferred, the asset is derecognised. If substantially all the risks and rewards have been neither retained nor transferred, ČSOB Group assesses whether or not it has retained control of the asset. If it has not retained control, the asset is derecognised. Where ČSOB Group has retained control of the asset, it continues to recognise the asset to the extent of its continuing involvement.

A financial liability is derecognized from the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

A "regular way" purchase or sale of a financial asset is one in which delivery of the asset is made within the time-frame generally established by regulation or within the convention of the particular market. For all categories of financial assets, ČSOB Group recognizes "regular way" purchases and sales using settlement date accounting. In settlement date accounting, a financial asset is recognized or derecognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position on the date it is physically transferred to or from ČSOB Group ("settlement date"). For Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and Available-for-sale financial assets, fair value movements between "trade date" and "settlement date" in connection with purchases and sales are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

## 2.6 Financial instruments – classification, initial and subsequent measurement effective from 1 January 2018

#### 2.6.1 Financial assets

Financial assets at amortised cost are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs directly attributable to their acquisition. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are measured initially at fair value.

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Classification of financial assets is different for debt and equity instruments, therefore an assessment of the contractual terms of the instruments is made on initial recognition of a financial asset, to classify it as an equity or debt instrument. An equity instrument is defined as any contract that evidences a residual interest in another entity's net assets. To satisfy this condition, ČSOB Group reviews whether the instrument includes no contractual obligation for the issuer to deliver cash or exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another entity under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the issuer.

All instruments which do not meet the criteria of equity instruments are classified as debt instruments by ČSOB Group.

#### A Financial assets – debt instruments

Classification and subsequent measurement of the debt instruments depends on the business model, within which the financial assets are held, and on the characteristics of the contractual cash flows of the financial assets.

ČSOB Group classifies debt instruments within the following portfolios:

- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL");
- Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI");
- Financial assets at amortised cost ("AC").

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

Portfolio consists of two sub-categories:

- financial assets held for trading ("HFT"); and
- financial assets classified at fair value through profit or loss at initial recognition ("FVPL").

Financial assets held for trading consist of:

- trading derivatives (refer to note 34); and
- financial instruments held for trading other than derivatives.

Debt instruments must be classified within the FVPL portfolio when:

- they are not held within business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows or within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets, or alternatively;
- their contractual terms do not meet SPPI test. Otherwise these instruments would be held within the business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows or within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at fair value. Gains and losses resulting from changes in fair value are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences" in the period, in which they occurred. Interest income/expense is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Similar interest income"/ "Similar interest expense" in case of the banking book or under "Net trading result and exchange differences" in case of trading book (trading assets).

#### Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI")

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are financial assets held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows, which are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, as well as to sell financial assets. The assessment of classification must be applied to the debt instrument as a whole.

These financial assets are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. Unrealized gains and losses resulting from changes in fair value of these financial assets are recognized in other comprehensive income.

In case that the financial asset is derecognized, the unrealized gain or loss is derecognized from other comprehensive income and recognized under "Net realized result from Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income" in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

Interest income from financial assets calculated based on effective interest rate method are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest income". For the impairment of assets held within this portfolio see note 2.13.

#### c) Financial assets at amortised cost ("AC")

Financial assets at amortised cost are non-derivative debt financial assets held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows, which are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

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Financial assets are measured at amortised cost based on effective interest rate method in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. Amortised cost is calculated by considering any discount or premium on acquisition and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate.

Gross carrying amount (GCA) of a financial asset is defined as the amount at which the financial assets is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayment plus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method (including on impaired exposures – so-called reserved interest) before adjusting for any impairment losses. Penalty interests of impaired financial asset are not part of GCA. Reserved interest is defined as the contractual interest on financial assets which are likely to remain unpaid.

The amortisation is included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest income". The losses arising from the impairment of such investments are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks". See note 2.13.

#### d) Reclassification

Financial assets are not reclassified after their initial recognition, except in the case when ČSOB Group changes its business model for managing financial assets, which could occur only when ČSOB Group begins or ceases to perform an activity that is significant to its operations. The reclassification takes place from the start of the first reporting period following the change.

#### B Financial assets – equity instruments

Equity instruments are measured at fair value in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. In limited conditions, acquisition costs can be an appropriate measure of fair value for the unquoted equity instruments.

The basic measurement portfolio of equity instruments is FVPL. However, ČSOB Group can make an irrevocable decision that subsequent changes in fair value (including exchange rate differences) are recognized in other comprehensive income within portfolio FVOCI. In case of sale or disposal of instrument held within FVOCI portfolio, the amounts recognized in other comprehensive income are not transferred to the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss. The only exception applies to the dividend income which is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss.

Expected credit losses are not recognized for equity instruments.

#### 2.6.2 Financial liabilities

ČSOB Group classifies financial liabilities in the following portfolios:

- Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL");
- Financial liabilities at amortised cost ("AC").

#### A Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL")

This portfolio consists of two sub-portfolios:

- Financial liabilities held for trading ("HFT"). Within this sub-portfolio, all derivatives ČSOB Group entered are held:
- Financial liabilities classified at fair value through profit or loss at initial recognition ("FVPL"). Within this sub-portfolio, financial liabilities can be classified if they meet at least one of the following criteria:
  - classification eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement inconsistency of assets and liabilities, or inconsistency of recognizing the gains and losses from revaluation differences of assets and liabilities;
  - the liabilities represent a group of financial liabilities, which are managed and evaluated based on their fair value and in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy;
  - financial liabilities contain embedded derivatives; excluding the cases when these embedded derivatives do not modify the contractual cash flow in a significant manner, or they could not be recognized separately.

After initial recognition, the financial instruments cannot be reclassified to or from this portfolio.

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at fair value. Gains and losses resulting from fair value revaluation are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences" in the period, in which they occur. Interest income/expense is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Similar interest income"/ "Similar interest expense" in case of the banking book or under "Net trading result and exchange differences" in case of trading book (trading liabilities).

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#### B Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities at amortised cost are non-derivative financial liabilities, where the substance of the contractual terms results in ČSOB Group having an obligation either to deliver cash or another financial asset to the counterparty of this instrument.

Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value of the consideration received including transaction costs in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. Subsequently, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortised cost is calculated by considering any discount or premium on acquisition and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The amortisation is included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest expense".

#### 2.6.3 Day 1 profit/ Day 1 loss

At initial recognition, ČSOB Group shall measure a financial asset or financial liability at its fair value, which is normally the transaction price. However, if the fair value of the financial asset or financial liability at initial recognition differs from the transaction price, ČSOB Group shall account for that instrument at that date as follows: when the transaction price in a non-active market differs from the fair value of other observable market transactions in the same instrument or from the fair value based on a valuation technique whose variables include only data from observable markets, the difference between the transaction price and the fair value (day 1 profit/ day 1 loss) is reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences". If this is not the case (i.e. the variables do not include only data from observable markets), day 1 profit/ day 1 loss is reserved and is released in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income during the life and until the maturity of the financial instrument.

## 2.7 Financial instruments – classification, initial and subsequent measurement effective until 31 December 2017

All financial instruments are measured initially at their fair value plus, in the case of financial assets and financial liabilities not at fair value through profit or loss, these are increased by transaction costs.

The classification of financial instruments depends on the purpose for which the financial instruments were acquired and their characteristics. ČSOB Group classifies financial assets in the following categories:

- Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss;
- Loans and receivables;
- Held-to-maturity investments;
- Available-for-sale financial assets;
- Financial liabilities at amortised cost.

#### 2.7.1 Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

The category has two sub-categories:

- financial assets and liabilities held for trading. This category also includes all derivatives entered by ČSOB Group;
- financial assets and financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. Financial assets and liabilities may be classified in this sub-category when at least one of the following criteria is met:
  - the classification eliminates or significantly reduces inconsistencies in treatment that would otherwise arise from measuring the assets or liabilities or recognizing gains or losses on them on a different basis;
  - the assets and liabilities are a part of a group of financial assets, financial liabilities, or both, which are managed, and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy;
  - the financial instruments contain an embedded derivative, unless the embedded derivative does not significantly modify the cash flow, or it is obvious, with little or no analysis, that it could not be reported separately.

Financial assets and liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at fair value. Gains and losses resulting from changes in fair value are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences" as incurred. Interest income/expense is recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Similar interest income"/ "Similar interest expense" for those held in the banking book or under "Net trading result and exchange differences" for those held in the trading book (trading assets/liabilities).

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Where the transaction price differs from the fair value evidenced by quoted price in an active market for identical items or based on a valuation technique that uses only data from observable markets, ČSOB Group immediately recognizes the difference between the transaction price and the fair value (a Day 1 profit) in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences". In cases where use is made of data which is not observable, the difference between the transaction price and model value is only recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income when the inputs become observable, or when the instrument is derecognized.

## 2.7.2 Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost and Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost

Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost and loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted on an active market and where ČSOB Group has no intention of trading the financial asset.

Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost and Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortised cost is calculated by considering any discount or premium and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate.

The amortisation is included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest income". Losses arising from the impairment of these investments are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

#### 2.7.3 Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that ČSOB Group's management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity. Where ČSOB Group plans to sell more than an insignificant amount of held-to-maturity assets, the entire category would be tainted and reclassified as Available-for-sale financial assets.

Held-to-maturity investments are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortised cost is calculated by considering any discount or premium and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The amortisation is included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest income". Any losses arising from the impairment of these investments are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

#### 2.7.4 Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are assets which are classified under this category on acquisition, or which do not qualify for classification at fair value through profit or loss, Held-to-maturity investments or loans and receivables.

Available-for-sale financial assets are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses arising from changes in fair value of these financial assets are recognized in other comprehensive income. When an asset is derecognized, the unrealized gain or loss is reclassified from the other comprehensive income to "Net realized result from Available-for-sale financial assets" in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. Interest income arising from Available-for-sale financial assets calculated using the effective interest rate method is reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest income". Equity investments whose fair value cannot be reliably measured are held at cost less impairment (note 6). For impairment of Available-for-sale financial assets, see note 2.14.

#### 2.7.5 Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities at amortised cost are non-derivative financial liabilities where the substance of the contractual arrangement results in ČSOB Group being under an obligation to deliver either cash or another financial asset to the counterparty.

These liabilities are measured in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortised cost is calculated by considering any discount or premium and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The amortisation is included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest expense".

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#### 2.8 Embedded derivatives effective from 1 January 2018

ČSOB Group occasionally purchases or issues financial instruments containing embedded derivatives. As the requirement for classification of a financial asset must be applied for the debt instrument, as well as when it is a hybrid instrument containing embedded derivative, the embedded derivative cannot be separated from the host contract. In this case, the entire financial instrument is assessed as a whole. When the contractual cash flows of the financial instrument as a whole represent cash flows other than principal and interest, then such financial instrument has to be categorized as financial instrument at fair value through profit or loss.

An embedded derivative into financial liability is separated from the host contract and carried separately at fair value if the economic characteristics of the derivative are not closely related to the economic characteristics of the host contract and the instrument as a whole is not classified as financial asset or financial liability at fair value through profit or loss. If a separate derivative does not qualify as a hedging derivative, it is classified as a trading derivative. When ČSOB Group cannot reliably separate the embedded derivative, the entire hybrid instrument is classified at fair value through profit or loss.

#### 2.9 Embedded derivatives effective until 31 December 2017

ČSOB Group occasionally purchases or issues financial instruments containing embedded derivatives. An embedded derivative is separated from the host contract and carried separately at fair value if the economic characteristics of the derivative are not closely related to the economic characteristics of the host contract and the hybrid instrument is not classified at fair value through profit or loss.

If a separate derivative does not qualify as a hedging derivative, it is classified as a trading derivative. When ČSOB Group cannot reliably separate the embedded derivative, the entire hybrid instrument is classified at fair value through profit or loss.

#### 2.10 Hedging derivatives

ČSOB Group opted to use the IAS 39 hedge-accounting principles (in accordance with the EU carve-out version of IAS 39) and awaits further developments at the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) regarding macro hedging.

Within ČSOB Group's strategy hedging derivatives are determined for hedging some risks and meet all criteria for the classification of hedging derivatives in compliance with IFRS. ČSOB Group's criteria for the application of hedge accounting include:

- formal documentation of the hedging instrument, hedged item, hedging objective, strategy and relationship is prepared before hedge accounting is applied;
- the hedge is documented at inception showing that it is expected to be highly effective in offsetting the risk in the hedged item throughout the hedging period;
- the hedge is highly effective on an ongoing basis. The hedge is considered to be highly effective if the changes in fair value attributable to the hedged risk during the period for which the hedge is designated are expected to offset the fair value changes of the hedging instrument in a range of 80% to 125% based on materiality threshold set at the beginning of the hedge contract depending on a basis point value ("BPV").

ČSOB Group uses instruments, designated as hedging instruments as cash flow hedges and fair value hedges to manage ČSOB Group's interest rate risk.

#### 2.10.1 Fair value hedges

For designated and qualifying fair value hedges, changes in the fair value of hedging instruments are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences" together with any changes in the fair value of the hedged items (assets or liabilities) that are attributable to the hedged risk. Interest income/interest expense of hedging instrument is presented in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income together with interest income/interest expense of hedged item. The positive fair value of hedging instruments and the revaluation of assets hedged is presented in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Other assets". Negative value of hedging instruments and revaluation of liability hedged items is presented under "Other liabilities". For an overview of hedging derivatives, see note 34.

Hedge accounting is discontinued, when ČSOB Group revokes the hedging relationship, the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting.

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#### 2.10.2 Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is initially recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under "Revaluation reserve on cash flow hedge". The ineffective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognized immediately in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences". When the hedged cash flow affects the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is reclassified from other comprehensive income to the corresponding income or expense line in profit or loss. When the hedging instrument expires, or is sold, terminated, exercised, or when a hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, any cumulative gain or loss existing in equity at that time remains in equity and is reclassified from other comprehensive income to profit or loss when the hedged forecast transaction is ultimately recognized in profit or loss. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the cumulative gain or loss that was reported in equity is immediately transferred from other comprehensive income to profit or loss.

#### 2.11 Securities funded under repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase at a specified future date ("repos") remain in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as assets. The corresponding cash received is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss", "Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost" or "Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost" depending on the counterparty and reflecting the economic substance of the loan. The difference between the sale and repurchase prices is treated as "Interest expense"/ "Similar interest expense" and is accrued using the effective interest rate method in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income over the life of the agreement. When the counterparty has the right to sell or repledge the securities, ČSOB Group reports those securities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "of which: pledged as collateral" (2017: reclassifies those securities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position to "Available-for-sale financial assets pledged as collateral" or "Held-to-maturity investments pledged as collateral", as appropriate).

Conversely, securities purchased under agreements to resell at a specified future date ("reverse repos") are not recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position. The corresponding cash paid is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss", "Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost" or "Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost", depending on the counterparty and the economic substance of the loan. The difference between the purchase and resale prices is treated as "Interest income"/ "Similar interest income" and is accrued using the effective interest rate method in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income over the life of the agreement.

#### 2.12 Fair value of financial instruments

The fair value of the financial instrument 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 by ČSOB Group.

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 market participants act in their economic best interest. A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

Financial instruments classified as Financial assets and Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss or Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (2017: Available-for-sale financial assets) are fair valued using the quoted market prices if a price is quoted in an active market. For financial instruments that are not traded in an active market, their fair values are estimated using pricing models, quoted prices of instruments with similar characteristics, or discounted cash flows. These fair value estimation techniques may be affected by assumptions made by ČSOB Group, including the discount rate, liquidity and credit spreads and estimates of future cash flows. See note 36.

#### 2.13 Impairment of financial assets effective from 1 January 2018

ČSOB Group reviews the financial assets, which are subject to impairment, and re-evaluates the impairment losses at the end of each calendar month. Determining stage of a financial asset and estimating the volume and timing of future cash flows has direct impact on the impairment calculation.

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ČSOB Group assesses impairment of financial assets on an individual basis for financial assets that are individually significant, and collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. For the purposes of a collective evaluation of impairment, financial assets are grouped based on similar credit risk characteristics. If ČSOB Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and assesses them for impairment collectively. Assets that are assessed for impairment individually and for which an impairment loss is or continues to be recognized are not included in a collective assessment of impairment

Financial assets that are subject to impairment are classified into three stages, namely Stage 1: Performing; Stage 2: Underperforming (where significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition occurs); and Stage 3: Non-performing or impaired (once an asset meets the definition of default).

#### 2.13.1 Definition of default

ČSOB Group uses the definition for defaulted financial assets which is used for internal risk management purposes and to be in line with guidance and standards of the financial industry regulators and to be in line with KBC Group definition of default. A financial asset is considered as defaulted if one or more of the following conditions are fulfilled:

- a significant deterioration in creditworthiness;
- the asset is flagged as a forborne asset in line with the internal policies for forbearance;
- ČSOB Group has filed for client's bankruptcy, the counterparty has filed for bankruptcy or sought similar protection measures;
- the credit facility towards the customer is terminated.

ČSOB Group applies a backstop for facilities that have at least 90 days past due status. In this context a backstop is used as a final control to ensure that all the financial assets that should have been designated as defaulted, are properly identified.

#### 2.13.2 Expected credit loss model (ECL model) - general

A new model for recognition of impairment losses of financial assets, the expected credit loss model ("ECL model") model, is implemented under IFRS 9. The ECL model means that all financial assets at initial recognition, unless they are already credit impaired, carry an amount of impairments. Impairment losses are calculated based on 12-month ECL for Stage 1 and based on lifetime ECL for Stage 2 and Stage 3, according to the significance of credit risk increase of the financial assets in comparison to its initial recognition.

The ECL model is applicable to the following financial assets:

- Financial assets measured at amortised cost ("AC");
- Debt instruments measured at fair value through the other comprehensive income ("FVOCI");
- Credit facilities issued but not drawn, financial guarantees given, and letters of credit given;
- Finance lease receivables:
- Trade and other receivables.

All financial assets at initial recognition, unless they are already credit impaired, are classified at Stage 1 and carry 12-month ECL. Once a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition of the financial asset occurs or the borrower is impaired, the financial asset carries life-time ECL. Once a significant increase in credit risk related to the financial asset since initial recognition occurs at the reporting date, the financial asset migrates from Stage 1 to Stage 2 and carries life-time ECL. Once a financial asset meets the definition of default it migrates to Stage 3.

In line with IFRS 9, ČSOB Group uses a practical expedient for trade receivables. The ECL for trade receivable can be measured to an amount equal to the life-time ECL. ČSOB Group applies this practical expedient for trade and other receivables.

Financial assets measured at amortised cost are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at their carrying amount being the gross carrying amount minus impairment losses. Impairment gains and losses are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

Debt instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at their carrying amount being the fair value at the reporting date. Impairment loss is is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

For contracts that include both a loan and an undrawn commitment and ČSOB Group cannot separately identify the expected credit losses on the undrawn commitment component from those on the loan component, the expected credit losses on the undrawn commitment are recognised together with the loss allowance for the loan.

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The expected credit losses on credit facilities issued but not drawn, financial guarantees given, and letters of credit given are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Provisions" and in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

#### 2.13.3 Significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition

The significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition is assessed by all exposures that are subject to the general model for calculation of impairment losses. When assessing the significance of increase in credit risk, the change in risk of default of exposure is more important than change in the expected cash flows of financial asset. The assessment of a significant increase in credit risk is fully symmetrical, which means that exposure can be transferred to or returned to different stages over its life time, based on fulfilment or failure to meet the criteria for migration between stages. ČSOB Group uses a multi-tier approach (MTA).

#### A Multi-tier approach (MTA) – bond portfolio

For the bond portfolio the MTA consists of three tiers:

- low credit exception bonds always carry 12-months ECL if they have a low credit risk at the reporting date (i.e. Stage 1). ČSOB Group uses the low credit risk exception for bonds which are graded as investment grade (note 37.2.1);
- internal rating (only applicable if the first tier is not met) this is a relative assessment comparing the Probability of Default ("PD") at initial recognition to the PD at the reporting date. ČSOB Group makes the assessment on a facility level at each reporting period;
- management assessment finally management reviews and assesses the significant increase in credit risk for financial assets at an individual and a portfolio level.

If none of the triggers are hit the bond remains in stage 1. A financial asset is considered impaired (i.e. Stage 3) as soon as it meets the definition of default. The MTA is symmetrical, i.e. a bond that has migrated to Stage 2 or Stage 3 can return to Stage 2 or Stage 1 if the Tier that triggered the migration is not present in a subsequent reporting date.

#### B Multi-tier approach (MTA) – loan portfolio

For the loan portfolio ČSOB Group uses a five-tier approach. This MTA is a waterfall approach, i.e. if after assessing the first Tier, it doesn't result in migrating to Stage 2, then the second Tier is assessed and so on. At the end, if all Tiers are being assessed without triggering a migration to Stage 2, then the financial asset remains in Stage 1.

- internal rating the internal rating is used as the main criterion for assessing the increase in credit risk. This is a relative assessment comparing the PD at initial recognition to the PD at the reporting date. ČSOB Group makes the assessment on a facility level at each reporting period,
- forbearance forborne financial assets are always considered as Stage 2, unless they are already impaired. In the latter case, they migrate to Stage 3,
- days past due a financial asset that is more than 30 days past due, migrates to Stage 2,
- internal rating backstop ČSOB Group uses an absolute level of PD as a backstop for financial assets to migrate to Stage 2. This backstop corresponds to the highest PD (i.e. PD 9 based on ČSOB Group's internal rating) before a financial asset is considered to be impaired,
- management assessment finally management reviews and assesses the significant increase in credit risk for financial assets at an individual and a portfolio level.

A financial asset is considered impaired (i.e. Stage 3) as soon as it meets the definition of default. The MTA is symmetrical, i.e. a loan that has migrated to Stage 2 or Stage 3 can return to Stage 2 or Stage 1 if the Tier that triggered the migration is not met at the reporting date.

#### 2.13.4 Measurement of ECL

ECL is calculated as the product of the probability of default ("PD"), the estimated exposure at default ("EAD") and the loss given default ("LGD"). Credit losses represent the differences between all contractual cash flows that are contractually due to ČSOB Group and all expected contractual cash flows due to ČSOB Group, discounted by original effective interest rate.

ECL is calculated to reflect:

- an unbiased, probability-weighted amount;
- the time value of money; and
- information about past events, current conditions and forecast economic conditions.

The 12 months ECL represents the portion of the life time expected credit losses that result from possible events of default of a financial asset within 12-month period after the reporting date.

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The life-time ECL represents the expected credit losses that result from all possible events of default over the expected life time of the financial asset.

ČSOB Group uses specific IFRS 9 models for PD, EAD and LGD to calculate ECL. These models classify clients based on different input parameters reflecting behavioural information (the data from client's current and loan accounts), financial information (client's financial statements) and qualitative parameters. To the extent possible ČSOB Group uses similar modelling techniques that have been developed for prudential purposes (i.e. Basel models) and ensures that the Basel models are adapted to be in compliance with IFRS 9, for example:

- removes the conservatism which is required by the regulator for Basel models;
- adjusts the way that macroeconomic parameters affect the outcome to ensure that the IFRS 9 models reflect a "point-in-time" rather than "through-the-cycle" estimate (the latter is required by the regulator);
- ČSOB Group applies forward-looking macroeconomic information in the models' information (for instance real GDP growth, house price index or 10-year government bond yield).

ČSOB Group also considers three different forward-looking macroeconomic scenarios with different weightings when calculating ECL. The base-case macroeconomic scenario represents ČSOB Group's estimates for the most probable outcome and serves as primary input for other internal and external purposes.

The maximum period for measurement of ECL is usually the maximum contractual period (including extensions). For financial assets that include a drawn and an undrawn amount available on demand, and for financial assets where ČSOB Group has contractual ability to request repayment of the drawn amount and cancel the undrawn commitment, the exposure to credit risk can extend beyond the contractual period (ČSOB Group uses life-span between 1 and 10 years).

For financial assets at amortised cost, the impairment losses as well as changes to the amount of the loss are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

For financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, the impairment losses as well as changes to the amount of the loss are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income".

When a loan is uncollectable, it is written off against the related allowance for impairment. Such loans are written off after all the necessary procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

#### 2.13.5 Purchased or originated credit impaired (POCI) assets

POCI assets are defined as financial assets purchases or originated, which are defaulted already at initial recognition (i.e. meet the definition of default). For the assessment of the extent of default, the exposures with internal rating PD 10 to 12 at initial recognition are considered POCI financial assets. Interest income is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Interest income".

POCI financial assets are initially recognized at amortised cost and are measured at amortised cost using a creditadjusted effective interest rate. ČSOB Group recognizes changes in expected credit losses, which occurred over the whole life time since initial recognition, in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

#### 2.13.6 Restructured loans

Where possible, ČSOB Group seeks to restructure loans rather than to assume possession of collateral. This may involve the agreement of new contractual conditions and the need for a loan maturity extension. Once the terms of a loan have been renegotiated, the loan is no longer considered past due, however, the rating of the client cannot be improved solely based on the restructuring. ČSOB Group's management continually reviews renegotiated loans to ensure that all criteria concerning the recovery of such assets and the minimisation of credit risk are met.

When a loan is uncollectable, it is written off against the related allowance for impairment. Such loans are written off after all the necessary procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

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#### 2.14 Impairment of financial assets effective until 31 December 2017

At each balance sheet date, ČSOB Group assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred subsequent to the initial recognition of the asset (a "loss event") and that the loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of assets which can be reliably estimated.

Objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of assets is impaired includes observable data that is available to ČSOB Group on the following loss events:

- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or obligor;
- breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- ČSOB Group granting to the borrower, for economic or legal reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, a concession that the lender would not otherwise have considered;
- the probability that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial restructuring procedures;
- the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties;
- observable data indicating that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows from a group
  of financial assets after the initial recognition of those assets, although the decrease cannot yet be identified
  with the separate financial assets in the group, including:
  - o adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers in the group; or
  - o national or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults on assets in the group.

## 2.14.1 Held-to-maturity investments, Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost and Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost

ČSOB Group assesses impairment of these categories of financial assets on an individual basis for financial assets that are individually significant, and collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. For the purposes of a collective evaluation of impairment, financial assets are grouped based on similar credit risk characteristics. If ČSOB Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and assesses them for impairment collectively. Assets that are assessed for impairment individually and for which an impairment loss is or continues to be recognized are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

An impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (in the case of assets with a fixed interest rate), or current effective interest rate (in the case of assets with a variable interest rate). The calculation of the present value of the estimated future cash flows of a collateralized financial asset reflects the cash flows that will result from foreclosure, less the costs of obtaining and selling the collateral.

Future cash flows in a group of financial assets that are collectively evaluated for impairment are estimated based on the contractual cash flows of the assets in the group and the historical loss experience for assets with credit risk characteristics like those in the group. The historical loss experience is adjusted based on current observable data to reflect the effects of current conditions that did not affect the period on which the historical loss experience is based and to remove the effects of conditions in the historical period that do not currently exist.

Estimates of changes in future cash flows for groups of assets should reflect and be directionally consistent with changes in the related observable data from period to period. ČSOB Group regularly reviews the methodology and assumptions used for estimating future cash flows to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience.

Where possible, ČSOB Group seeks to restructure loans rather than to assume possession of collateral. This may involve the agreement of new contractual conditions and the need for a loan maturity extension. ČSOB Group's management continually reviews renegotiated loans to ensure that all criteria concerning the recovery of such assets and the minimisation of credit risk are met.

Impairment losses as well as changes to the amount of the loss are reported in the form of allowances with a corresponding entry in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

When a loan is uncollectable, it is written off against the related allowance for impairment. Such loans are written off after all the necessary procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

#### 2.14.2 Available-for-sale financial assets

For Available-for-sale equity investments, ČSOB Group assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that an investment or a group of investments is impaired.

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In the case of equity investments classified as Available-for-sale financial assets, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost represents objective evidence that the asset is impaired. ČSOB Group treats "significant" generally as 20% and "prolonged" as greater than 1 year. In the case of debt financial instruments classified as Available-for-sale financial assets, impairment is determined based on expected cash flows.

The amount of loss is determined as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value. Impairment losses are recognized as allowances and in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks". If, in a subsequent period, the fair value of a debt instrument classified as Available-for-sale financial asset increases and the increase can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognized in profit or loss, the impairment loss is reversed through the profit or loss line "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks" Any loss from equity instruments classified as Available-for-sale financial asset may not be reduced through profit or loss.

#### 2.15 Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, and the net amount reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position if, and only if, there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability at the same time.

Such a right of set off:

- must not be contingent on a future event; and
- must be legally enforceable in all the following circumstances:
  - o the normal course of business;
  - the event of default; and
  - the event of insolvency or bankruptcy.

#### 2.16 Leasing

Determination as to whether an arrangement is a lease, or contains a lease, is based on the substance of the arrangement and entails an assessment as to whether fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets and whether the arrangement conveys the right to use the asset.

#### 2.16.1 ČSOB Group as a lessee

The leases entered by ČSOB Group as a lessee are primarily operating leases. The total payments made under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease. Income and expenses from operating leases are presented in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Income from operating lease" and "Expenses from operating lease", respectively.

When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognized as an expense in the period in which the termination takes place.

#### 2.16.2 CSOB Group as a lessor

Lease contracts under which the risks and rewards related to the ownership of the leased asset are substantially transferred from ČSOB Group to the client customer are classified as finance leases. A finance lease is recognized when the leased asset is delivered to the customer at an amount equal to the net investment in the lease and presented as a finance lease receivable. The gross investment in the lease represents future minimum lease payments plus the initial direct costs or fees. The difference between gross and net investment in the lease represent the future income from the lease, which is presented as "Interest income" in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income during the lease term using the effective interest method.

Leases, in which ČSOB Group does not transfer substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership of the asset, are classified as operating leases. ČSOB Group leases out certain of its properties under operating leases. Thus, generating rental income. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating operating leases are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised as an expense over the lease term on the same basis as rental income. Contingent rents are recognised as revenue in the period in which they are earned. Rental income, depreciation and disposals relating to operating lease assets is included under "Income from operating lease" and "Expenses from operating lease", respectively.

Repossessed collateral from finance and operating leases are mainly non-financial assets acquired by ČSOB Group in the settlement of overdue contracts. The assets are initially recognised at fair value when acquired and included under "Assets held for sale" and "Other assets", respectively.

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#### 2.17 Recognition of income and expenses

Revenue is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income to the extent that it is probable that economic benefits will flow to ČSOB Group and the revenue can be reliably measured.

#### 2.17.1 Interest income and interest expense

Interest income and interest expense are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income on an accrual basis, using the effective interest rate method.

The effective interest rate method is a method for calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability and for allocating the interest income or interest expense over the respective period. The effective interest rate is the rate that discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument to the net carrying value of the financial asset or financial liability.

When calculating the effective interest rate, ČSOB Group estimates cash flows taking into consideration all the contractual terms of the financial instrument but excluding any future credit losses. The early redemption options are not considered, unless management determined that their impact on the carrying value would be material to the financial statements and reliable estimates can be made. The calculation includes all material fees and amounts paid or received between the contractual parties which are an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of financial assets, except for (i) financial assets that have become credit impaired (Stage 3), for which interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to their gross carrying amount, net of the ECL provision, and (ii) POCI, for which the original credit-adjusted effective interest rate is applied to the amortised cost value.

#### 2.17.2 Fees and commissions income and expense

Most fee and commission income fall under the scope of IFRS 15 (Revenue from Contracts with Customers), as it relates to the services that ČSOB Group provides to its customers and is outside the scope of other IFRS standards. For the recognition of revenue, ČSOB Group identifies the contract and defines the promises (performance obligations) in the transaction. Revenue is recognised only when ČSOB Group has satisfied the performance obligation.

Fees and commissions, such as securities related fees and payment services fees, are generally recognized on an accrual basis when the service has been provided.

Distribution fees such as the acquisition of loans, shares or other securities or the purchase or sale of businesses, are recognized on completion of the underlying transaction.

Credit and guarantee related fees are all fees related to loans and credit facilities issued but not drawn, except those reported under "Net interest income" based on the effective interest rate definition.

The income presented under Asset management services – trust and fiduciary activities, entry fees falls under the scope of IFRS 15.

Custodial and fiduciary services fees relating to investment funds or securities are accrued proportionally over the period for which the service is provided.

Product insurance fees are related to insurance contracts in which ČSOB Group acts as an agent. As ČSOB Group is not a party in an insurance contract, fee income from clients and fee expense to the insurance company are netted.

Network income/expense is the revenue from margins earned on foreign exchange transactions (related to payments, loans, deposits and investments) carried out by the network (branches and online) for customers. Network income/expense reflects the fees from margins that can be considered as part of the investment and payments business, which is fee-based.

#### 2.17.3 Dividend income

ČSOB Group recognizes the revenue only if:

- ČSOB Group has the right to receive dividend payment;
- it is probable that ČSOB Bank will receive economic profit linked to dividend; and
- the dividend can be reliably measured.

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#### 2.18 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash, deposits of banks due and payable forthwith on demand measured at amortised cost and at fair value ("Other demand deposits with banks"), loans and receivables from banks measured at amortised cost and fair value through profit or loss with original maturity of up to three months, government treasury bills and treasury bills of the National Bank of Slovakia ("NBS") with original maturity of up to three months.

#### 2.19 Property, equipment and intangible assets

Land, buildings, equipment and intangible assets include real estate used by ČSOB Group, software, IT and communications and other machines and equipment.

Property and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. The cost includes the acquisition price and other related ancillary costs, e.g. transportation costs, customs duties or commissions. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to write down the cost of each asset to its residual value over its estimated useful life for the following periods:

Buildings	30 – 33 years
Equipment	3 – 12 years
Other tangible assets	4 – 20 years

Intangible assets are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of assets. Amortisation periods are determined on an individual basis (3 - 15 years).

Assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted, where appropriate, as at the balance sheet date.

Assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment at each balance sheet date or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

#### 2.19.1 Investment property

Investment properties are properties, land or building, held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation. Investment property is stated at historical cost less impairment losses and accumulated depreciation using depreciation on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives. The depreciation of investment property is presented in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Other operating result". The estimated useful life of buildings classified as investment property is 30-33 years. The carrying amount of investment property and its depreciation are disclosed in note 11.

## 2.19.2 Internally generated intangible assets

Internally generated intangible assets are outputs of internal projects created through a development phase.

Expenditures on internal generated intangible assets comprise all directly attributable necessary expenditures to create, produce, and prepare the assets to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Intangible assets are reported at cost (internal and external expenditures) less any accumulated amortisation. The amortisation is used for straight-line amortisation during the estimated useful life of the assets. Periods of the amortisation are set individually.

Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment at each balance sheet date or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An asset's carrying amount is reduced immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

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## 2.20 Financial guarantees and Credit facilities issued but not drawn effective from 1 January 2018

In the normal course of business, ČSOB Group provides financial guarantees consisting of letters of credit and letters of guarantee. If ČSOB Group is a guarantee holder (financial guarantee received), the financial guarantee is not reported on the balance sheet but is taken into consideration as collateral when determining impairment of the guaranteed asset. If ČSOB Group is a guarantor, a provision for financial guarantees given are recognised in the Consolidated Financial Statements at the higher of (a) the amount determined in accordance with the impairment losses of IFRS 9 and (b) the amount initially recognised less, when appropriate, cumulative amortisation recognised in accordance with the revenue recognition principle of IFRS 15 and are presented in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Provisions". The fees accepted for guarantee issues are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Fee and commission income". Any increase and any decrease in the liability relating to financial guarantees given is included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

Provisions for Credit facilities issued but not drawn are measured at the amount of ECL (note 2.13) and are reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements of Financial Position under "Provisions".

### 2.21 Financial guarantees effective until 31 December 2017

In the normal course of business, ČSOB Group provides financial guarantees consisting of letters of credit and letters of guarantee. If ČSOB Group is a guarantee holder (financial guarantee received), the financial guarantee is not recorded on the balance sheet but is taken into consideration as collateral when determining impairment of the guaranteed asset. If ČSOB Group is a guarantor, financial guarantees given are recognized in the Consolidated Financial Statements at the higher of the deferred guarantee fee and the best estimates of the expenditure required to settle any financial obligation arising as a result of the guarantee and are presented under "Provisions". The fees accepted for guarantee issues are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Fee and commission income". Any increase and any decrease in the liability relating to financial guarantees is included in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks".

#### 2.22 Employee benefits

Pensions to ČSOB Group's former employees are paid through the pensions system valid in the Slovak Republic. This system is funded from gross salary-derived social insurance contributions from employees and employers.

In addition to these contributions, ČSOB Group contributes to the employees' additional pension insurance beyond the framework of legal social security. Contributions are charged to the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income as they are made.

ČSOB Group also operates other post-employment benefits comprising lump sum retirement benefits, long service and jubilee benefits. The cost of providing pensions is charged to the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income to spread the regular cost over the service lives of employees. The liabilities related to the benefits are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows discounted to the maturity periods of benefits.

#### 2.23 Provisions

Provisions are created when ČSOB Group has a current legal or constructive obligation because of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

#### 2.24 Income tax

There are two components of income tax expense: current and deferred. Current income tax expense entails the amounts to be paid or refunded within income taxes for the respective period. The taxable profit is determined from profit/loss for the current accounting period, adding tax non-deductible expenses and deducting income which is not subject to income tax.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized due to the different valuation of assets and liabilities in accordance with the Income Tax Act and their carrying amounts in the Consolidated Financial Statements. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to the temporary differences when they reverse, based on the laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the end of the reporting period.

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Deferred tax is calculated using the balance sheet liability method. All deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable that a future taxable profit will be available against which the deferred tax assets can be utilized. Deferred tax liabilities represent income taxes to be paid in future periods due to taxable temporary differences. Deferred taxes are disclosed in the Consolidated Financial Statements at their net values.

ČSOB Group also pays various indirect operating taxes which are a part of "Other operating expenses". Levies and charges, such as taxes other than income tax or regulatory fees based on information related to a period before the obligation to pay arises, are recognised as liabilities when the obligating event that gives rise to pay a levy occurs, as identified by the legislation that triggers the obligation to pay the levy. If a levy is paid before the obligating event, it is recognised as a prepayment.

#### 2.25 Fiduciary activities

ČSOB Group commonly acts in fiduciary activities that result in the holding or placing of assets on the accounts of individuals and institutions. Assets under management or custody are not recognized as assets or liabilities in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position but are accounted for as off-balance sheet items, since ČSOB Group does not bear the risks and rewards of ownership associated with such items.

The fee income arising thereon is recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Fee and commission income".

#### 2.26 Changes in accounting policies

#### 2.26.1 Issued but not effective at year-end 2018

The following standards, amendments and interpretations have been issued and are effective after the year-end 2018. ČSOB Group has decided not to early adopt them. Unless otherwise described below, the new standards, amendments and interpretations are not expected to significantly affect ČSOB Group's financial statements.

**IFRS 16 Leases** endorsed by the EU on 31 October 2017 and is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. IFRS 16 sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both parties to a contract, i.e. the customer ("lessee") and the supplier ("lessor"). The new standard requires lessees to recognize most leases in their financial statements. Lessees will have a single accounting model for all leases, with certain exemptions. Lessor accounting is substantially unchanged. The first time application of IFRS 16 will have a limited impact on "Total assets".

The IASB published several other limited amendments to existing IFRSs during 2018 and before, which have effective date after the 2018 year-end. They will be applied by ČSOB Group when they become mandatory, but their impact is currently estimated to be negligible.

#### 2.26.2 Effective from 1 January 2018

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those used in the previous financial period except that ČSOB Group has adopted the following standards, amendments and interpretations. ČSOB Group updated accounting policies to reflect IFRSs effective from 1 January 2018.

As at 1 January 2018 ČSOB Group adopted **IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers** effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. ČSOB Group has identified the relevant contracts and assessed them using the new five-step model for revenue recognition. The new requirements had no material impact on the revenue recognition.

As at 1 January 2018 ČSOB Group adopted **IFRS 9 Financial Instruments (2014)** effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 and replacing IAS 39 (Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement). The IFRS 9 adoption led to changes in accounting principles and changes of carrying amount in financial statements. ČSOB Group did not adopt IFRS 9 in the previous accounting periods. IFRS 9 significantly modified several standards related to financial instruments, e.g. **IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures.** 

ČSOB Group used the transition relief regarding disclosing comparative information at the date of initial application. IFRS 7 amendments related to IFRS 9 adoption in Notes to financial statements were applied only to current accounting period. Comparative disclosures remained unchanged compared to the previous accounting period. As at transition date (1 January 2018), all changes of carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities were booked to the opening balances of Retained earnings and Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, see note 2.27. ČSOB Group used the option to continue with hedge accounting under IAS 39 and will await further developments at the IASB regarding macro hedging.

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#### 2.27 IFRS 9 transition disclosures

Total impact of IFRS 9 first-time application ("FTA") as at 1 January 2018 led to the decrease in equity amounting EUR (42,592) thousand before tax (EUR (36,430) thousand after tax).

#### 2.27.1 Transition disclosures – Financial assets

IFRS 9 FTA related to financial assets had an impact on equity of EUR (39,549) thousand before tax (EUR (33,387) thousand after tax) and consists of:

- a) change in classification and measurement of financial assets of EUR (7,634) thousand before tax; and
- b) increase in impairment amounting EUR (31,915) thousand before tax.

#### IFRS 9 FTA impact was as below:

- a) Classification and measurement (phase I):
  - "Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss held for trading" (IAS 39) were fully transferred to the portfolio "Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss held for trading" (IFRS 9) with no impact on Retained earnings and Revaluation reserve.
  - Equity instruments in portfolio "Available-for-sale financial assets" (IAS 39) were fully transferred to the portfolio "Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income" (IFRS 9) with an impact amounting EUR 665 thousand on Retained earnings and EUR (665) thousand on Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (with null total impact on equity).
  - Debt securities in portfolio "Available-for-sale financial assets" (IAS 39) (EUR 487,388 thousand in total) were partially (EUR 192,461 thousand) transferred to portfolio "Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income" (IFRS 9) with impact amounting EUR 41 thousand on Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income. Remaining debt securities (EUR 294,927 thousand) were transferred to portfolio "Debt securities at amortised cost" (IFRS 9) with impact EUR (7,675) thousand on Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.
  - "Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost" and "Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost" had no impact on Retained earnings and Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.
  - Portfolio "Held-to-maturity investments" (IAS 39) were fully transferred to the portfolio "Debt securities at amortised cost" (IFRS 9) with no impact on Retained earnings and Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.
- b) Impairments (phase II):
  - As at 1 January 2018, the adoption of IFRS 9 model for ECL led to an increase of impairment on debt instruments with an impact on Retained earnings amounting EUR (31,915) thousand. The most significant effect of EUR (32,021) thousand resulted from booking life-time ECL on Stage 2 Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost.

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Table below reconciles net carrying amount under IAS 39 as at 31 December 2017 to net carrying amount under IFRS 9 as at 1 January 2018.

(EUR '000)	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Available- for-sale financial assets	Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	at	Held-to- maturity investments *	Total
Carrying amount (IAS 39) as at 31 Dec 2017	50,489	494,058	102,103	6,576,276	1,491,743	8,714,669
Financial assets at fair value through profit or lo	oss					
Carrying amount (IAS 39) as at 31 Dec 2017	50,489	-	-	-	-	50,489
Carrying amount (IFRS 9) as at 1 Jan 2018	50,489	-	-	-	-	50,489
Financial assets at fair value through other com Carrying amount (IAS 39) as at 31 Dec 2017	prehensive inco	me 199,131				199,131
remeasurement		199,131				199,131
reclassification: reversal revaluation reserve (IAS 39)	-	(12,668)	-	<u> </u>	-	(12,668)
reclassification: impact revaluation reserve (IAS 39) on OCI-reserve (IFRS 9)	-	12,668	-	-	-	12,668
reclassification: other than reversal revaluation reserve	-	(624)	-	-	-	(624)
of which: related to equity instruments	-	(665)	-	-	-	(665)
impairment	-	624	-	-	-	624
reversal specific impairments	-	665	-	-	-	665
transfer to 12-month ECL	-	(41)	-	-	-	(41)
Carrying amount (IFRS 9) as at 1 Jan 2018	-	199,131	-	-	-	199,131
Financial assets at amortised cost Carrying amount (IAS 39) as at 31 Dec 2017		294,927	102,103	6,576,276	1,491,743	8,465,049
remeasurement	-	(7,954)	(77)	(31,444)	(74)	(39,549)
reclassification: reversal revaluation reserve (IAS 39)	-	(7,675)	-	-	-	(7,675)
Increase of GCA by reserved interest	-	-	-	19,150	-	19,150
impairment	-	(279)	(77)	(50,594)	(74)	(51,024)
reversal specific impairments and IBNR provision	-	-	114	137,845	29	137,988
transfer to lifetime ECL	-	-	(92)	(177,810)	-	(177,902)
of which: ECL to reserved interests	-	-	-	(19, 150)	-	(19,150)
transfer to 12-month ECL	-	(279)	(99)	(10,629)	(103)	(11,110)
Carrying amount (IFRS 9) as at 1 Jan 2018	-	286,973	102,026	6,544,832	1,491,669	8,425,500

<sup>\*</sup> Including debt securities pledged as collateral

As at 31 December 2018, the fair value of debt securities reclassified due to the transition to IFRS 9 from Available-for-sale financial assets portfolio, to Debt securities at amortised cost (as at 1 January 2018 EUR 294,927 thousand) was EUR 149,439 thousand (decrease mainly due to maturity). As at 31 December 2018 the fair value loss that would have been recognised in other comprehensive income during the reporting period was EUR (6,558) thousand.

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Table below shows the impact of IFRS 9 FTA on Equity lines as at 1 January 2018.

(EUR '000)	Available- for-sale financial assets	Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	Held-to- maturity investments	Total (before tax)	Deferred tax	Total (after tax)
Retained earnings							
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	624	-	-	-	624		
Financial assets at amortised cost	(279)	(77)	(31,444)	(74)	(31,874)		
Total	345	(77)	(31,444)	(74)	(31,250)	4,550	(26,700)
Revaluation reserve on Financial ass	ets at fair valu	e through other	comprehensi	ve income			
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	(624)	-	-	-	(624)		
Financial assets at amortised cost	(7,675)	-	-	-	(7,675)		
Total	(8,299)	-	-	-	(8,299)	1,612	(6,687)
Total impact on Equity	(7,954)	(77)	(31,444)	(74)	(39,549)	6,162	(33,387)

Table below reconciles impairment loss under IAS 39 as at 31 December 2017 to impairment loss under IFRS 9 as at 1 January 2018.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2017 (note 15)	Reversal specific impairments	Reversal IBNR provision	Transfer to lifetime ECL	Transfer to 12-month ECL	1 Jan 2018 (note 15)
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (debt securities)	-	-	-	-	41	41
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (equity instruments)	665	(665)	-	-	-	-
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	114	(92)	(22)	92	99	191
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	137,845	(126,472)	(11,373)	177,810	10,629	188,439
Debt securities at amortised cost	n/a	n/a	n/a	-	382	382
Debt securities at amortised cost (from portfolio Held-to-maturity investments under IAS 39)	29	-	(29)	-	103	103
Debt securities at amortised cost (from portfolio Available-for-sale financial assets under IAS 39)	-	-	-	-	279	279
Provisions for off-balance sheet risks	1,654	(708)	(946)	3,065	1,632	4,697

## 2.27.2 Transition disclosures – Financial liabilities

ČSOB Group did not reclassify any financial liabilities due to IFRS 9 first-time application.

### 2.27.3 Transition disclosures – Provisions for off-balance sheet risks

Base on IFRS 9, provisions for off-balance sheet risks are reflected as ECL. Due to IFRS 9 FTA ČSOB Group increased provisions for off-balance sheet risks to EUR 4,697 thousand. The impact on Retained earnings equals EUR (3,043) thousand. Table below reconciles the carrying amount as at 31 December 2017 under IAS 39 to carrying amount as at 1 January 2018 under IFRS 9 and shows the FTA impact by provisions categories.

(EUR '000)	Credit facilities issued but not drawn	Financial Guarantees	Total
Carrying amount (IAS 39) as at 31 Dec 2017	703	951	1,654
reversal specific impairments	(64)	(644)	(708)
reversal IBNR provision	(639)	(307)	(946)
transfer to lifetime ECL	2,409	656	3,065
transfer to 12-month ECL	1,524	108	1,632
Remeasurement due to IFRS 9 first-time application	3,230	(187)	3,043
Carrying amount (IFRS 9) as at 1 Jan 2018	3,933	764	4,697
FTA impact on Retained earnings (before tax)	(3,230)	187	(3,043)
FTA impact on Retained earnings (after tax)	(3,230)	187	(3,043)

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# 2.28 Reclassification of the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the year ended 31 December 2017

In 2018, ČSOB Group performed a review of the presentation of the financial statements. ČSOB Group decided to change the presentation of some items in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. The changes are not related to IFRS 9 adoption. The changed presentation is in compliance with the IFRS and provides reliable and more relevant information to the users of the financial statements.

Due to the amended presentation of the financial statements, some comparative amounts in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the year ended 31 December 2017 were reclassified.

The explanation for reclassifications:

- 1. ČSOB Group reclassified interest income/expense to line "Similar interest income" and "Similar interest expense" based on the substance of financial instrument.
- 2. ČSOB Group reclassified Network income and Network expense from line "Net trading result and exchange differences" to lines "Fee and commission income"/ "Fee and commission expense", respectively.
- ČSOB Group reclassified "Net realized result from financial instruments measured at amortised cost" from line "Other operating result" to the separate line in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.
- 4. ČSOB Group reclassified "Dividend income" from line "Other operating result" to the separate line in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

Reconciliation of the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the year ended 31 December 2017 before and after reclassification is as follows.

(EUR '000)	Reclassification Note	31 Dec 2017 Before reclassification	Changes in presentation	31 Dec 2017 Reclassified
Interest income	1	232,068	(998)	231,070
Similar interest income	1	-	998	998
Interest expense	1	(26,259)	1,200	(25,059)
Similar interest expense	1	-	(1,200)	(1,200)
Fee and commission income	2	70,188	3,641	73,829
Fee and commission expense	2	(9,799)	(1,217)	(11,016)
Net fee and commission income		60,389	2,424	62,813
Net trading result and exchange differences	2	15,103	(2,424)	12,679
Net realized result from financial instruments measured at amortised cost	3	-	72	72
Dividend income	4	-	20	20
Other operating result	3, 4	6,056	(92)	5,964

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# 3 Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
At amortised cost		
Cash balances	186,257	200,343
Mandatory minimum reserves	24,927	30,711
Other demand deposits with banks	29,051	51,937
At amortised cost Total	240,235	282,991
At fair value		
Other demand deposits with banks	-	12,055
At fair value Total	-	12,055
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks	240,235	295,046

Mandatory minimum reserves ("MMR") are maintained in the amount required by the regulations of the NBS and are not designed for daily use. They are accounted for as interest-bearing deposits in accordance with the regulations of the NBS. The NBS paid interest on the mandatory minimum reserve balances at 0.00% p.a. as at 31 December 2018 (31 December 2017: 0.00% p.a.). The amount of the reserves depends on the volume of deposits received.

## 4 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Financial assets held for trading		
Loans and receivables from banks	-	12,775
Financial trading derivatives (note 34)	7,293	8,703
Government debt securities	107,586	1
Bank bonds	13,764	15,219
Other bonds	5,097	13,791
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	133,740	50,489

# 5 Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

See note 2.27 related to reclassification due to IFRS 9 adoption.

As at 31 December 2018, all financial assets in the portfolio Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income were classified in Stage 1.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018
Debt securities	
Government debt securities	126,226
Bank bonds	49,778
Debt securities total	176,004
Impairments on Government debt securities	(2)
Impairments on Bank bonds	(24)
Impairments total (note 15)	(26)
Net carrying amount debt securities	175,978
Equity instruments	
VISA Inc.	4,834
MasterCard	3,649
Other shares	117
Net carrying amount equity instruments	8,600
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	184,578

As at 31 December 2018, ČSOB Group received dividend from financial assets in portfolio Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income amounting EUR 42 thousand reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Dividend income".

As at 31 December 2018 ČSOB Group realised losses from the sale of debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income of EUR (12) thousand reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net realized result from Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income". See note 24.4.

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## 6 Available-for-sale financial assets

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2017
At fair value	
Government debt securities	300,531
Bank bonds	79,807
Other bonds	107,050
Shares	6,653
VISA Inc.	3,858
MasterCard	2,795
Total	494,041
At cost	
Shares	682
Impairment losses (note 15)	(665)
Total	17
Available-for-sale financial assets	494,058

#### 7 Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost

See note 2.27 related to reclassification due to IFRS 9 adoption.

(EUR '000)	Stage 1	Stage 3	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Loans and receivables from banks	14,245	92	14,337	99,297
Other receivables from banks	22,281	-	22,281	2,920
Total	36,526	92	36,618	102,217
Impairments on Loans and receivables from banks (note 15)	(10)	(92)	(102)	(114)
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	36,516	-	36,516	102,103

As at 11 June 2014, the ECB introduced a negative deposit facility interest rate in excess of the MMR at the end of period. It is derived from the deposit facility interest rate, at 31 December 2018 (0.40%) p.a. (31 December 2017: (0.40%) p.a.).

As at 31 December 2018, ČSOB Group held in its portfolio of Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost the amount of EUR 4,410 thousand of cash (31 December 2017: EUR 0) pledged as collateral for a loan received from banks. See note 17 and 35.

#### 8 Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost

See note 2.27 related to reclassification due to IFRS 9 adoption. For detail by class of loans see note 37.2.

As at 31 December 2018, Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost are as follows.

(EUR '000)	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	POCI	Total
Loans and receivables from customers	6,412,697	706,276	151,199	5,447	7,275,619
Impairment losses (note 15)	(11,206)	(33,079)	(111,318)	(4,428)	(160,031)
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	6,401,491	673,197	39,881	1,019	7,115,588

As at 31 December 2017, Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost are as follows.

(EUR '000)	Exposure	Impairment losses (note 15)	Net carrying amount
Unimpaired loans and receivables from customers	6,525,314	(11,373)	6,513,941
Impaired loans and receivables from customers	188,807	(126,472)	62,335
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	6,714,121	(137,845)	6,576,276

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#### 8.1 Finance lease

Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost include also net investments into finance lease. Lease contracts relate to cars and other technical equipment.

	Minimum lea	se payments	Net present value of lease payments		
(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017	
Finance lease receivable					
Not later than 1 year	264,556	253,089	246,952	234,628	
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	423,600	399,355	404,783	380,195	
Later than 5 years	27,096	26,888	25,806	25,334	
Total	715,252	679,332	677,541	640,157	
Less: future finance income (unrealized finance lease income)	(37,711)	(39,175)	-	-	
Present value of future lease payments	677,541	640,157	677,541	640,157	
Allowance for uncollectible lease payments	(4,795)	(8,577)	(4,795)	(8,577)	

As at 31 December 2018, ČSOB Group possessed collaterals (mainly cars related to leased assets) with the net book value of EUR 1,124 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 1,477 thousand). ČSOB Group is in the process of selling them. See note 13.

## 9 Debt securities at amortised cost

See note 2.27 related to reclassification due to IFRS 9 adoption.

As at 31 December 2018, all financial assets in the portfolio Debt securities at amortised cost were classified in Stage

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018
Government debt securities	1,578,282
Bank bonds	123,804
Other bonds	118,754
Total	1,820,840
Impairment losses on government debt securities	(22)
Impairment losses on bank bonds	(56)
Impairment losses on other bonds	(267)
Total (note 15)	(345)
Debt securities at amortised cost	1,820,495

As at 31 December 2018, ČSOB Group held in the portfolio of Debt securities at amortised cost government debt securities at net carrying amount of EUR 186,390 thousand, placed as collateral for a loan received from banks and reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "of which: pledged as collateral". See note 17 and 35.

In 2018, ČSOB Group derecognised debt securities with nominal value EUR 120,001 thousand due to the sale close to maturity date. The gain EUR 1,048 thousand from sale is reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net realized result from financial instruments measured at amortised cost".

#### 10 Held-to-maturity investments

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2017
Government debt securities	1,379,144
Bank bonds	112,628
Total	1,491,772
Impairment losses (note 15)	(29)
Held-to-maturity investments	1,491,743

As at 31 December 2017, ČSOB Group held in its portfolio of Held-to-maturity investments government debt securities with the carrying amount of EUR 186,486 thousand placed as collateral for a loan received from banks. These securities are presented separately from securities held-to-maturity in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Held-to-maturity investments pledged as collateral". See note 17 and 35.

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11 Property and equipment

(EUR '000)	Investment property	Land and buildings	ICT equipment	Office equipment	Other	Acquisition	Tota
Cost as at 1 January 2018	15,291	134,658	9,381	8,261	83,650	885	252,126
Additions	-	-	-	-	-	37,597	37,597
Transfers	118	894	842	168	34,030	(36,052)	
Disposals	-	(1,638)	(1,683)	(644)	(18,398)		(22,363
Cost as at 31 December 2018	15,409	133,914	8,540	7,785	99,282	2,430	267,360
Accumulated depreciation as at 1 January 2018	(1,452)	(48,698)	(7,291)	(6,856)	(24,944)	-	(89,241)
Depreciation	(634)	(4,300)	(1,300)	(328)	(2,377)	-	(8,939)
Disposals	-	773	1,648	644	2,185	-	5,250
Operating lease depreciation	-	-	-	-	(10,855)	-	(10,855)
Operating lease disposals	-	-	-	-	6,042	-	6,042
Accumulated depreciation as at 31 December 2018	(2,086)	(52,225)	(6,943)	(6,540)	(29,949)	-	(97,743)
Impairment losses as at 1 January 2018	(241)	(1,150)	-		(929)	-	(2,320)
Release	-	-	-	-	123	-	123
Use	-	312	-	-	-	-	312
Impairment losses as at 31 December 2018	(241)	(838)	-	-	(806)	-	(1,885)
Net book value as at 31 December 2018	13,082	80,851	1,597	1,245	68,527	2,430	167,732
(EUR '000)	Investment property	Land and	ICT equipment	Office equipment	Other	Acquisition	Tota
Cost as at 1 January 2017	1,474	79,098	11,903	7,793	62,968	3,733	166,969
Additions	-	-	-	-	_	102,367	102,367
Transfers	13,817	56,479	1,551	1,346	31,999	(105,192)	
Disposals	-	(919)	(4,073)	(878)	(11,317)	(23)	(17,210)
Cost as at 31 December 2017	15,291	134,658	9,381	8,261	83,650	885	252,126
Accumulated depreciation as at 1 January 2017	(944)	(45,449)	(9,960)	(7,432)	(21,605)	-	(85,390)
Depreciation	(508)	(4,107)	(1,342)	(299)	(2,144)	_	(8,400)
Disposals	-	858	4,011	875	1,774	_	7,518
Operating lease depreciation	_	-	-	-	(8,169)	-	(8,169)
Operating lease disposals	-	-	-	-	4,977	-	4,977
Other transfers	-	-	-	-	223	-	223
Accumulated depreciation as at 31 December 2017	(1,452)	(48,698)	(7,291)	(6,856)	(24,944)	-	(89,241)
		(4.450)	_	_	(275)	_	(1,666)
Impairment losses as at 1 January 2017	(241)	(1,150)					
Impairment losses as at 1 January 2017 Creation	(241)	(1,150) -	-	-	(654)	-	(654)
•	(241)	(1,150)	-	-		-	(654) (2,320)

# 11.1 Investment property

As at 31 December 2018, ČSOB Group owns land and buildings rented to other parties with a total net book value of EUR 13,082 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 13,598 thousand). Total rental income earned from investment property amounted to EUR 1,262 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 913 thousand) and is presented under "Other operating result" in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. The depreciation of investment property is presented under "Other operating result" and amounted to EUR 634 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 508 thousand). The carrying values of investment property approximate to their fair values since substantial values of the investment properties were acquired during 2017 from independent third parties.

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#### 11.2 **Operating lease**

The table below shows assets leased to customers under operating lease as at 31 December 2018.

(EUR '000)	Gross carrying amount	Depreciation	Net carrying amount
Land and buildings	13,310	(833)	12,477
ICT and office equipment, and other	625	(203)	422
Passenger cars	40,237	(17,960)	22,277
Other motor vehicles	6,746	(2,572)	4,174
Machinery and equipment	9,275	(993)	8,282
Total	70,193	(22,561)	47,632

The table below shows assets leased to customers under operating lease as at 31 December 2017.

(EUR '000)	Gross carrying amount	Depreciation	Net carrying amount
Land and buildings	13,225	(375)	12,850
ICT and office equipment, and other	592	(80)	512
Passenger cars	32,357	(11,552)	20,805
Other motor vehicles	4,914	(1,714)	3,200
Machinery and equipment	938	(210)	728
Total	52,026	(13,931)	38,095

The following table summarises future minimum lease payments receivable under non-cancellable operating leases.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Not later than 1 year	14,344	11,004
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	26,234	20,098
Later than 5 years	3,935	31,163
Total	44,513	62,265

#### Intangible assets **12**

(EUR '000)	Acquired software	Internally generated software	Other intangible assets	Acquisition	Total
Cost as at 1 January 2018	39,793	12,437	111	548	52,889
Additions	-	-	-	8,964	8,964
Transfers	718	4,235	128	(5,081)	-
Disposals	(296)	-	-	-	(296)
Cost as at 31 December 2018	40,215	16,672	239	4,431	61,557
Accumulated amortisation as at 1 January 2018	(34,174)	(9,487)	(7)	-	(43,668)
Amortisation	(3,019)	(2,194)	(16)	-	(5,229)
Disposals	296	-	-	-	296
Accumulated amortisation as at 31 December 2018	(36,897)	(11,681)	(23)	-	(48,601)
Net book value as at 31 December 2018	3,318	4,991	216	4,431	12,956
(EUR '000)	Acquired software	Internally generated software	Other intangib	le ts Acquisition	n Total
Cost as at 1 January 2017	37,696	9,959		- 1,130	0 48,785
Additions	-	-		- 3,979	9 <b>3,979</b>
Transfers	1,972	2,478	11	1 (4,561	) -
Disposals	(135)	-		-	- (135)
Other transfers	260	-		-	- 260
Cost as at 31 December 2017	39,793	12,437	11	1 54	52,889
Accumulated amortisation as at 1 January 2017	(31,244)	(6,654)		-	- (37,898)
Amortisation	(2,825)	(2,833)	(	7)	- (5,665)
Disposals	135	-		-	- 135
Other transfers	(240)	-		-	- (240)
Accumulated amortisation as at 31 December 2017	(34,174)	(9,487)	(	7)	- (43,668)
Net book value as at 31 December 2017	5,619	2,950	10	04 54	8 9,221

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### 12.1 Insurance cover

ČSOB Group's insurance covers all standard risks to tangible and intangible assets. Tangible and intangible assets of ČSOB Group are insured against the following risks:

- natural disasters;
- theft, robbery;
- insurance of machines and electronic equipment;
- insurance of transport of electronic equipment;
- insurance against fire causing an interruption of operations.

Tangible and intangible assets are insured up to the amount of their cost, which is recalculated by the index determined by the insurance company.

#### 13 Assets held for sale

(EUR '000)	Other (note 8.1)
Net book value at 1 January 2018	1,477
Additions	744
Disposals	(1,097)
Net book value at 31 December 2018	1,124

(EUR '000)	Land and buildings	Other (note 8.1)	Total
Net book value at 1 January 2017	3,602	1,893	5,495
Additions	-	1,155	1,155
Disposals	(3,602)	(1,571)	(5,173)
Net book value at 31 December 2017	-	1,477	1,477

The net book value of ČSOB Group's assets held for sale represents its fair value. The discounted cash flow method, based on observable market data, was performed based on its highest and best use from a market participant's perspective. Therefore, in the fair value hierarchy it is considered as a Level 2 categorisation.

#### 14 Other assets

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Other financial assets		
Accrued non-interest income	1,597	1,720
Advances	11,093	7,708
Fair value changes of hedged item	5,792	(247)
Hedging derivatives (note 34)	35	1,637
Other	1,039	4,504
Total	19,556	15,322
Impairment losses (note 15)	(525)	(802)
Other financial assets	19,031	14,520
Other non-financial assets		
Prepaid charges	3,120	2,974
Other non-financial assets	3,120	2,974
Other assets	22,151	17,494

# 15 Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks

Tables below show Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks calculated as expected credit losses (ECL) and the detail of Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost by class of financial asset, both as at 31 December 2018.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2018	Due to origination *	Due to derecognition *	Due to change in credit risk without transfer between Stages (change in PD/LGD/EAD) *	Due to change in credit risk with transfer between Stages *	Due to modification (forborne) *	Due to write-	Movements in GCA	31 Dec 2018 Re	ecoveries *
Financial assets at fair value through	other comp	rehensive incon	ne (note 5)							
Stage 1	41	-	(14)	(1)	-	-	-	-	26	-
Total	41	-	(14)	(1)	-	-	-	-	26	-
Loans and receivables from financial i	institutions i	at amortised co	st (note 7)							
Stage 1	99	3	(6)	(86)	-	-	-	-	10	-
Stage 3	92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	92	-
Total	191	3	(6)	(86)	-	-	-	-	102	-
Loans and receivables from customer	s at amortis	sed cost (note 8	)							
Stage 1	10,629	4,868	(876)	(2,143)	(1,256)	(17)	-	1	11,206	-
Stage 2	32,021	5,473	(2,470)	(1,874)	256	(328)	-	1	33,079	-
Stage 3	139,924	1,760	(3,828)	(3,468)	10,648	1,121	(38,837)	3,998	111,318	(1,723)
POCI	5,865	-	-	(1,427)	-	-	-	(10)	4,428	-
Total	188,439	12,101	(7,174)	(8,912)	9,648	776	(38,837)	3,990	160,031	(1,723)
Debt securities at amortised cost (note	e 9)									
Stage 1	382	59	(8)	(88)	-	-	-	-	345	-
Total	382	59	(8)	(88)	-	-	-	-	345	-
Provisions for off-balance sheet risks										
Stage 1	1,632	315	(257)	(627)	(211)	-	-	1	853	-
Stage 2	2,361	558	(308)	59	19	(4)	-	-	2,685	-
Stage 3	613	68	(38)	(54)	13	27	-	-	629	-
POCI	91	-	-	46	-	-	-	-	137	-
Total	4,697	941	(603)	(576)	(179)	23	-	1	4,304	-
Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks	193,750	13,104	(7,805)	(9,663)	9,469	799	(38,837)	3,991	164,808	(1,723)

<sup>\*</sup> reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks

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(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2018	Due to origination * dere	Due to ecognition *	Due to change in credit risk without transfer between Stages (change in PD/LGD/EAD) *	Due to change in credit risk with transfer between Stages *	Due to modification (forborne) *	Due to write-offs/ ceding	Movements in GCA	31 Dec 2018 Re	ecoveries *
Loans and receivables from cust	omers at amortis	ed cost (note 8)		,						
Public administration	199	7	(17)	(75)	(2)	-	-	-	112	-
Stage 1	49	5	(1)	(35)	-	-	-	-	18	-
Stage 2	12	-	(3)	(7)	(2)	-	-	-	-	-
Stage 3	138	2	(13)	(33)	-	-	-	-	94	-
Corporate	79,176	3,777	(1,204)	(3,946)	633	163	(7,281)	25	71,343	(88)
Stage 1	5,172	2,201	(250)	(606)	(754)	(2)	-	1	5,762	-
Stage 2	5,660	946	(246)	(789)	655	(113)	-	1	6,114	-
Stage 3	62,479	630	(708)	(1,124)	732	278	(7,281)	33	55,039	(88)
POCI	5,865	-	-	(1,427)	-	-	-	(10)	4,428	-
Retail	109,064	8,317	(5,953)	(4,891)	9,017	613	(31,556)	3,965	88,576	(1,635)
Stage 1	5,408	2,662	(625)	(1,502)	(502)	(15)	-	-	5,426	-
Stage 2	26,349	4,527	(2,221)	(1,078)	(397)	(215)	-	-	26,965	-
Stage 3	77,307	1,128	(3,107)	(2,311)	9,916	843	(31,556)	3,965	56,185	(1,635)
Mortgage loans	24,893	307	(1,924)	(547)	845	86	(7,072)	737	17,325	(14)
Stage 1	326	80	(54)	(38)	9	(1)	-	-	322	
Stage 2	4,148	196	(489)	25	34	(4)	-	-	3,910	-
Stage 3	20,419	31	(1,381)	(534)	802	91	(7,072)	737	13,093	(14)
Consumer loans	17,432	986	(593)	(344)	1,739	47	(9,040)	(53)	10,174	(880)
Stage 1	507	331	(157)	(124)	(45)	(1)	-	-	511	-
Stage 2	1,921	514	(212)	(258)	83	(10)	-	-	2,038	-
Stage 3	15,004	141	(224)	38	1,701	58	(9,040)	(53)	7,625	(880)
Credit cards	2,914	96	(101)	35	234	-	(1,587)	(11)	1,580	(139)
Stage 1	24	10	(4)	2	(1)	-	-	-	31	
Stage 2	530	68	(43)	25	14	-	-	-	594	-
Stage 3	2,360	18	(54)	8	221	-	(1,587)	(11)	955	(139)
Overdrafts	4,065	281	(274)	49	286	1	(2,046)	(4)	2,358	(84)
Stage 1	31	13	(11)	2	-	1	-	-	36	
Stage 2	820	123	(108)	44	(11)	-	-	-	868	-
Stage 3	3,214	145	(155)	3	297	-	(2,046)	(4)	1,454	(84)
MicroSME	41,026	3,652	(1,776)	(2,295)	4,788	430	(10,130)	2,944	38,639	(68)
Stage 1	2,009	569	(232)	(147)	(340)	(14)	-	-	1,845	
Stage 2	13,532	2,833	(1,028)	(15)	185	(201)	-	-	15,306	-
Stage 3	<i>25,485</i>	250	(516)	(2, 133)	4,943	645	(10, 130)	2,944	21,488	(68)
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	7,067	127	(328)	407	720	-	(191)	352	8,154	(6)
Stage 1	344	80	(49)	(57)	(8)	-	-	-	310	
Stage 2	2,114	17	(190)	21	290	-	-	-	2,252	-
Stage 3	4,609	30	(89)	443	438	-	(191)	352	5,592	(6)
ČSOB Leasing Group	11,667	2,868	(957)	(2,196)	405	49	(1,490)	-	10,346	(444)
Stage 1	2,167	1,579	(118)	(1,140)	(117)	-	-	-	2,371	
Stage 2	3,284	776	(151)	(920)	(992)	-	-	-	1,997	-
Stage 3	6,216	513	(688)	(136)	1,514	49	(1,490)	-	5,978	(444)
Total	188,439	12,101	(7,174)	(8,912)	9,648	776	(38,837)	3,990	160,031	(1,723)

<sup>\*</sup> reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks

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As at 31 December 2018, other impairment losses were as follows.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2018	Use	Creation/ (Release) *	31 Dec 2018
Property and equipment	1,845	163	(123)	1,885
Other assets	802	318	(595)	525
Total	2,647	481	(718)	2,410

<sup>\*</sup> reported in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks

The table below shows GCA of Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost transferred between stages in 2018.

(EUR '000)	From Stage 1	From Stage 2	From Stage 3	Total
To Stage 1	-	156,196	841	157,037
To Stage 2	412,757	-	11,917	424,674
To Stage 3	14,102	19,254	-	33,356
Total	426,859	175,450	12,758	615,067

As at 31 December 2017, Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks were as follows.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2017	Use (mainly receivables written off/ ceded) *		Other adjustments	31 Dec 2017
Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sho	eet risks				
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	120	-	(6)	-	114
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	137,875	(12,051)	11,555	466	137,845
Public administration	423	-	(237)	(19)	167
Corporate	70,156	(7,586)	5,005	(652)	66,923
Retail	67,296	(4,465)	6,787	1,137	70,755
Mortgage loans	18,210	(536)	(588)	568	17,654
Consumer loans	11,427	(724)	1,329	163	12,195
Credit cards	1,760	(55)	2	42	1,749
Overdrafts	3,006	(362)	(75)	(14)	2,555
Micro-SME	21,423	(2,179)	4,967	378	24,589
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	3,464	(109)	1,161	-	4,516
ČSOB Leasing Group	8,006	(500)	(9)	-	7,497
Available-for-sale financial assets (note 6)	758	(118)	25	-	665
Held-to-maturity investments (note 10)	28	-	1	-	29
Property and equipment	1,666	-	179	-	1,845
Assets held for sale	232	(232)	-	-	-
Other assets (note 14)	267	(38)	573	-	802
Provisions for off-balance sheet risks	1,826	-	(172)	-	1,654
Total	142,772	(12,439)	12,155	466	142,954

<sup>\*</sup> including income from recovery of assets previously written off

# 16 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition		
Current accounts – banks	-	12,055
Term deposits – non-bank customers	37,624	45,662
Debt securities issued	7,680	13,848
Financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition	45,304	71,565
Financial liabilities held for trading		
Financial trading derivatives (note 34)	11,854	9,623
Financial liabilities held for trading	11,854	9,623
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	57,158	81,188

Financial liabilities, which are designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition, are a part of dealing room portfolio. ČSOB Group monitors, manages, evaluates and reports them at fair value basis.

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## 17 Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Current accounts - banks	30,513	19,294
Term deposits and loans received from banks and multilateral banks	1,003,443	826,940
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost	1,033,956	846,234

As at 31 December 2018 loans received from banks in the amount of EUR 222,988 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 223,901 thousand) were secured by:

- government debt securities in the portfolio Debt securities at amortised cost with net carrying amount of EUR 186,390 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 186,486 thousand in portfolio Held-to-maturity investments) and market value of EUR 221,818 thousand (31 December 2017: 224,696 thousand in portfolio Held-to-maturity investments), see note 9 and 10;
- cash in portfolio Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost of EUR 4,410 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 0), see note 7.

#### 18 Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Current accounts – customers	3,341,908	2,946,846
Current accounts – government bodies and funds	145,164	123,990
Term deposits and saving accounts – customers	2,453,484	2,638,548
Term deposits and saving accounts – government bodies	264,024	243,142
Other amounts owed to customers	73,688	99,637
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	6,278,268	6,052,163

### 19 Debt securities issued at amortised cost

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Bills of exchange	1,947	5,092
Bank bonds	949,801	780,292
Mortgage bonds	418,495	488,473
Investment certificates	1,885	-
Debt securities issued at amortised cost	1,372,128	1,273,857

All bonds are subject to the issuance term and conditions, security prospect, bonds law and securities and investment services law. There are no pre-emptive rights, exchange rights or any other advantage. All securities under Mortgage bonds category listed below are issued in book-entry form. The tables below show the structure of investment certificates, mortgage bonds and bank bonds as at 31 December 2018.

Issue name	Issue date	Cur- rency	Coupon payment date	Interest rate fix/float	Initial nominal value 1 item (EUR)	No. of items	Total value of issue (EUR '000)	Net book value at 31 Dec 2018 (EUR '000)	Maturity
Investment certi	ficates								
ČSOB IC SD3E 67 2023	Dec 18	EUR	14 Jun, 14 Dec half-yearly	Zero coupon	1,000.00	1,885	1,885	1,885	Dec 23
Total								1,885	
Mortgage bonds	3								
ČSOB XIII.	Nov 11	EUR	7 Nov, yearly	5.50%	10,000.00	2,500	25,000	25,207	Nov 31
ČSOB XIX.	Jul 12	EUR	9 Jul, yearly	4.70%	10,000.00	2,500	25,000	24,979	Jul 36
ČSOB XXIV.	Feb 15	EUR	27 Feb, yearly	1.60%	1,000.00	8,977	8,977	9,098	Feb 19
ČSOB XXV.	Jun 15	EUR	26 Jun, yearly	0.40%	10,000.00	5,000	50,000	49,818	Jun 20
ČSOB XXVI.	Nov 15	EUR	30 Nov, yearly	0.60%	10,000.00	5,000	50,000	50,147	Nov 20
ČSOB XXVII.	Mar 16	EUR	17 Mar, yearly	0.50%	10,000.00	5,000	50,000	50,275	Mar 21
ČSOB XXVIII.	Jul 16	EUR	11 Jul, yearly	0.20%	10,000.00	2,500	25,000	25,033	Jul 19
ČSOB XXIX.	Sep 16	EUR	27 Sep, yearly	0.30%	10,000.00	4,300	43,000	43,115	Sep 21
ČSOB XXX.	Mar 17	EUR	29 Mar, yearly	0.50%	10,000.00	4,800	48,000	48,006	Mar 22
ČSOB XXXI.	Jun 17	EUR	28 Jun, yearly	0.50%	10,000.00	4,300	43,000	43,170	Jun 22
ČSOB XXXII.	Nov 17	EUR	28 Nov, yearly	0.60%	10,000.00	4,950	49,500	49,647	Nov 22
Total								418,495	

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Issue name	Issue date	Cur- rency	Coupon payment date	Interest rate fix/float	Initial nominal value 1 item (EUR)	No. of items	Total value of issue (EUR '000)	Net book value at 31 Dec 2018 (EUR '000)	Maturity
Bank bonds									
ČSOB I.	Mar 15	EUR	-	Zero coupon	1,000.00	10,000	10,000	9,588	Mar 21
ČSOB II. *	Oct 15	EUR	5 Oct, yearly	2.50%	1,000.00	4,782	1,196	1,215	Oct 19
ČSOB III. **	Sep 16	EUR	9 Sep, yearly	1.60%	1,000.00	3,924	1,962	1,997	Sep 20
ČSOB Leasing Float 2019	Dec 15	EUR	3 Mar, 3 Jun, 3 Sep, 3 Dec, quarterly	3M Euribor +0.50%	100,000.00	1,600	160,000	160,770	Dec 19
ČSOB Leasing Float 2021	Dec 16	EUR	3 Mar, 3 Jun, 3 Sep, 3 Dec, quarterly	3M Euribor +0.50%	100,000.00	2,100	210,000	213,155	Dec 21
ČSOB Leasing Fix 2023	Dec 16	EUR	3 Jun 3 Dec, half- yearly	0.57%	100,000.00	400	40,000	29,914	Dec 23
ČSOB Leasing Float 2023	Dec 18	EUR	3 Mar, 3 Jun, 3 Sep, 3 Dec, quarterly	3M Euribor +0,50%	100,000.00	5,200	520,000	533,162	Dec 23

The tables below show the structure of mortgage bonds and bank bonds as at 31 December 2017.

Issue name	Issue date	Curre ncy	Coupon payment date	Interest rate fix/float	Initial nominal value 1 item (EUR)	No. of items	Total value of issue (EUR '000)	Net book value at 31 Dec 2017 (EUR '000)	Maturity
Mortgage bond	ls								
ČSOB XIII.	Nov 11	EUR	7 Nov, yearly	5.50%	10,000.00	2,500	25,000	25,207	Nov 31
ČSOB XIX.	Jul 12	EUR	9 Jul, yearly	4.70%	10,000.00	2,500	25,000	24,959	Jul 36
ČSOB XXII.	May 14	EUR	30 May, yearly	1.20%	10,000.00	5,500	55,000	55,401	May 18
ČSOB XXIII.	Nov 14	EUR	27 Nov, yearly	1.65%	1,000.00	14,130	14,130	14,152	Nov 18
ČSOB XXIV.	Feb 15	EUR	27 Feb, yearly	1.60%	1,000.00	9,468	9,468	9,596	Feb 19
ČSOB XXV.	Jun 15	EUR	26 Jun, yearly	0.40%	10,000.00	5,000	50,000	49,628	Jun 20
ČSOB XXVI.	Nov 15	EUR	30 Nov, yearly	0.60%	10,000.00	5,000	50,000	50,210	Nov 20
ČSOB XXVII.	Mar 16	EUR	17 Mar, yearly	0.50%	10,000.00	5,000	50,000	50,310	Mar 21
ČSOB XXVIII.	Jul 16	EUR	11 Jul, yearly	0.20%	10,000.00	2,500	25,000	25,050	Jul 19
ČSOB XXIX.	Sep 16	EUR	27 Sep, yearly	0.30%	10,000.00	4,300	43,000	43,145	Sep 21
ČSOB XXX.	Mar 17	EUR	29 Mar, yearly	0.50%	10,000.00	4,800	48,000	47,951	Mar 22
ČSOB XXXI.	Jun 17	EUR	28 Jun, yearly	0.50%	10,000.00	4,300	43,000	43,186	Jun 22
ČSOB XXXII.	Nov 17	EUR	28 Nov, yearly	0.60%	10,000.00	4,950	49,500	49,678	Nov 22
Total								488,473	

<sup>\*</sup>Nominal value of the bond is payable annually as 25% of the initial nominal value. The coupon is set as a given year fix rate of the remaining nominal value. The fix rate equals 0.50% p.a., 1.30% p.a., 1.90% p.a., and 2.50% p.a. for the year 1, 2, 3, 4, respectively.

\*\*Nominal value of the bond is payable annually as 25% of the initial nominal value. The coupon is set as a given year fix rate of the remaining nominal value. The fix rate equals 0.40% p.a., 0.80% p.a., 1.60% p.a., and 2.80% p.a. for the year 1, 2, 3, 4, respectively.

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Issue name	Issue date	Cur- rency	Coupon payment date	Interest rate fix/float	Initial nominal value 1 item (EUR)	No. of items	Total value of issue (EUR '000)	Net book value at 31 Dec 2017 (EUR '000)	Maturity
Bank bonds									
ČSOB I.	Mar 15	EUR	-	Zero coupon	1,000.00	10,000	10,000	9,403	Mar 21
ČSOB II. *	Oct 15	EUR	5 Oct, yearly	1.90%	1,000.00	4,810	2,405	2,444	Oct 19
ČSOB III. **	Sep 16	EUR	9 Sep, yearly	0.80%	1,000.00	3,957	2,968	3,000	Sep 20
ČSOB Leasing Float 2018	Dec 13	EUR	13 Jun and 13 Dec, half-yearly	3M Euribor	100,000.00	3,500	350,000	349,909	Dec 18
ČSOB Leasing Fix 2018	Dec 13	EUR	3 Mar, 3 Jun, 3 Sep, 3 Dec, quarterly	1.34%	100,000.00	320	32,000	4,203	Dec 18
ČSOB Leasing Float 2019	Dec 15	EUR	3 Mar, 3 Jun, 3 Sep, 3 Dec, quarterly	3M Euribor +0.50%	100,000.00	1,600	160,000	161,584	Dec 19
ČSOB Leasing Float 2021	Dec 16	EUR	3 Mar. 3 Jun, 3 Sep, 3 Dec, quarterly	3M Euribor +0.50%	100,000.00	2,100	210,000	214,233	Dec 21
ČSOB Leasing Fix 2023	Dec 16	EUR	3 Jun, 3 Dec, half-yearly	0.57%	100,000.00	400	40,000	35,516	Dec 23
Total								780,292	

<sup>\*</sup> Nominal value of the bond is payable annually as 25% of the initial nominal value. The coupon is set as a given year fix rate of the remaining nominal value. The fix rate equals 0.50% p.a., 1.30% p.a., 1.90% p.a., and 2.50% p.a. for the year 1, 2, 3, 4, respectively.

The issuer and the owner of the ČSOB Leasing bonds with the floating interest rates have the right to ask for the early redemption of the bond or a part of the bond. The notional of matured bonds should be at least EUR 5,000 thousand or multiple of EUR 5,000 thousand. The bond could be redeemed upon any coupon payment with 3 months notice.

#### 20 Subordinated debt

ČSOB Group has received a debt of a specific nature from the parent company KBC with the amortised cost of EUR 87,551 thousand as of 31 December 2018 (31 December 2017: EUR 87,543), interest rate 3M EURIBOR plus 1.70% p.a., and contractual maturity on 16 June 2027. The parties agreed that, after 5 years from loan initiation (after 16 June 2022) and then every next 3 months, the borrower can early repay the loan with the minimum amount of EUR 1,000 thousand or any EUR 1,000 thousand multiple. Refer to related parties' transactions (note 33).

The parties agreed that, in case of the borrower default or liquidation, the subordinated debt will be repaid only after all other borrower's obligations to clients and other creditors have been repaid, except for the obligations to the creditors, whose obligations include the same or similar subordinated clause.

#### 21 Provisions

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2018	Creation/ (Release)	Use	31 Dec 2018 *
Provision for litigation	5,397	2,038	(3,202)	4,233
Other provisions	162	(162)	-	-
Provisions	5,559	1,876	(3,202)	4,233

<sup>\*</sup> Provisions total does not include provision for off-balance sheet risks which is presented in note 15.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2017	Creation	Use	31 Dec 2017 *
Provision for litigation	5,140	259	(2)	5,397
Other provisions	412	-	(250)	162
Provisions	5,552	259	(252)	5,559

<sup>\*</sup> Provisions total does not include provision for off-balance sheet risks which is presented in note 15.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Nominal value of the bond is payable annually as 25% of the initial nominal value. The coupon is set as a given year fix rate of the remaining nominal value. The fix rate equals 0.40% p.a., 0.80% p.a., 1.60% p.a., and 2.80% p.a. for the year 1, 2, 3, 4, respectively.

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### 21.1 Provision for litigation

ČSOB Group conducted a review of legal proceedings outstanding against it as at 31 December 2018. These matters have arisen from normal banking activities. With reference to the update on the status of these matters in terms of the risk of losses and the amounts claimed, ČSOB Group has decreased the provision for these legal cases by a net amount of EUR 1,164 thousand (31 December 2017: increase of EUR 257 thousand). As at 31 December 2018, this provision amounts to EUR 4,233 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 5,397 thousand). The gain/ (loss) from release/creation of the provision for legal cases is presented in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Other operating result".

#### 22 Other liabilities

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Other financial liabilities		
Accrued non-interest charges	8,439	8,164
Hedging derivatives (note 34)	8,366	3,847
Other financial liabilities	29,160	23,887
Other financial liabilities	45,965	35,898
Other non-financial liabilities		
Employee benefits and other employee funds	3,110	2,982
of which: benefits paid on retirement	995	973
length of service benefits	352	329
anniversary benefits	201	208
Wages and social security charges	14,981	15,220
Income received in advance	675	1,015
Other non-financial liabilities	18,766	19,217
Other liabilities	64,731	55,115

## 23 Overview of contingent liabilities

### 23.1 Contingent liabilities

(EUR '000)	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	POCI	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Credit facilities issued but not drawn	1,271,082	156,085	715	-	1,427,882	1,239,362
Financial guarantees given	173,518	54,170	498	282	228,468	236,111
Letters of credit given	14,634	-	40	-	14,674	3,702
Other *	1,639	-	-	-	1,639	1,015
Contingent Liabilities	1,460,873	210,255	1,253	282	1,672,663	1,480,190

<sup>\*</sup> Commencing on 1 January 2015, ČSOB Group is required to participate in the resolution process by paying financial contributions to European Resolution Fund. As at 31 December 2018, Irrevocable payment commitment to European Resolution Fund (15% of the cumulative annual contributions) is recognized in the amount of EUR 1,639 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 1,015 thousand).

Provisions for off-balance sheet risk are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under Provisions. See note 15.

(EUR '000)	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	POCI	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Credit facilities issued but not drawn	(771)	(2,468)	(129)	-	(3,368)	(698)
Financial guarantees given	(53)	(217)	(498)	(137)	(905)	(951)
Letters of credit given	(29)	-	(2)	-	(31)	(5)
Provisions for off-balance sheet risk	(853)	(2,685)	(629)	(137)	(4,304)	(1,654)

Bank guarantees and letters of credit cover liabilities to customers (payment and non-payment liabilities) against beneficiaries (third parties). Bank guarantees represent an irrevocable liability on the part of ČSOB Group to pay a certain amount as stated in bank guarantee if the debtor fails to fulfil an obligation or other conditions as stated in the guarantee.

A letter of credit represents a written obligation on the part of ČSOB Group to perform according to the instruction of the buyer to pay a specified amount to the seller against the documents that meet the letter of credit requirements. ČSOB Group deals with the letters of credit subject to "Unified Rules and Customs for Documentary Letter-of-credit", in the version published by the International Chamber of Commerce.

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The primary purpose of these instruments is to ensure that funds are available as required. Guarantees and standby letters of credit, which represent irrevocable assurances that ČSOB Group will make payments if a customer cannot meet its obligations to third parties, carry the same credit risk as loans. Documentary and commercial letters of credit, which are written undertakings by ČSOB Group on behalf of a customer authorizing a third party to draw drafts on ČSOB Group up to a stipulated amount under specific terms and conditions, are collateralized by the underlying shipments of the goods to which they relate and, therefore, carry less risk than a direct borrowing.

Commitments to extend credit represent unused portions of authorizations to extend credit in the form of loans, quarantees or letters of credit. With respect to credit risk on commitments to extend credit, ČSOB Group is potentially exposed to loss in an amount equal to the total unused commitments. However, the probable amount of loss is less than the total unused commitments since most commitments to extend credit are contingent upon customers maintaining specific credit standards.

#### 23.2 **Operating leases**

The following table summarizes future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, other than the sale and lease-back arrangements, which are explained further below.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Not later than 1 year	945	1,324
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	347	456
Later than 5 years	366	-
Total	1,658	1,780
Minimum lease payments recognized as an expense for the year	1,785	795

The operating leases related to information technologies leased from KBC Group, are included in "Less than 1 year" in the amount of EUR 562 thousand (2017: EUR 604 thousand). They represent expected half-year lease payments according to the contractual notice period.

#### 23.3 Sale and lease-back arrangements

During the year 2018 ČSOB Group was a lessee in none operating lease-back agreement, an operating lease-back agreement for a 3-year period ended during the year 2017. As at 31 December 2017 the minimum lease payments recognized as an expense for the year was EUR 375 thousand.

#### 23.4 Lawsuits

In addition to the litigation for which provisions are created (note 21), ČSOB Group is named in and is defending several legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. The management of ČSOB Group does not believe that these legal actions will result in any material loss. Consequently, no provisions were created for these cases as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017.

#### 23.5 **Taxation**

The methodology of Slovak tax legislation and interpretation is still evolving. Consequently, in the current taxation environment, there is uncertainty concerning the interpretations and procedures that the respective tax authorities may apply in several areas. Due to this, ČSOB Group is obliged to develop its own interpretation of the tax legislation when setting up its plan and accounting standards. It is not possible to calculate the effect resulting from this uncertainty.

#### 24 **Equity**

The structure of shareholders of ČSOB Group is as follows.

% of share capital	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
KBC Bank NV	100,00%	100,00%
Total	100,00%	100,00%

#### 24.1 **Share capital**

KBC Bank NV, the parent company of ČSOB Group, decided during the year 2017 on the increase of share capital by issuance of new shares. ČSOB Group issued 1,416 ordinary shares with a nominal value of EUR 33,200 each.

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As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 authorized and fully paid share capital consists of 8,886 ordinary shares with a nominal amount of EUR 33,200 each. Share capital was registered with the Commercial Register in the full amount of EUR 295,015 thousand.

## 24.2 Share premium

Share premium represents the difference between the nominal number of shares and their issue price. As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 the Share premium amounted to EUR 484,726 thousand.

#### 24.3 Reserve funds

Under the Slovak Commercial Code, all companies are required to maintain a legal reserve fund to cover future adverse financial conditions. The legal reserve fund represents accumulated transfers from retained earnings. ČSOB Group is obliged to contribute an amount to the fund each year which is not less than 10% of its annual net profit until the aggregate amount reaches a minimum level equal to 20% of the issued share capital. The legal reserve fund is not available for distribution to shareholders and may be used only for compensation of losses incurred. As at 31 December 2018 ČSOB Group allocated EUR 9,402 thousand to the legal reserve fund. Thus, its value increased to EUR 59,003 thousand. As at 31 December 2017, ČSOB Group had the legal reserve fund of EUR 49,601 thousand.

#### 24.4 Revaluation reserve

Revaluation reserve on Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income as at 31 December 2018:

(EUR '000)	2018
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	
As at 1 January	16,073
IFRS 9 impact (note 2.27)	(6,687)
As at 1 January after IFRS 9 adoption	9,386
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	
Loss arising from the revaluation of debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	(3,149)
Cumulative loss from sale of debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	12
Impairment creation to debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	(15)
Income tax relating to items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	659
Items that cannot be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	2,140
Income tax relating to items that cannot be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	(449)
As at 31 December	8,584
As at 1 January	343
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As at 31 December	343
Revaluation reserve from Available-for-sale financial assets and cash flow hedge as at 31 Dec	ember 2017:
(EUR '000)	2017
Available-for-sale financial assets	
As at 1 January	17,927
Loss arising from the revaluation of Available-for-sale financial assets	(2,348)
Income tax relating to gain arising on the revaluation and disposals	494
As at 31 December	16,073
Cash flow hedge	
As at 1 January	300
Net gain arising on the revaluation	55
Income tax relating to gain arising on the revaluation	(12)
As at 31 December	343

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24.5 Other revaluation reserve

In 2007, KBC decided to transform the branch Československá obchodná banka, a.s., pobočka zahraničnej banky in SR into a separate legal entity with effect from 1 January 2008. Due to this, a reorganization reserve was created as a difference between the fair value of in-kind contribution to the equity of the new company and the predecessor entity carrying amounts. The fair value of the in-kind contribution was determined based on an expert opinion as at the date of formation of the new company. The reorganization reserve is presented within the equity of the new legal entity, as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, in the negative amount of EUR 216,162 thousand.

#### 24.6 Profit distribution

The profit distribution of ČSOB Group is as follows.

(EUR '000)	Attributable from profit	Attributable from profit for the year		
	2018 *	2017		
Addition to legal reserve fund	-	9,402		
Retained earnings	20,822	60,625		
Dividends	53,158	-		
Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the parent	73,980	70,027		

<sup>\*</sup> based on the proposed profit distribution

# 25 Information on segments

ČSOB Group distinguishes between the following segments.

# 25.1 Retail banking / Entrepreneurs and small companies ("MicroSME") / Private banking

Retail banking / Entrepreneurs and small companies ("MicroSME"): natural persons, entrepreneurs and companies with turnover below EUR 1.5 million.

Loan products: mortgages, consumer loans, credit cards and overdrafts, operating and investment loans, revolving loans, building loans of ČSOB Stavebná sporiteľňa, financing through ČSOB Leasing Group (lease, operating lease - SME, consumer loans).

Deposit products: current accounts and service packages, saving and term deposits, funds and savings programmes.

Retail banking offers electronic banking services and payments services (domestic, foreign, cash and non-cash transactions), investments of free financial sources of customers to portfolio of financial assets (saving and term deposits, mutual funds, life insurance and bills of exchange).

Private banking: customer with assets under management at ČSOB Group at the minimum level of EUR 200 thousand.

Products offered to private clients: current accounts, term and saving programs, funds, insurance products, bonds, bills of exchange, mortgage bonds, structured products, physical gold and other instruments of financial markets. Private banking clients can also invest into equities via the company Patria. Investment advisory is provided to private banking clients.

## 25.2 Corporate banking

Corporate banking: corporations with turnover above EUR 1.5 million and non-banking institutions in the financial sector.

Loan products: overdrafts, revolving loans, purpose loans, credit cards, specialized and trade finance, financing through ČSOB Leasing Group (lease, operating lease, consumer loans).

Deposit products: current accounts and service packages, term deposits, deposits with notice period.

Corporate banking offers services of electronic banking and payments services (domestic, foreign, cash and non-cash transactions). It also provides investments into short-term financial instruments, bonds and mutual funds.

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#### 25.3 Financial markets and ALM

Financial markets and ALM: segment of assets and liabilities management, segment dealing.

This segment performs the custody and management of securities, intermediation of purchase and sale of Slovak and foreign bonds on secondary markets, participation in subscription of shares in primary sale, purchase and sale of foreign currencies. The segment also offers structured products for investments of free financial sources.

ALM is responsible for management of assets, liabilities, interest rates, risk management (currency risk, interest risk, etc.) and management of the foreign exchange position of ČSOB Group.

#### **25.4** Other

**Other:** headquarters, banking and investment products (administration of bad debts), non-assigned net interest income, eliminations and non-material unallocated items.

For the year ended at and as at 31 December 2018 segment information is as follows:

(EUR '000)	Retail banking / MicroSME / Private banking	Corporate banking	Financial markets and ALM	Other	Total
Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income					
Net interest income	116,251	72,668	20,021	(2,438)	206,502
of which: Intersegment Net Interest Income/ (loss)	27,071	13,181	(32,225)	(8,027)	-
Net fee and commission income	45,004	21,960	510	2,006	69,480
Net trading result and exchange differences	1,524	561	4,957	(946)	6,096
Net realized result from Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	(12)	-	(12)
Net realized result from financial instruments measured at amortised cost	-	-	1,048	-	1,048
Dividend income	-	-	-	42	42
Income from operating lease	5,015	17,782	-	-	22,797
Expense from operating lease	(4,553)	(16,142)	-	-	(20,695)
Other operating result	493	494	45	(270)	762
Total income	163,734	97,323	26,569	(1,606)	286,020
Personnel expenses	(36,516)	(16,565)	(1,971)	(27,249)	(82,301)
Depreciation and amortisation	(3,429)	(815)	(158)	(9,132)	(13,534)
Other operating expenses	(29,348)	(8,590)	227	(52,509)	(90,220)
Operating expenses	(69,293)	(25,970)	(1,902)	(88,890)	(186,055)
Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks	(5,460)	1,423	44	530	(3,463)
Profit/ (loss) for the year before tax	88,981	72,776	24,711	(89,966)	96,502
Income tax expense					(22,522)
Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the parent					73,980
Total assets	4,437,516	3,003,105	2,103,598	212,005	9,756,224
Total liabilities and equity	3,933,769	3,353,875	1,557,438		9,756,224

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For the year ended at and as at 31 December 2017, reclassified segment information is as follows:

(EUR '000)	Retail banking / MicroSME / Private banking	Corporate banking	Financial markets and ALM	Other	Total
Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income					
Net interest income	123,963	62,701	18,197	948	205,809
of which: Intersegment Net Interest Income/ (loss)	29,167	14,050	(37,718)	(5,499)	-
Net fee and commission income	42,402	18,136	1,236	1,039	62,813
Net trading result and exchange differences	2,594	2,518	6,833	734	12,679
Net realized result from financial instruments measured at amortised cost	-	-	72	-	72
Dividend income	-	-	-	20	20
Income from operating lease	7,947	9,713	-	-	17,660
Expense from operating lease	(7,273)	(8,889)	-	-	(16,162)
Other operating result	1,875	1,764	35	2,290	5,964
Total income	171,508	85,943	26,373	5,031	288,855
Personnel expenses	(38,170)	(13,993)	(2,253)	(27,032)	(81,448)
Depreciation and amortisation	(3,819)	(785)	(114)	(8,839)	(13,557)
Other operating expenses	(34,456)	(6,913)	468	(49,320)	(90,221)
Operating expenses	(76,445)	(21,691)	(1,899)	(85,191)	(185,226)
Impairment losses and Provisions for off-balance sheet risks	(7,810)	(4,289)	(1)	(55)	(12,155)
Profit/ (loss) for the year before tax	87,253	59,963	24,473	(80,215)	91,474
Income tax expense					(21,447)
Net profit for the year attributable to owners of the parent					70,027
Total assets	4,328,033	2,526,319	2,120,052	246,597	9,221,001
Total liabilities and equity	3,854,898	3,190,925	1,391,599	783,579	9,221,001

Interest income/ expense and fee and commission income/ expense are not presented on a gross basis since ČSOB Group assesses the performance of the segments primarily based on the net interest income and net fee and commission income.

ČSOB Group operates in the Slovak Republic.

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#### 26 **Net interest income**

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017, Reclassified
Interest income		
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	360	353
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	176,377	177,180
Debt securities at amortised cost	43,177	n/a
Held-to-maturity investments	n/a	38,268
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	3,849	n/a
Available-for-sale financial assets	n/a	9,682
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value through profit or loss	6,074	5,587
Total	229,837	231,070
Similar interest income		
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (excluding derivatives)	1,517	536
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	561	462
Total	2,078	998
Interest expense		
Amounts owed to financial institutions and multilateral banks at amortised cost	(530)	(786)
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	(12,063)	(12,332)
Debt securities issued at amortised cost	(6,303)	(6,653)
Subordinated debt	(1,224)	(659)
Hedging derivatives	(4,414)	(4,616)
Financial assets not measured at fair value through profit or loss	(26)	(13)
Total	(24,560)	(25,059)
Similar interest expense		
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(843)	(1,199)
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(10)	(1)
Total	(853)	(1,200)
Net interest income	206,502	205,809

#### **27** Net fee and commission income

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017 Reclassified
Fee and commission income		
Securities related fees	27	376
Asset management services – trust and fiduciary activities, entry fees	6,352	5,963
Credit and guarantee related fees	12,179	11,388
Payment services fees	43,312	38,426
Distribution fees	14,698	12,938
Network income	4,525	3,641
Other	1,064	1,097
Fee and commission income	82,157	73,829
Fee and commission expense		
Securities related fees	(1,013)	(1,017)
Asset management services – trust and fiduciary activities, entry fees	(3)	-
Credit and guarantee related fees	(580)	(856)
Payment services fees	(7,426)	(6,074)
Distribution fees	(291)	(443)
Products insurance	(369)	(205)
Network expense	(2,048)	(1,217)
Other	(947)	(1,204)
Fee and commission expense	(12,677)	(11,016)
Net fee and commission income	69,480	62,813

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# 28 Net trading result and exchange differences

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017 Reclassified
Held for trading interest rate instruments	(4,858)	1,041
Held for trading foreign exchange instruments	7,505	9,919
Held for trading commodity instruments	26	36
Net result from Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	16	(223)
Net result from hedging derivatives	(5,057)	3,903
Net result from hedged items	6,039	(3,776)
Foreign exchange differences	2,425	1,779
Net trading result and exchange differences	6,096	12,679

# 29 Other operating result

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017, Reclassified
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(325)	(46)
Gain on disposal of Assets held for sale	1	105
Net income from rental	886	692
Creation of provisions for operating losses, claims and legal disputes regarding commercial activity	(2,038)	(259)
Losses from financial operations	(541)	(211)
Other operating activities	2,779	5,683
Other operating result	762	5,964

## 30 Personnel expenses

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Wages and salaries	(61,213)	(60,614)
Social security	(19,845)	(19,729)
of which: contributions to pension pillar I and pillar II	(9,563)	(8,737)
Pensions expenses	(510)	(513)
Other post-employment benefits	(95)	(181)
Other staff expenses	(638)	(411)
Personnel expenses	(82,301)	(81,448)

The number of employees of ČSOB Group as at 31 December 2018 was 2,639; thereof 313 managers (31 December 2017: 2,572 thereof 311 managers).

Remuneration to management is provided if accruals or other resources were created and the conditions of the Internal Remuneration Policy of ČSOB Group were met, mainly an annual bonus for ČSOB Group's performance based on the fulfilment of financial goals and the achievement of business goals and an individual bonus for employees based on the individual's performance measured by Key Performance Indicators.

Employees with whom employment was terminated in accordance with the organizational and rationalization steps stated in § 63 section 1 a) and b) of the Labour Code or whose employment was terminated by agreement are entitled to receive compensation payments in accordance with the conditions stated in the Labour Code. The conditions for compensation payments above the legal limit are included in the collective agreement. ČSOB Group also agreed with trade union on the social programme for employees with whom employment was terminated based on the above reasons.

ČSOB Group provides contributions to the supplementary pension scheme monthly for all its employees including senior management. The contribution of the employer and employee is calculated based on the monthly salary paid for working hours of a calendar month as follows:

- a) employer 1% of salary base if the employee's contribution is from 1% to 1.99% of salary base;
- b) employer 2% of salary base if the employee's contribution is 2% and more of salary base. The monthly salary base for purposes of the supplementary pension scheme is determined from the basic monthly salary paid for working hours in the calendar month.

ČSOB Group's remuneration policy is largely based on KBC Group's remuneration policy, which takes into account prevailing legislation (including but not limited to EBA guidelines on sound remuneration) and local legislation (Act on Banks No.483/2001).

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The performance-based remuneration of Key Identified Staff (KIS) is awarded in a manner which promotes sound risk management and does not induce excessive risk-taking. This is ensured by specific rules, which are applicable to the variable remuneration of KIS:

- the remuneration is composed of fixed and variable components. The variable remuneration component may not exceed half of the fixed component;
- b) part of the total amount (50%) of variable remuneration for KIS be awarded in the form of equity-related instruments;
- c) part of the variable remuneration awarded to KIS, may not be paid straightaway but its payment is to be spread over a number of years;
- d) condition for vesting of variable pay is fulfilment of company defined Risk criteria;
- e) fulfilment of the risk criteria is required for vesting the variable remuneration for that particular year and clawback/holdback provisions are put in place;
- f) to avoid conflicts of interest, the variable remuneration of KIS covering control functions must be limited and must not be based on the financial results of the company they are exerting their control functions on;
- g) staff members may not use personal hedging strategies or remuneration- and liability-related insurance to undermine the risk alignment effects embedded in their remuneration arrangements;
- h) no advance payments may be made in relation to the variable component.

# 31 Other operating expenses

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Information technology expenses	(30,107)	(29,729)
Rental expenses	(8,296)	(8,264)
Repair and maintenance	(2,780)	(2,760)
Marketing expenses	(8,249)	(9,290)
Professional fees	(3,982)	(3,863)
of which: Audit of Statutory Financial Statements	(443)	(309)
Services involving the issuance of an assurance report (other than on Statutory Financial Statements) *	(216)	(188)
Other services *	(4)	(11)
Other facilities expenses	(7,905)	(9,089)
Communication expenses	(114)	(104)
Travel expenses	(833)	(839)
Training and recruitment expenses	(641)	(540)
Personnel related expenses	(703)	(580)
Costs charged by other KBC Group entities (note 33)	(4,217)	(4,168)
Release of provisions for other operating expenses	162	-
Contributions to deposit protection funds	(336)	(314)
Bank levy	(15,070)	(14,387)
European Resolution Fund **	(3,541)	(2,972)
Other operating expenses	(3,608)	(3,322)
Other operating expenses	(90,220)	(90,221)

<sup>\*</sup> Non-audit services provided by the Auditor include trainings, HR benchmarking studies, assurance services over custody process, assurance and compliance reporting to NBS in accordance with the NBS guidance and confirmation of accuracy of receivables.

#### 32 Taxation

The income tax structure is as follows.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Current tax	17,003	18,227
Deferred tax	5,519	3,220
Total	22,522	21,447

<sup>\*\*</sup> Commencing 1 January 2015, ČSOB Group is required to participate in the resolution process by paying financial contributions to European Resolution Fund (note 23).

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Below is a reconciliation of income tax and the theoretical amount, applying the effective tax rate.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Profit for the year before tax	96,502	91,474
Tax rate	21%	21%
Tax expense calculated using applicable tax rates	20,265	19,210
Permanent differences between tax and accounting income	86	(125)
Permanent differences between tax and accounting expenses	2,171	2,362
Total	22,522	21,447

As at 31 December 2018, the deferred tax structure is as follows.

(EUR '000)	Temporary differences	Deferred income tax asset/ (liability)
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost – tax non-deductible impairment losses to customers	85,817	18,021
Employee benefits and accrual for unpaid bonuses	12,284	2,580
Tangible and intangible assets	(9,062)	(1,903)
Other	6,215	1,305
Provisions for risk and charges	4,944	1,038
Losses carried forward	2,385	501
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	(11,672)	(2,451)
Cash flow hedge	(435)	(91)
Total	90,476	19,000

As at 31 December 2017, the deferred tax structure is as follows.

(EUR '000)	Temporary differences	Deferred income tax asset/ (liability)
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost – tax non-deductible impairment losses to customers	86,426	18,149
Employee benefits and accrual for unpaid bonuses	12,855	2,700
Tangible and intangible assets	(6,635)	(1,393)
Other	5,850	1,228
Provisions for risk and charges	4,794	1,007
Losses carried forward	3,905	820
Available-for-sale financial assets	(20,344)	(4,273)
Cash flow hedge	(435)	(91)
Total	86,416	18,147

Reconciliation of the deferred tax structure as at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2018 is as follows.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2017	IFRS 9 impact	1 Jan 2018	Movement through other comprehensive income	Movement through profit or loss	31 Dec 2018
Deferred income tax asset/ (liability)	18,147	6,162	24,309	210	(5,519)	19,000

Impact of IFRS 9 FTA on the deferred tax structure is as follows.

	31 Dec 2017 IFRS 9 impact		RS 9 impact	1 Jan 2018		
(EUR '000)	Temporary differences	Deferred income tax asset/ (liability)	Temporary differences	Deferred income tax asset/ (liability)	Temporary differences	Deferred income tax asset/ (liability)
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost – tax non-deductible impairment losses to customers	86,426	18,149	21,667	4,550	108,093	22,699
Employee benefits and accrual for unpaid bonuses	12,855	2,700	-	-	12,855	2,700
Tangible and intangible assets	(6,635)	(1,393)	-	-	(6,635)	(1,393)
Other	5,850	1,228	-	-	5,850	1,228
Provisions for risk and charges	4,794	1,007	-	-	4,794	1,007
Losses carried forward	3,905	820	-	-	3,905	820
Available-for-sale financial assets	(20,344)	(4,273)	7,676	1,612	(12,668)	(2,661)
Cash flow hedge	(435)	(91)	-	-	(435)	(91)
Total	86,416	18,147	29,343	6,162	115,759	24,309

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33 Related parties

Parties are generally considered to be related if one party can control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions. ČSOB Group is controlled by KBC, which holds 100% of the voting rights of ČSOB Group's total votes. Related parties include other members of the KBC Group.

Several banking transactions are entered with related parties in the normal course of business. These primarily include loans and deposits.

Assets and liabilities from transactions with related parties were as follows.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec	2018	31 Dec 2017		
	<b>KBC Bank NV</b>	KBC Group	KBC Bank NV	KBC Group	
Other demand deposits with banks	1,220	660	13,051	1,539	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3,101	16	18,040	1,033	
of which: Financial trading derivatives	3,101	16	6,231	66	
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	22,281	-	2,610	81,788	
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	-	-	-	-	
Other assets	35	837	1,637	744	
of which: Hedging derivatives	35	-	1,637	-	
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	10,266	82	5,660	343	
of which: Financial trading derivatives	10,266	11	5,660	297	
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost	885,303	3,320	576,606	2,438	
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	-	43,478	-	111,193	
Debt securities issued at amortised cost	937,002	293,767	765,444	343,953	
Subordinated debt (note 20)	87,551	-	87,543	-	
Other liabilities	8,399	275	3,859	1,171	
of which: Hedging derivatives	8,366	_	3,847	-	

Income and expense from transactions with related parties were as follows.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec	2018	31 Dec 2017		
	<b>KBC Bank NV</b>	<b>KBC Group</b>	<b>KBC Bank NV</b>	<b>KBC Group</b>	
Interest income	11,897	5	10,371	526	
Similar interest income	248	910	140	87	
Fee and commission income	1,102	7,716	976	7,131	
Net trading result and exchange differences	17,503	2,587	(7,570)	(649)	
Net realized result from Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	(12)	n/a	n/a	
Net realized result from financial instruments measured at amortised cost	-	555	-	-	
Other operating result	-	2,474	-	1,467	
Interest expense	(6,877)	(1,975)	(6,084)	(2,388)	
Similar interest expense	-	(2)	(1)	-	
Fee and commission expense	(632)	(594)	(851)	(1)	
Other operating expenses	(836)	(16,608)	(384)	(15,502)	
of which: costs charged by other KBC Group entities *	(787)	(3,430)	(384)	(3,784)	

<sup>\*</sup> intercompany invoices from KBC Group consolidated entities insofar they cannot be classified in other blocks of "Other operating expenses" (note 31).

Terms of contracts with related parties:

- Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost maximum maturity until 2019 (2017: until 2018) and weighted average contractual interest rate (0.36%) (2017: (0.08%));
- Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost maximum maturity until 2023 (2017: until 2027) and weighted average contractual interest rate (0.07%) (2017: (0.19%));
- Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost maximum maturity until 2021 (2017: until 2021) and weighted average contractual interest rate 0.14% (2017: 0.17%);
- Debt securities issued at amortised cost maximum maturity until 2036 (2017: until 2036); weighted average fix contractual interest rate 0.58% (2017: 0.66%) and float contractual interest rate 3M EURIBOR +0.50% (2017: 3M EURIBOR + range 0.00% 0.50%).

As at 31 December 2018, total guarantees received (to Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost) from related parties represent EUR 39,034 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 26,095 thousand). As at 31 December 2018, guarantees given by ČSOB Group towards related parties are in the amount of EUR 11,737 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 6,484 thousand).

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As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, ČSOB Group did not create any provision for doubtful debts towards related parties.

## 33.1 Transactions with key management personnel

As at 31 December 2018, loans granted to members of the Board of Directors and Supervisory Board represent EUR 362 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 437 thousand). Deposits from members of the Board of Directors and Supervisory Board as at 31 December 2018 amounted to EUR 1,795 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 2,274 thousand).

Personnel expenses of senior management for the year ended 31 December 2018 were EUR 2,591 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 2,288 thousand). These personnel expenses include the total remuneration amounted to EUR 2,162 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 1,919 thousand) and social expenses amounted to EUR 429 thousand (31 December 2017: EUR 369 thousand) of members of the Board of Directors and Supervisory Board, which are regulated by the Internal Remuneration Policy of ČSOB Group.

#### 34 Derivative financial instruments

ČSOB Group uses derivative financial instruments for trading purposes and fair value hedging. Financial derivatives include swap, forward and option contracts. A swap agreement is a contract between two parties to exchange cash flows based on specified underlying notional amounts, assets and/or indices. Forward contracts are agreements to buy or sell a quantity of a financial instrument, index, currency or commodity at a predetermined future date and rate or price. An option contract is an agreement that confers on the holder the right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell a quantity of a financial instrument, index, currency or commodity at a predetermined rate or price at a time or over a period in the future.

#### 34.1 Credit risk associated with derivative financial instruments

By utilizing derivative financial instruments, ČSOB Group is exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance on the part of the counterparties to the derivative instruments. If the counterparty fails to perform, the credit risk is equal to the positive fair value of the derivatives agreed upon with that counterparty. When the fair value of a derivative is positive, ČSOB Group bears the risk of loss; conversely, when the fair value of a derivative is negative, the counterparty bears the risk of loss (or credit risk). ČSOB Group minimises credit risk through credit approvals, limits and monitoring procedures. In addition, ČSOB Group obtains collateral where appropriate and uses bilateral master netting arrangements and in 2017 has implemented the collateral management used for the collateralisation of trades on the financial markets - OTC derivatives and REPO operations. There are no significant credit risk exposures in trading derivatives outside of standard international investment banking which are considered by ČSOB Group as usual used in trading and managing banking risks.

The maximum credit risk on ČSOB Group's outstanding non-credit derivatives is measured as the cost of replacing their cash flows with positive fair value if the counterparties default, less the effects of the bilateral netting arrangements and the collateral held. ČSOB Group's actual credit exposures are less than the positive fair value amounts shown in the derivative tables, as netting arrangements and collateral have not been taken into consideration. See note 35.

## 34.2 Trading derivative financial instruments

The trading activities of ČSOB Group primarily involve providing its customers with various derivative products and managing trading positions on its own account. Trading derivatives also include those derivatives that are used for asset and liability management ("ALM") purposes to manage the currency or interest rate position of the banking book and which do not meet the criteria for hedge accounting. For these purposes, ČSOB Group uses single currency interest rate swaps to convert fixed rate assets to floating rates, cross-currency interest rate swaps for the transfer of cash flows in one currency to cash flows in another currency structure in such a way that their maturity meets the respective liabilities, or FX swaps to exchange a currency. ČSOB Group minimizes its market risk when option contracts are traded through back-to-back sales.

Trading derivatives are stated at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position under "Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" or "Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss". Changes in the fair value of derivatives are presented in the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income under "Net trading result and exchange differences". Interest income/expense related to derivative financial instruments is recognized under "Net trading result and exchange differences".

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The contract or notional amounts and positive and negative fair values of ČSOB Group's outstanding derivative trading positions as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 are shown below. The contract or nominal amounts represent the volume of outstanding transactions at one point in time; they do not represent the potential for gain or loss associated with the market risk or credit risk of such transactions.

(EUR '000)	Nominal v	alues	Fair values	
Trading derivatives as at 31 Dec 2018	Receivables	Liabilities	Positive	Negative
Equity contracts				
Equity swaps	3,770	3,770	60	60
FX contracts				
FX forwards	3,581	3,678	19	81
FX swaps and Cross-currency interest rate swaps	277,899	277,902	1,301	1,254
FX options	86,328	86,328	420	415
Interest rate contracts				
Interest rate swaps	1,953,577	1,953,577	5,245	8,537
Interest rate options	61,764	61,764	232	1,502
Commodity contracts				
Commodity swaps and options	451	451	16	5
Trading derivatives (note 4 and 16)	2,387,370	2,387,470	7,293	11,854

(EUR '000)	Nominal v	Nominal values		
Trading derivatives as at 31 Dec 2017	Receivables	Liabilities	Positive	Negative
FX contracts				
FX forwards	5,207	5,207	46	7
FX swaps and Cross-currency interest rate swaps	405,229	405,070	1,769	1,852
FX options	109,985	109,985	412	412
Interest rate contracts				
Interest rate swaps	1,409,344	1,409,344	6,055	4,893
Interest rate options	81,793	81,793	342	2,389
Commodity contracts				
Commodity swaps and options	1,668	1,668	79	70
Trading derivatives (note 4 and 16)	2,013,226	2,013,067	8,703	9,623

## 34.3 Hedging derivative financial instruments

ČSOB Group applies the portfolio hedging of fair value related to interest rate risk. ČSOB Group's strategy is to hedge net interest income generated from interest-bearing assets and liabilities against unexpected movements in market interest rates. The aim is also a stable development of expenses and income from market revaluation of balance sheet and off-balance sheet transactions.

The hedged item represents a portfolio of fixed interest loans and receivables from customers and the hedging instrument is a portfolio of interest rate swaps, in which ČSOB Group pays fixed and receives floating interest rate. As at 31 December 2018, the hedge was effective in hedging the fair value exposure to interest rate movements. ČSOB Group recognized a loss on hedging instruments in the amount of EUR (5,057) thousand (31 December 2017: gain of EUR 3,903 thousand) and a gain on hedged item attributable to the hedged risk amounted of EUR 6,039 thousand (31 December 2017: loss of EUR (3,776) thousand), which are presented under "Net trading result and exchange differences". See note 28 and 2.10.

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The table below shows the information about fair value hedge as at 31 December 2018.

(EUR '000)	Portfolio hedge of Interest rate risk
Hedging instrument	Interest rate swaps
Nominal amount purchased	1,985,000
Nominal amount sold	1,985,000
Carrying amount assets (note 14)	35
Carrying amount liabilities (note 22)	8,366
Change in fair value of hedging instruments used as basis for recognising hedge ineffectiveness for the period (note 28)	(5,057)
Hedged item	Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost
Carrying value total	1,990,792
of which: accumulated fair value adjustment (note 14)	5,792
Change in fair value of hedged item used as basis for recognising hedge ineffectiveness for the period (note 28)	6,039

The contract or notional amounts and positive and negative fair values of ČSOB Group's outstanding hedging derivative positions as at 31 December 2017 are shown below.

(EUR '000)	Nominal v	Nominal values		Fair values	
Hedging derivatives as at 31 Dec 2017	Receivables	Liabilities	Positive	Negative	
Interest rate swaps	1,645,000	1,645,000	1,637	3,847	
Hedging derivatives (note 14 and 22)	1,645,000	1,645,000	1,637	3,847	

# 35 Offsetting financial assets and liabilities

The tables below show the financial assets subject to offsetting, enforceable master netting agreements or similar agreements.

				Related a	mounts no	t offset	
(EUR '000)	Gross amounts of financial assets	Gross amounts of financial assets offset		Financial instruments	Cash collateral received	Securities collateral received	Net amount
31 Dec 2018							
Derivatives (note 34)	7,329	-	7,329	3,632	-	-	3,697
31 Dec 2017							
Derivatives (note 34)	10,340	-	10,340	8,009	-	-	2,331

The tables below show the financial liabilities subject to offsetting, enforceable master netting agreements or similar agreements.

				Related a	mounts no	t offset	
(EUR '000)	Gross amounts of financial liabilities	Gross amounts of financial liabilities offset	Net amounts of financial liabilities	Financial instruments	collateral	Securities collateral pledged	Net amount
31 Dec 2018							
Derivatives (note 34)	20,220	-	20,220	3,633	15,496	-	1,091
Repurchase agreements (note 17)	222,988	-	222,988	-	4,410	218,578	-
Total 31 Dec 2018	243,208	-	243,208	3,633	19,906	218,578	1,091
31 Dec 2017							
Derivatives (note 34)	13,470	-	13,470	8,009	1,948	-	3,513
Repurchase agreements (note 17)	223,901	-	223,901	-	-	186,486	37,415
Total 31 Dec 2017	237,371	-	237,371	8,009	1,948	186,486	40,928

## 36 Fair value of assets and liabilities

The 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. Where market prices were available, these were used in measurement; otherwise internal valuation models were applied, especially the discounted cash flow method.

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ČSOB Group uses the following hierarchy for the determination and presentation of the fair value of financial instruments

Level 1 – If available, published price quotations in active markets are used to determine the fair value of financial assets and liabilities. Revaluation is obtained using prices of identical asset or liability, which means that no model is involved in the process of revaluation. Fair values of the financial assets and liabilities that are traded in active markets are based on the quoted market prices or based on the prices declared by dealers. For fair value determination of other financial instruments, valuation techniques are used.

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

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

The classification of the financial instrument into the fair value hierarchy is not static. Financial instruments can shift between different fair value levels for various reasons:

- Market changes: The market can become inactive (shift from Level 1 to Level 2 or 3). As a result, previously observable parameters can become unobservable (possible shift from Level 2 to Level 3);
- Model changes: The application of a new refined model that takes more observable input factors into account or reduces the fair value impact of unobservable inputs (possible shift from Level 3 to Level 2);
- Change in sensitivity: The sensitivity of a valuation input to the entire fair values may change over time. An unobservable input that used to be significant to the entire fair value measurement may become insignificant (or vice versa). The fair value classification in the hierarchy would consequently change from Level 3 to Level 2 (or vice versa).

As the fair value of the financial instrument is dynamic, ČSOB Group regularly evaluates the changes in observability of significant inputs when measuring the financial instrument.

The best indicator of fair value is the price from an active market. If there are quoted prices on the market, fair values are based upon the quoted market prices. External sources of information (i.e. prices from stock exchange or price bids from brokers) are generally used for fair value determination. If no quoted market prices are available, fair values are estimated based on valuation methods which use observable external inputs.

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

If no valuation model is available or a valuation model is available, but it is not validated by an entity, independent from the business unit, third party prices must be used for determining the fair value of financial instruments. The observability of the parameters used in the third party's model cannot be assessed, in case ČSOB Group does not have any access to information on that model. From this perspective, instruments for which the fair value is based on prices, provided by a party that is independent from ČSOB Group (a third party), are classified into Level 3.

The Market Risk and Capital Management Section and Finance Division have responsibility for the determination of the valuation methods of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. The main task of Finance Division is to objectively and independently assess whether the valuation is in accordance with IFRS and is properly used.

The Market Risks and Capital Management Section is also responsible for controlling the process of parameters used in valuation techniques and monitoring the correct implementation of valuation methods on a quarterly basis as the part of the Parameter review process. The results of the Parameter review are afterwards reported to the senior management of ČSOB Group. In addition, based on these results, possible changes are defined and implemented in the valuation methodology. Implementation of valuation methods is performed by the Financial Market Middle Office Section. All responsibilities are organized in such a manner as to guarantee the independence of the entire valuation process. A valuation methodology and the exceptions in the valuation process must be submitted for approval to the Market risk and Capital Management Section and to the Board of Directors.

The following methods and assumptions were applied in estimating the fair values of ČSOB Group's financial assets and liabilities.

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#### 36.1 Fair values of financial assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost

The following table shows the hierarchy levels for determining the fair value of financial assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost (including contingent commitments) as at 31 December 2018 and comparison with carrying amount.

		Fair v	/alue		Carrying amount
(EUR '000)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Total
Financial assets					
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks	211,184	-	29,051	240,235	240,235
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	-	-	35,323	35,323	36,516
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	-	-	7,283,397	7,283,397	7,115,588
Debt securities at amortised cost	1,790,370	159,780	-	1,950,150	1,820,495
Total financial assets				9,509,105	9,212,834
Financial liabilities					
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost	-	578,283	452,291	1,030,574	1,033,956
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	-	6,017,813	264,059	6,281,872	6,278,268
Debt securities issued at amortised cost	-	1,386,516	-	1,386,516	1,372,128
Subordinated debt	-	-	87,551	87,551	87,551
Total financial liabilities				8,786,513	8,771,903

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		Fair v	/alue		Carrying amount
(EUR '000)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Total
Financial assets					
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks Loans and receivables from financial institutions at	231,054	-	51,935	282,989	282,991
amortised cost	-	-	102,181	102,181	102,103
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	-	2,736	6,728,630	6,731,366	6,576,276
Held-to-maturity investments	1,526,355	110,746	-	1,637,101	1,491,743
Total financial assets				8,753,637	8,453,113
Financial liabilities					
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost	-	423,282	423,877	847,159	846,234
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	_	5,770,946	285,267	6,056,213	6,052,163
Debt securities issued	_	1,286,596	_	1,286,596	1,273,857
Subordinated debt	_	-	87,918	87,918	87,543
Total financial liabilities				8,277,886	8,259,797

# 36.1.1 Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost and Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks

The carrying values of cash balances are, by definition, equal to their fair values. The fair values of term placements with banks and central bank and other demand deposits with banks are estimated by discounting their future cash flows using the current inter-bank market rates including the respective credit spread derived from ČSOB Group's own experience of probability of default and loss given default. Most of loans are repaid within a relatively short time periods; it is assumed, therefore, that their carrying values approximate to their fair values.

#### 36.1.2 Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost

The fair values of fixed-rate loans to customers that relate to the substantial part of ČSOB Group's loan portfolio are estimated by discounting their future cash flows using the current market rates including a respective credit spread derived from ČSOB Group's own experience of probability of default and loss given default. Fair value incorporates expected future losses, while amortised cost and related impairment include only incurred losses at the end of the accounting period. The rest of loans and receivables from customers is concluded for floating rates that are fixed for a relatively short period; it is assumed, therefore, that their carrying values approximate to their fair values.

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### 36.1.3 Contingent commitments

In general, the fair values of contingent commitments equal to fees charged by ČSOB Group to its customers when these products are contracted. As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, the fair value of contingent commitments was not material. For more information about carrying amounts see note 23.

#### 36.1.4 Debt securities at amortised cost (2017: Held-to-maturity investments)

Fair values for Debt securities at amortised cost under IFRS 9 and Held-to-maturity investments under IAS 39 are based on the quoted market prices. These are used depending on the availability in the following order: Stock Exchange and Benchmark curve from ARDAL, the price from Bloomberg and the price calculated based on price quotations from Bloomberg and the ARDAL. If no quoted market prices are available, the fair values of securities are determined based on the expert prices. In case of Slovak government bonds, the expert price used for the fair value is obtained by interpolation of yields from the securities that are included in the benchmark bonds' list.

If no quoted market price for mortgage bonds is available, an expert price is used. The calculation of the expert price is based on the Slovak government bond curve adjusted by the credit spread derived from trades realized on the Bratislava Stock Exchange ("BCPB"). The expert price of other securities is gained based on the method of comparable bonds.

#### 36.1.5 Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost and Subordinated debt

The carrying values of current account balances are, by definition, equal to their fair values. For other amounts owed to financial institutions with one year or less remaining to maturity, it is assumed that their carrying values approximate to their fair values. The fair values of other amounts owed to financial institutions and subordinated debt are estimated by discounting their future cash flows using interest rates modified by market unobservable credit spreads.

#### 36.1.6 Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost

The fair values of current accounts and term deposits with a remaining maturity of one year or less approximate to their carrying values. The fair values of other term deposits are estimated by discounting their future cash flows using the interest rates modified by market unobservable credit spreads.

#### 36.1.7 Debt securities issued at amortised cost

Mortgage bonds, investment certificates and bank bonds are publicly traded and their fair values are based on the quoted market prices. If no quoted market price is available, the expert price is used for determining the fair value. The calculation of the expert price is based on the Slovak government bond curve adjusted by the credit spread of the company of the issuer. The carrying values of promissory notes and the certificates of deposit approximate to their fair values.

#### 36.1.8 Other financial assets

The carrying values of other financial assets approximate to their fair values.

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36.2 Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value

The following table represents an analysis of financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value based on their fair value hierarchy as at 31 December 2018.

(EUR '000)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)				
Financial assets held for trading				
Financial trading derivatives	-	7,293	-	7,293
Government debt securities	107,586	-	-	107,586
Bank bonds	-	13,764	-	13,764
Other bonds	3,581	1,516	-	5,097
Total				133,740
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (note 5)				
Debt securities *				
Government debt securities	126,224	-	-	126,224
Bank bonds	-	49,754	-	49,754
Equity instruments				
Shares	-	3,649	4,951	8,600
Total				184,578
Other financial assets (note 14)				
Fair value changes of hedged item (hedged risk)	-	5,792	-	5,792
Hedging derivatives	-	35	-	35
Total				5,827
Total financial assets				324,145
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (note 16)				
Financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition				
Term deposits – non-bank customers	-	37,624	-	37,624
Debt securities issued at amortised cost	-	7,680	-	7,680
Financial liabilities held for trading				
Financial trading derivatives	-	11,854	-	11,854
Total				57,158
Other financial liabilities (note 22)				
Hedging derivatives	-	8,366	-	8,366
Total				8,366
Total financial liabilities				65,524
* net of impairment losses				

<sup>\*</sup> net of impairment losses

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The following table represents an analysis of financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value based on their fair value hierarchy as at 31 December 2017.

(EUR '000)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets				
Other demand deposits with banks (note 3)				
Other demand deposits with banks	-	12,055	-	12,055
Total				12,055
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)				
Financial assets held for trading				
Financial trading derivatives	-	8,700	3	8,703
Loans and receivables from banks	-	12,775	-	12,775
Government debt securities	1	_	_	1
Bank bonds	_	15,219	_	15,219
Other bonds	12,957	834	_	13,791
Total	·			50,489
Available-for-sale financial assets (note 6)				,
At fair value				
Government debt securities	300,531	_	_	300,531
Bank bonds	-	79,807	_	79,807
Other bonds	86,587	20,463	_	107,050
Shares	-	2,795	3,858	6,653
Total		,	-,	494,041
Other financial assets (note 14)				•
Fair value changes of hedged item (hedged risk)	_	(247)	_	(247)
Hedging derivatives	_	1,637	_	1,637
Total		,		1,390
Total financial assets				557,975
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (note 16)				
Financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition				
Current accounts – banks	_	12,055	_	12,055
Term deposits – non-bank customers	_	45,662	_	45,662
Debt securities issued	_	13,848	_	13,848
Financial liabilities held for trading		10,010		10,011
Financial trading derivatives	_	9,619	4	9,623
Total		-,0		81,188
Other financial liabilities (note 22)				2.,100
Hedging derivatives	_	3,847	_	3,847
Total		0,017		3,847
				0,047

## 36.2.1 Derivatives

Non-option derivatives are valued through an internal system of ČSOB Group, which calculates the present value (cash flows discounted using relevant yield curves). The price of exotic derivatives is obtained from professional counterparties.

# 36.2.2 Debt securities at fair value through profit or loss and Debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income (2017: Debt securities available-for-sale)

ČSOB Group classifies debt securities at Level 1, if there are available reliable market quotes on BCPB, Reuters and/or Bloomberg platform.

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If there is no available quotation from one of these sources, ČSOB Group uses its internal model:

- the valuation of domestic government securities is based on the yield to maturity of comparable securities included in government benchmark curve;
- the calculation of theoretical price of mortgage bond issued by Slovak banks is based on the Slovak government bond curve adjusted by the credit spread derived from trades realized on the BCPB;
- the valuation of other securities is based on the swap curve adjusted by the related credit spread of a comparable company.

In that case the security is classified in Level 2.

#### 36.2.3 Loans and deposits at fair value through profit or loss

Loans and deposits at fair value through profit or loss are valued using an internal system of ČSOB Group, which calculates the present value (cash flows discounted using inter-bank yield curves).

#### **36.2.4** Shares

Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income (2017: in the portfolio of Available-for-sale financial assets) are valued using its own market prices or market prices of shares with similar characteristics. An illiquidity discount is taken into consideration where appropriate.

#### 36.3 Transfers between Level 1 and 2

The following table shows movements between Level 1 and Level 2 in 2018.

(EUR '000)	Transfers from level 1 to level 2
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	
Other bonds	1,035

In 2018, ČSOB Group transferred other bonds in portfolio Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss amounting EUR 1,035 thousand from Level 1 to Level 2 due to change of the valuation source from market price to expert valuation.

The following table shows movements between Level 1 and Level 2 in 2017.

(EUR '000)	Transfer from Level 2 to Level 1
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	
Other bonds	252
Available-for-sale financial assets (note 6)	
Other bonds	12,423

In 2017, ČSOB Group transferred from Level 2 to Level 1 of EUR 252 thousand of other bonds in the portfolio of Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and EUR 12,423 thousand in the portfolio of Available-for-sale financial assets. As at 31 December 2017 these bonds had prices quoted on an active market.

# 37 ČSOB Group risks

Risk is inherent in ČSOB Group's activities, but it is managed through a process of ongoing identification, measurement and monitoring, subject to risk limits and other controls. The process of risk management is critical to ČSOB Group's continuing profitability. Every individual within ČSOB Group is accountable for the risk exposures relating to his or her responsibilities. ČSOB Group is exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk, operational risk and the market risk of the trading and banking books.

The independent risk control process includes business risks such as changes in the environment, technology, industry and reputation risk. These are monitored through the KBC Group's internal capital adequacy assessment process ("ICAAP"). This process is managed centrally by the parent company, KBC, in Belgium which prepares policy and methodology for the whole KBC Group.

In accordance with NBS Regulation Nº 4/2015 on other types of risks, on details about the system of risk management of banks and the subsidiaries of foreign banks, which establishes the definition of sudden and unexpected change of interest rates on the market, ČSOB Group implemented these strategies of risk management: liquidity risk management, market risk management of the banking book and trading book, credit risk management, operational risk management, reputational risk management, business risk management, strategic risk management, ICAAP management and management of asset encumbered. Risk management strategies include the main objectives and principles of the risk management of ČSOB Group and are reassessed at least once per year and approved by the Board of Directors.

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### 37.1 Risk management structure and basic assumptions

The Board of Directors has direct responsibility for identifying and controlling risk; however, there are also other separate independent bodies responsible for managing and monitoring risk.

The risk management structure in ČSOB Group is based on a uniform principle of risk management applied within the KBC Group; its model, the "KBC Risk Management Framework", defines the responsibilities and tasks of individual committees, departments and persons within the organization for guaranteeing sound risk management. Risk management includes:

- involvement of ČSOB Group's top bodies in the risk management process;
- the activities of specialized committees and independent departments involved in risk management at the overall level of ČSOB Group;
- primary risk management within departments and organizational units.

## 37.1.1 The organizational structure of senior bodies and committees for risk management

#### A Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is fully responsible for the overall risk management approach and for approving risk management strategies and principles. The Board of Directors monitors the risk profile of ČSOB Group, liquidity, capital adequacy (regulatory and economic capital) and capital utilization and makes decisions concerning the risk mitigation actions, setting of limits and monitoring of limit overruns.

## B Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board is responsible for monitoring the overall risk management process within ČSOB Group.

#### C Audit Committee ("AC")

The AC is a subcommittee of the Supervisory Board and advises the Supervisory Board on the integrity of the financial reporting and the effectiveness of internal control and risk management processes.

#### D Risk and Compliance Committee ("RCC")

The RCC is an advisory committee for the Supervisory Board in identifying current and future risk appetite and overall risk management strategy. The Committee also oversees their implementation in ČSOB Group by senior management and oversee compliance with the rules, to comply with the law. The RCC also monitors products provided to clients to ensure that they are fully in line with the business model and risk strategy of ČSOB Group.

# E Remuneration committee ("RC")

The RC independently assesses the remuneration principles and their impact on risk management, own funds and liquidity. The RC is responsible for preparing decisions on remuneration, including those that have implications for the risks and risk management of ČSOB Group to be accepted by the Board of Directors.

## F Assets and Liabilities Committee ("ALCO")

The ALCO is an advisory committee for the Board of Directors in the field of balance sheet management (banking and trading book). The ALCO has decision-making and recommendation powers in the field of liquidity management and funding, interest rate and investment management, market and liquidity risk management and business strategy and planning. The focus, competences, membership and the decision making of ALCO are defined within the ALCO statutes. The results from ALCO meetings are submitted to the Board of Directors.

#### G Operational Risk and Business Continuity Committee ("ORBC")

The ORBC is the platform with advisory and decision-making powers in the domains of operational risk and business continuity management. The ORBC discusses and approves the operational risk and business continuity management approach in various areas, proposed by the relevant units. The ORBC also monitors the strategy of operational risk management and business continuity management and implementation of principles and rules for management thereof. The chairman of the Committee is a member of the Board of Directors and the Chief Risk Officer.

## H Credit Risk Committee ("CRC")

The CRC's objective is to identify, measure and monitor credit risk arising from ČSOB Group's lending activities and products. The CRC proposes procedures for managing credit risk, implementing principles, rules and limits for its management, addressing the core credit risk issues and proposing appropriate decisions in this area. Suggestions recommended by CRC are submitted and approved to members of the board responsible for risk management of ČSOB Group. The CRC also serves as Local Assessment Committee ("LAC") for IFRS 9 provisioning models. LAC approves and challenges CSOB Group's impairments and models.

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#### I Local Credit Committee ("LCC")

The LCC is a committee entrusted with the KBC Group-wide responsibility and authority for taking decisions on (individual) credit applications falling within the delegated powers of decision of the LCC. As such, in principle, it acts as the highest decision-making committee for ČSOB Group in the field of loans.

#### J New and active products process ("NAPP")

The NAPP covers the approval of new products from the point of view of the product factory as well as the distribution channel. The obligatory member of NAPP is the risk manager. The chairman of the committee is a member of ČSOB Group's Board of Directors (or a directly appointed manager). The Committee decides on a written basis containing the information necessary for a balanced decision between business interests, risk and operational options. There are 2 committees for new and existing products in ČSOB Group – for Retail and Private Banking and for Corporate.

#### K Information Risk and Security Committee ("IRSC")

The IRSC has advisory and decision-making powers in the field of information, information security and cyber security, and is subordinate to the ORBC. The IRSC's role is also to discuss and issue opinions on information, information security and cyber security, and to accept exemptions in these areas if it is a low or medium risk. In the case of high risk acceptance or escalation by the second line, the ORBC is competent authority for discussion.

#### 37.1.2 Other risk management bodies

#### A Organizational unit of Risk and Compliance

Within the organizational unit of Risk and Compliance are the Risk and Capital Management Department and Credit Risk Management Department responsible for implementing and maintaining risk-related procedures to ensure an independent control process of risks. These departments are also responsible for the identification, quantification, monitoring, valuation and reporting of risks and for the independent control of risks, including monitoring the risk of exposure against limits and the assessment of risk from new products and structured transactions. Departments are also responsible for the strategy of risk management for given risks and its adherence.

#### B Asset and Liability Management Department ("ALM")

The ALM Department is responsible for managing the assets and liabilities in the banking book. It is also primarily responsible for the funding and liquidity risks of ČSOB Group.

#### C Financial Markets Division ("FM")

The FM Division is responsible for managing assets and liabilities on ČSOB Group's trading book.

#### D Internal Audit Department

Internal Audit applies a systematic, disciplined and objective approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes in ČSOB Group. By providing independent assurance on the quality of the governance, risk management and internal control processes, Internal Audit assists to governing bodies. The internal audit regularly reports its findings and recommendations to the Board of the Directors and the Audit Committee of ČSOB Group.

# 37.1.3 Risk reporting and measurement systems

ČSOB Group's risks are measured using methods which reflect both the anticipated loss likely to arise in normal circumstances and unexpected losses which are an estimate of the ultimate actual loss based on statistical models. The models make use of probabilities derived from historical experience, adjusted to reflect the economic environment. ČSOB Group also runs worst-case scenarios such as might arise in the event of the unlikely occurrence of extreme events.

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

Information compiled from all business units is examined and processed to analyse, control and identify risks as they arise. This information is presented and explained to ČSOB Group's Board of Directors and relevant risk management committees. The reports include aggregate credit exposure, hold limit exceptions, Value at Risk ("VaR") analyses, interest rate sensitivities, interest rate gaps, liquidity ratios and risk profile changes.

The Board of Directors receives a monthly integrated report designed to provide all the information necessary to assess and decide on the risks of ČSOB Group. This report is also submitted to the RCC on a quarterly basis.

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The Daily Risk Report containing information regarding drawing of the limits is provided to the Board and all other relevant members of ČSOB Group's management.

#### 37.1.4 **Risk mitigation**

As part of its overall risk management, ČSOB Group uses derivative financial instruments and other instruments to manage exposures resulting from changes in interest rates, foreign currencies, equity risk, credit risk, and exposures arising from forecast transactions.

ČSOB Group also uses a system of limits and early warning levels for risk mitigation and these signals and levels are related to each risk types, to which ČSOB Group is exposed.

#### **Excessive risk concentration** 37.1.5

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

To avoid excessive concentrations of risk, ČSOB Group's policies and procedures include specific guidelines to focus on maintaining a diversified portfolio. The concentrations of credit risk thus identified are controlled and managed accordingly. Selective hedging is used within ČSOB Group to manage risk concentrations at both the relationship and industry levels.

#### **Credit risk** 37.2

Credit risk is the risk of loss if the customer, client or counterparty fails to meet its obligations to ČSOB Group resulting from a contractual relationship. ČSOB Group manages and controls credit risk by determining limits to the extent to which it is willing to accept exposure in respect of one counterparty, and individual geographical and industry sectors. ČSOB Group regularly monitors the volume and quality of the exposures in respect of the imposed limits. Credit risk is also monitored through the various indicators and their limits.

ČSOB Group uses a credit quality review process to provide early identification of possible changes in the creditworthiness of counterparties. This includes regular collateral revisions. Counterparty limits are established by a credit risk classification system, which assigns each counterparty a Probability of Default risk rating (PD rating). Risk ratings are subject to regular revision. The credit quality review process allows ČSOB Group to assess the potential loss to which it is exposed because of the risk and to take corrective action.

#### 37.2.1 Internal Rating Based approach ("IRB")

ČSOB Group has implemented internal rating models/tools within the credit process for corporate customers and SMEs, MicroSME customers, private persons, municipalities, housing associations and other customers. The models were developed and constructed in compliance with the Basel II and Basel III regulations as well as with valid Slovak and European legislation. ČSOB Group uses the Internal Rating Based approach also to calculate internal capital requirement ("ICAAP").

The non-retail models produce rating grades on a unified KBC "PD master scale". Rating grades 1-9 are used for nondefault/normal customers, while rating grades 10-12 are used for customers in default. Each rating grade is associated with a predefined range of probability of default during the next 12 months (e.g. a client accorded PD rating 3 has a probability of default of between 0.20% - 0.40%). Customers with PD ratings 8 and 9 are considered as "weak normal" and the management of such files is monitored by the Corporate Credits Recovery and Restructuring Section. For retail exposures the scoring models are used. These exposures are assigned into so called pools based on score, for which the appropriate probability of default is derived and are mapped to PD rating 1-12 for the consistency of reporting purposes.

Classification of non-default/normal customers ratings is as follows:

Internal Rating	% probability of default	Rating
1	0.00% - 0.10%	Investment grade
2	0.10% - 0.20%	Investment grade
3	0.20% - 0.40%	Investment grade
4	0.40% - 0.80%	Standard monitoring
5	0.80% - 1.60%	Standard monitoring
6	1.60% - 3.20%	Standard monitoring
7	3.20% - 6.40%	Standard monitoring
8	6.40% - 12.80%	Watchlist (special monitoring)
9	12.80% - 100.00%	Watchlist (special monitoring)

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The IRB approach also includes the development of score-models for retail portfolios within ČSOB Group, estimates of key parameters such as Probability of Default ("PD"), Exposure at Default ("EAD") and Loss Given Default ("LGD") within defined homogeneous sets of exposures and a process of regular recalculation, validation and monitoring. Retail portfolio clients (private persons and MicroSMEs especially) do not have ratings assigned but are scored and based on the derived score they are divided into pools with the same value of PD and other risk parameters for the whole pool. Score-models are used in the application process so that they influence the incoming population.

All models must follow the standards defined within the KBC Group, to be independently validated by a specialist appointed from the Credit Risk Management Department and must be approved by Chief Risk Officer. ČSOB Group applies models developed by the KBC Group to assess the quality of sovereign and banking counterparties. These models are also validated in KBC.

During the first quarter of 2014, the National Bank of Slovakia granted ČSOB Group prior approval to use the IRB approach for the calculation of the own funds requirement for credit risk. ČSOB Group has been reporting ČSOB Bank portfolio under the IRB approach since 31 March 2014.

#### 37.2.2 Corporate and SME customers

ČSOB Group ranks companies with an annual turnover exceeding EUR 10 million, multinational companies with special treatment required, especially in terms of products provided, international clients of the KBC Group in the category of Large Corporate clients. The clients in this segment are also individually negotiated municipalities, mainly the largest regional cities.

Within the category of SME clients, ČSOB Group classifies clients not meeting the requirements for the segment of Corporate clients, with an annual turnover from EUR 1.5 million up to EUR 10 million inclusive and companies that are economically connected with a client, belonging to SME segment. SME clients also include autonomous regions and municipal clients not belonging to Corporate segment as well as housing cooperatives.

## A Credit acceptance process

The acceptance process for Corporate customers is organized in three stages. In the first stage, the relationship manager of the introducing entity prepares a written credit proposal. In the second stage, an analyst independent of the business line (i.e. reporting to Credits) assesses the proposal and prepares a recommendation. The final decision is made at the appropriate decision-making level (committee). The "four eyes" principle is always applied. The decision invariably includes an approved counterparty rating.

The established rating models that assign a specific probability of default to each client determine the level of risk and the acceptance process is adapted accordingly. Thus, ČSOB Group can modify the acceptance authority, follow a simpler framework in cases of lower risk, adjust price policy, set more precise monitoring rules, implement advanced risk control based on the portfolio system, etc. Rating models are integrated into specialized rating tools which can also be used for pricing purposes.

The approval process for SME clients is either complex (similar to Corporate rating process) or simple. The simple process uses scoring models and simplified approval delegation structure. It is applicable for clients with total exposure up to EUR 0.5 million inclusive (up to EUR 1 million in case of economically connected clients) and 250 employees at the maximum.

#### 37.2.3 Retail and MicroSME customers

The category of MicroSME clients consists of clients who do not qualify for inclusion into the Corporate and SME clients, their annual turnover is less than EUR 1.5 million and number of employees is 250 at the maximum. These clients are managed by retail branches and their total credit exposure from loan-drawing is less than or equals EUR 0.5 million (EUR 1 million for economically connected clients).

### A Credit acceptance process

The retail acceptance process is based on several scoring models (scorecards) that influence the loan portfolio quality. The retail acceptance process also uses access to external data sources (Credit Register) that provide additional information on a client's risk profile. Score-models are typically based on both socio-demographic and behavioural data. The acceptance process also covers pre-approved loans for existing retail customers based on the outcome from behavioural score-models.

#### B Portfolio risk management

Several loss-predicting models are used to manage the risk of the retail credit portfolios. Regular back-testing of those models reveals a high degree of precision in the predicted development. The use of these modelling techniques and score-models implemented in tandem with management techniques significantly reduces the credit risk undertaken within retail portfolios.

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#### 37.2.4 Derivative financial instruments

Credit risk arising from derivative financial instruments is limited under ČSOB Group's existing rules and processes and in general insignificant when compared to other instruments with credit risks.

#### 37.2.5 Credit risk-related receivables

ČSOB Group grants its customers guarantees that may result in a requirement for ČSOB Group to make payments on their behalf. Such payments are collected from customers on the terms of a letter of credit. They expose ČSOB Group to similar risks to loans and are mitigated by the same control processes and policies.

The table below shows the maximum exposure to credit risk for the components of the balance sheet and off-balance sheet. The maximum exposure is shown without considering any collateral and other credit risk mitigation tools.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Mandatory minimum reserves and other demand deposits with banks (note 3)	53,978	94,703
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	133,740	50,489
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, excluding shares (note 5)	175,978	n/a
Available-for-sale financial assets, excluding shares (note 6)	n/a	487,388
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	36,516	102,103
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	7,115,588	6,576,276
Debt securities at amortised cost (note 9)	1,820,495	n/a
Held-to-maturity investments (note 10)	n/a	1,491,743
Other financial assets (note 14)	19,031	14,520
Total	9,355,326	8,817,222
Credit facilities issued but not drawn (note 23.1)	1,424,514	1,238,658
Financial guarantees given (note 23.1)	227,563	235,161
Letters of credit given (note 23.1)	14,643	3,702
Total	1,666,720	1,477,521
Total credit risk exposure	11,022,046	10,294,743

The financial assets described above represent the current credit risk exposure, but not the maximum risk exposure that could arise in the future because of changes in values of the assets.

As at 31 December 2018, the maximum exposure to credit risk relating to financial instruments not subject to impairment was of EUR 29,051 thousand and the maximum exposure to credit risk relating to financial instruments subject to impairment with null ECL was of EUR 52,591 thousand.

### 37.2.6 Maximum credit risk exposure

The maximum exposure to the credit risk of financial assets is represented by their net carrying amount. The maximum exposure to credit risk for off-balance sheet commitments (e.g. credit facilities issued but not drawn, financial guarantees given) is represented by the maximum amount ČSOB Group must pay if the commitment is called in, which is also equal to their carrying amount.

#### 37.2.7 Concentration risk in terms of credit risk

Concentration risk is monitored by client/counterparty, geographical region and industry sector from both the qualitative and quantitative perspectives.

The maximum credit exposure to a governmental counterparty as at 31 December 2018 was EUR 1,739,206 thousand (31 December 2017: 1,679,676 thousand) and to a non-governmental counterparty EUR 120,839 thousand (31 December 2017: 120,458 thousand) before taking collateral or other credit enhancements into account and EUR 57,839 thousand (31 December 2017: 120,458 thousand) after taking them into account.

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ČSOB Group's financial assets and off-balance sheet items with credit risk, before taking any collateral or other credit enhancements into account, may be divided into the following geographical regions.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Slovak Republic	10,524,392	9,762,845
Belgium	28,418	39,600
Czech Republic	169,592	176,466
Great Britain	104,953	105,238
Hungary	50,052	90,607
Netherlands	36,438	22,147
Switzerland	31,324	1,797
Austria	23,735	32,502
Other	53,142	63,541
Total	11,022,046	10,294,743

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### 37.2.8 Credit risk based on quality of financial assets

The quality of financial assets from the perspective of credit risk is managed based on internal ratings. As at 31 December 2018, gross carrying amount (GCA), Impairment losses/ Provisions and net carrying amount (NCA) split by stages.

		Stage 1			Stage 2			Stage 3			POCI			Total	
(EUR '000)	GCA	Impairment losses/ Provisions	NCA	GCA	Imp. losses/ Prov.	NCA	GCA	Imp. losses/ Prov.	NCA	GCA	Imp. Iosses/ Prov.	NCA	GCA	Imp. losses/ Prov.	NCA
Mandatory minimum reserves and other demand deposits with banks (note 3)	53,978	-	53,978	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53,978	-	53,978
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	133,740	-	133,740	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	133,740	-	133,740
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, excluding shares (note 5)	176,004	(26)	175,978	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	176,004	(26)	175,978
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	36,526	(10)	36,516	-	-	-	92	(92)	-	-	-	-	36,618	(102)	36,516
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8) of which:	6,412,697	(11,206)	6,401,491	706,276	(33,079)	673,197	151,199	(111,318)	39,881	5,447	(4,428)	1,019	7,275,619	(160,031)	7,115,588
Public administration	173,009	(18)	172,991	172	-	172	102	(94)	8	-	-	-	173,283	(112)	173,171
Corporate	2,049,704	(5,762)	2,043,942	304,283	(6,114)	298,169	69,041	(55,039)	14,002	5,447	(4,428)	1,019	2,428,475	(71,343)	2,357,132
Retail	4,189,984	(5,426)	4,184,558	401,821	(26,965)	374,856	82,056	(56,185)	25,871	-	_	-	4,673,861	(88,576)	4,585,285
Mortgage loans	3,112,423	(322)	3,112,101	199,293	(3,910)	195,383	26,013	(13,093)	12,920	-	-	-	3,337,729	(17,325)	3,320,404
Consumer loans	233,956	(511)	233,445	32,364	(2,038)	30,326	10,034	(7,625)	2,409	-	-	-	276,354	(10, 174)	266,180
Credit cards	14,952	(31)	14,921	8,491	(594)	7,897	1,216	(955)	261	-	-	-	24,659	(1,580)	23,079
Overdrafts	10,838	(36)	10,802	12,108	(868)	11,240	1,848	(1,454)	394	-	-	-	24,794	(2,358)	22,436
MicroSME	207,383	(1,845)	205,538	87,065	(15,306)	71,759	24,285	(21,488)	2,797	-	-	-	318,733	(38,639)	280,094
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	127,343	(310)	127,033	16,368	(2,252)	14,116	9,867	(5,592)	4,275	-	-	-	153,578	(8, 154)	145,424
ČSOB Leasing Group	483,089	(2,371)	480,718	46,132	(1,997)	44,135	8,793	(5,978)	2,815	-	-	-	538,014	(10,346)	527,668
Debt securities at amortised cost (note 9)	1,820,840	(345)	1,820,495	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,820,840	(345)	1,820,495
Other financial assets (note 14)	19,556	(525)	19,031	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,556	(525)	19,031
Total	8,653,341	(12,112)	8,641,229	706,276	(33,079)	673,197	151,291	(111,410)	39,881	5,447	(4,428)	1,019	9,516,355	(161,029)	9,355,326
Off-balance sheet liabilities	1,459,234	(853)	1,458,381	210,255	(2,685)	207,570	1,253	(629)	624	282	(137)	145	1,671,024	(4,304)	1,666,720
Total credit risk exposure	10,112,575	(12,965)	10,099,610	916,531	(35,764)	880,767	152,544	(112,039)	40,505	5,729	(4,565)	1,164	11,187,379	(165,333)	11,022,046

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The net carrying amount of financial assets according to risk categories based on individual assessment as at 31 December 2017 is presented in the following table.

(EUR '000)	ι	Inimpaired		ı	mpaired		Total			
	GCA	Impairment losses/ Provisions	NCA	GCA	Imp. losses/ Prov.	NCA	GCA	Imp. Iosses/ Prov.	NCA	
Mandatory minimum reserves and other demand deposits with banks (note 3)	94,703	-	94,703	-	-	-	94,703	-	94,703	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	50,489	-	50,489	-	-	-	50,489	-	50,489	
Available-for-sale financial assets, excluding shares (note 6)	487,388	-	487,388	-	-	-	487,388	-	487,388	
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	102,125	(22)	102,103	92	(92)	-	102,217	(114)	102,103	
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8) of which:	6,525,314	(11,373)	6,513,941	188,807	(126,472)	62,335	6,714,121	(137,845)	6,576,276	
Public administration	191,147	(38)	191,109	129	(129)	-	191,276	(167)	191,109	
Corporate	2,117,728	(3,712)	2,114,016	87,975	(63,211)	24,764	2,205,703	(66,923)	2,138,780	
Retail	4,216,439	(7,623)	4,208,816	100,703	(63,132)	37,571	4,317,142	(70,755)	4,246,387	
Mortgage loans	3,004,091	(2,145)	3,001,946	40,854	(15,509)	25,345	3,044,945	(17,654)	3,027,291	
Consumer loans	228,263	(1,146)	227,117	12,258	(11,049)	1,209	240,521	(12, 195)	228,326	
Credit cards	19,852	(203)	19,649	1,645	(1,546)	99	21,497	(1,749)	19,748	
Overdrafts	22,513	(290)	22,223	2,398	(2,265)	133	24,911	(2,555)	22,356	
MicroSME	280,962	(2,755)	278,207	25,263	(21,834)	3,429	306,225	(24,589)	281,636	
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	154,938	(395)	154,543	9,570	(4,121)	5,449	164,508	(4,516)	159,992	
ČSOB Leasing Group	505,820	(689)	505,131	8,715	(6,808)	1,907	514,535	(7,497)	507,038	
Held-to-maturity investments (note 10)	1,491,772	(29)	1,491,743	-	-	-	1,491,772	(29)	1,491,743	
Other financial assets (note 14)	15,322	(802)	14,520	-	-	-	15,322	(802)	14,520	
Total	8,767,113	(12,226)	8,754,887	188,899	(126,564)	62,335	8,956,012	(138,790)	8,817,222	
Off-balance sheet liabilities	1,476,494	(947)	1,475,547	2,681	(707)	1,974	1,479,175	(1,654)	1,477,521	
Total credit risk exposure	10,243,607	(13,173)	10,230,434	191,580	(127,271)	64,309	10,435,187	(140,444)	10,294,743	

The main considerations for loan impairment assessment include whether any payments of principal, fees or interest are overdue by more than 90 days, or whether there are any known difficulties in the cash flows of counterparties, credit rating downgrades, or infringements of the original terms of the contract. In accordance with the Standard IFRS 9 these considerations are covered within the classification of loans and receivables into 3 Stages. ČSOB Group addresses impairment assessment in two areas: individually assessed allowances and collectively assessed allowances.

#### A Individually assessed allowances

ČSOB Group determines allowances appropriate to each individually significant loan or receivable on an individual basis. Items considered when determining allowance amounts include the sustainability of the counterparty's business plan, its ability to improve performance once a financial difficulty has arisen, the availability of other financial support and the realizable value of collateral, and the timing of expected cash flows. The impairment losses are evaluated at each reporting date (or as at the date the reports are submitted to ČSOB Group's management), unless extraordinary or unforeseen circumstances require more careful attention.

### B Collectively assessed allowances

Allowances are assessed collectively for losses on loans and receivables that are not individually significant (including credit cards, residential mortgages and unsecured consumer loans) and for individually significant loans and receivables where there is not yet any objective evidence of individual impairment.

The collective assessment takes account of impairments that are likely to be present in the portfolio even though there is no objective evidence of impairment in an individual assessment. Impairment losses are estimated by taking into consideration the following information: historical losses on the portfolio, current economic conditions, current macroeconomic situation and its future trend. The impairment allowance is reviewed by the credit management departments to ensure its alignment with ČSOB Group's overall policies and procedures.

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Financial guarantees and letters of credit are assessed, and provisions made in a similar manner as for loans and receivables.

Table below shows gross carrying amount of asset classes in Stage 1 by credit rating. Each credit rating is linked to given interval of probability of default as defined in note 37.2.1 as at 31 December 2018.

	Rating								
(EUR '000)	1 - 3	4 - 7	8 - 9	Undefined *	Total				
Other demand deposits with banks at amortised cost (note 3)	26,037	21	-	2,993	29,051				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	130,274	3,414	-	52	133,740				
Financial trading derivatives	5,328	1,913	-	52	7,293				
Government debt securities	107,586	-	-	-	107,586				
Bank bonds	13,764	-	-	-	13,764				
Other bonds	3,596	1,501	-	-	5,097				
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, (excluding shares) (note 5)	176,004	-	-	-	176,004				
Government debt securities	126,226	-	-	-	126,226				
Bank bonds	49,778	-	-	-	49,778				
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	22,340	14,186	-	-	36,526				
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	2,463,181	3,561,284	245,884	142,348	6,412,697				
Public administration	170,770	392	208	1,639	173,009				
Corporate	531,819	1,442,951	61,633	13,301	2,049,704				
Retail	1,760,592	2,117,941	184,043	127,408	4,189,984				
Mortgage loans	1,655,001	1,449,556	7,866	-	3,112,423				
Consumer loans	76,847	151,305	5,804	-	233,956				
Credit cards	<i>6,44</i> 8	8,183	321	-	14,952				
Overdrafts	2,478	7,664	647	49	10,838				
MicroSME	15,379	168,746	23,242	16	207,383				
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	-	-	-	127,343	127,343				
ČSOB Leasing Group	4,439	332,487	146,163	-	483,089				
Debt securities at amortised cost (note 9)	1,740,283	80,557	-	-	1,820,840				
Government debt securities	1,578,282	-	-	-	1,578,282				
Bank bonds	123,804	-	-	-	123,804				
Other bonds	38,197	80,557	-	-	118,754				
Hedging derivatives (note 34)	35	-	-	-	35				
Total	4,558,154	3,659,462	245,884	145,393	8,608,893				
Off-balance sheet liabilities	696,423	742,882	13,509	6,420	1,459,234				
Total credit risk exposure	5,254,577	4,402,344	259,393	151,813	10,068,127				

<sup>\*</sup> the rating or rating model is not assigned

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Table below shows gross carrying amount of asset classes in Stage 2 by credit rating. Each credit rating is linked to given interval of probability of default as defined in note 37.2.1 as at 31 December 2018.

(EUR '000)	1 - 3	4 - 7	8 - 9	Undefined *	Total
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	65,925	367,126	246,417	26,808	706,276
Public administration	-	146	17	9	172
Corporate	27,865	207,349	59,199	9,870	304,283
Retail	38,060	159,631	187,201	16,929	401,821
Mortgage loans	30,366	96,054	72,873	-	199,293
Consumer loans	1	15,649	16,714	-	32,364
Credit cards	886	4,417	3,188	-	8,491
Overdrafts	667	6,271	5,170	-	12,108
MicroSME	6,140	25,784	54,580	561	87,065
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	-	-	-	16,368	16,368
ČSOB Leasing Group	-	11,456	34,676	-	46,132
Total	65,925	367,126	246,417	26,808	706,276
Off-balance sheet liabilities	35,424	154,129	18,300	2,402	210,255
Total credit risk exposure	101,349	521,255	264,717	29,210	916,531

<sup>\*</sup> the rating or rating model is not assigned

Table below shows gross carrying amount of asset classes in Stage 3 by credit rating. Each credit rating is linked to given interval of probability of default as defined in note 37.2.1 as at 31 December 2018.

	Rating
(EUR '000)	10 - 12
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	92
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	151,199
Public administration	102
Corporate	69,041
Retail	82,056
Mortgage loans	26,013
Consumer loans	10,034
Credit cards	1,216
Overdrafts	1,848
MicroSME	24,285
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	9,867
ČSOB Leasing Group	8,793
Total	151,291
Off-balance sheet liabilities	1,253
Total credit risk exposure	152,544

Table below shows gross carrying amount of asset classes classified as POCI by credit rating. Each credit rating is linked to given interval of probability of default as defined in note 37.2.1 as at 31 December 2018.

	Rating
(EUR '000)	10 - 12
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	5,447
Corporate	5,447
Off-balance sheet liabilities	282
Total credit risk exposure	5,729

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As at 31 December 2017, the credit quality of Other demand deposits with banks, Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost that are neither past due nor impaired based on individual assessment are as follows. Each rating grade has a specified range of probability of default over the next 12 months.

(EUR '000) Rating	% possible default	Other demand deposits with banks at cost	Other demand deposits with banks at fair value	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	Total
1	0.00% - 0.10%	2,680	12,055	11,808	87,571	114,114
2	0.10% - 0.20%	47,354	-	967	638	48,959
3	0.20% - 0.40%	114	-	-	-	114
4	0.40% - 0.80%	1,789	-	-	225	2,014
5	0.80% - 1.60%	-	-	-	636	636
6	1.60% - 3.20%	-	-	-	2,107	2,107
7	3.20% - 6.40%	-	-	-	1,052	1,052
8	6.40% - 12.80%	-	-	-	9,874	9,874
Total		51,937	12,055	12,775	102,103	178,870

As at 31 December 2017, the credit quality of Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost that are neither past due nor impaired based on individual assessment are as follows. Each rating grade has a specified range of probability of default over the next 12 months.

(EUR ' Rating	, .	Public admini- stration	Corpo- rate	Retail	Mortgage loans	Consu- mer loans	Credit cards	Over- drafts	Micro- SME	ČSOB stav. spori- teľňa	ČSOB Leasing Group	Total
1	0.00% - 0.10%	-	170,199	39,387	13,424	-	-	-	25,963	-	-	209,586
2	0.10% - 0.20%	164,458	92,817	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	257,275
3	0.20% - 0.40%	25,662	289,799	1,557,029	1,481,138	64,625	6,324	4,367	575	-	-	1,872,490
4	0.40% - 0.80%	-	424,296	983,004	825,086	68,214	4,700	3,705	81,299	-	-	1,407,300
5	0.80% - 1.60%	-	316,163	422,176	416,478	5,442	121	135	-	-	-	738,339
6	1.60% - 3.20%	-	217,772	148,810	-	43,265	2,997	3,839	98,709	-	-	366,582
7	3.20% - 6.40%	-	93,131	198,659	161,883	28,233	2,622	5,024	897	-	-	291,790
8	6.40% - 12.80%	-	24,651	88,271	34,833	4,332	800	1,648	46,658	-	-	112,922
9	12.80% - 100.00%	233	5,366	45,240	21,637	7,478	1,094	3,157	11,874	-	-	50,839
Undefi *	ned -	756	321,912	582,620	-	-	-	-	459	152,548	429,613	905,288
Total		191,109	1,956,106	4,065,196	2,954,479	221,589	18,658	21,875	266,434	152,548	429,613	6,212,411

<sup>\*</sup> the rating or rating model is not assigned

As at 31 December 2017, the credit quality of securities and bonds that are neither past due nor impaired based on individual assessment are as follows. Each rating grade has a specified range of probability of default over the next 12 months.

	Net carrying amount									
(EUR '000)		Financial asset profit or loss (I		Available-for-s (note 6)	ale financi		Held-to-maturity investments (note 10)			
Rating	% possible default	Government debt securities	Bank bonds	Other bonds	Government debt securities	Bank bonds	Other bonds	Government debt securities	Bank bonds	
1	0.00% - 0.10%	1	-	-	288,065	9,797	-	1,367,822	-	
2	0.10% - 0.20%	-	15,219	11,468	12,466	70,010	12,450	11,302	112,619	
3	0.20% - 0.40%	-	-	-	-	-	19,439	-	-	
4	0.40% - 0.80%	-	-	2,220	-	-	75,161	-	-	
Undefined *	-	-	-	103	-	-	-	-	-	
Total		1	15,219	13,791	300,531	79,807	107,050	1,379,124	112,619	

<sup>\*</sup> the rating or rating model is not assigned

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As at 31 December 2017, the credit quality of financial trading derivatives and hedging derivatives that are neither past due nor impaired based on individual assessment are as follows. Each rating grade has a specified range of probability of default over the next 12 months.

(EUR '000)		Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	Other assets (note 14)
Rating	% possible default	Financial trading derivatives	Hedging derivatives
1	0.00% - 0.10%	5,831	1,637
2	0.10% - 0.20%	1,079	-
3	0.20% - 0.40%	533	-
4	0.40% - 0.80%	204	-
5	0.80% - 1.60%	174	-
6	1.60% - 3.20%	171	-
7	3.20% - 6.40%	24	-
Undefined '	-	687	-
Total		8,703	1,637

<sup>\*</sup> the rating or rating model is not assigned

#### 37.2.9 Collateral and other credit enhancements

The table below provides the financial effect of collaterals and of other credit enhancements for credit impaired financial assets (Stage 3 and POCI) as at 31 December 2018. The financial effect represents the effect of mitigating the exposure to credit risk by disclosing a lower value of fair value of collateral and carrying value of asset.

(EUR '000)	Real estate	Cash and cash equivalents	Other	31 Dec 2018
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	30,645	448	8,072	39,165
Public administration	_	-	8	8
Corporate	7,741	24	5,455	13,220
Retail	22,904	424	2,609	25,937
Mortgage loans	18,082	_	-	18,082
MicroSME	937	37	-	974
ČSOB stav. sporiteľňa	3,653	387	-	4,040
ČSOB Leasing Group	232	-	2,609	2,841
Total	30,645	448	8,072	39,165

The tables below provide the financial effect of collaterals and of other credit enhancements for all groups of financial assets as at 31 December 2017. The financial effect represents the effect of mitigating the exposure to credit risk by disclosing a lower value of fair value of collateral and carrying value of asset.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2017
Real estates	3,658,112
Cash and cash equivalents	35,913
Bank guarantees	39,436
Other	1,130,895
Total	4,864,356

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2017
Loans and receivables to financial institutions	9,396
Loans and receivables to customers	4,735,167
Undrawn credit limits provided	119,793
Total	4,864,356

The amount and types of collateral required depend on an assessment of the credit risk of the counterparty. ČSOB Group has internal guidelines in place to assess the separate types of collateral and determine the valuation parameters to be employed.

ČSOB Group accepted guarantees from its parent company and other subsidiaries within the KBC Group for credit risk mitigation of other subsidiaries of ČSOB Group and for third parties (note 33).

ČSOB Group monitors the market value of collateral and requires additional collateral based on contractual conditions.

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#### A Collateral realization

ČSOB Group employs different procedures when realizing collateral for retail and non-retail exposures. This divergent approach has resulted from legislation as well as the granularity of individual exposures in these classes of assets.

#### a) Collateral realization in the RETAIL segment

In the event of an unsuccessful early collection in respect of retail customers, the client and the owner of the collateral (usually real estate) are contacted to be informed of the realization of the collateral by ČSOB Group. If the client is amenable to cooperation in resolving this problem, ČSOB Group usually proposes that the real estate be sold under conditions which it specifies (price, legal terms, etc.).

Otherwise, ČSOB Group enters into contracts with external auction companies. An auction company holds an auction after which ČSOB Group obtains the funds acquired less any charges and fees for the auction company. Subsequently, this amount is used to settle the respective receivable due from the client.

### b) Collateral realization in the NON-RETAIL segment

In the non-retail segment, ČSOB Group obtained assets from the realization of various collaterals in the form of cash only, i.e. by using the following types of realization: direct sale, unrestricted auction, auction under distraint and auction within bankruptcy proceedings. Other types of assets (e.g. real estate) are not transferred to ČSOB Group's assets but ČSOB Group pursues their sale.

As at 31 December 2018, ČSOB Group held collaterals possessed as assets in the carrying amount of EUR 1,124 thousand presented under "Assets held for sale" (31 December 2017: EUR 1,477 thousand) and EUR 1,628 thousand presented under "Other assets" (31 December 2017: EUR 1,711 thousand).

### **37.2.10** Forbearance measures

Based on the guidelines on non-performing exposures and forbearance measures laid down by the European Banking Authority ("EBA"), which came into effect on 30 September 2014, ČSOB Group implemented a new definition of forborne loans. Lately, ČSOB Group had incorporated the extra requirements from the ECB-document re "Guidance to banks on non-performing loans (NPL)", published in March 2017.

Forbearance measures consist of concessions towards a debtor facing or about to face financial difficulties. Concession refers to either a modification of the previous terms and conditions of a contract the debtor is considered unable to comply with or a total or a partial refinancing of a troubled debt contract. Credit facilities for which forbearance measures have been extended and for which the exit criteria are not met are considered to be forborne (formerly known as "distressed restructured credits").

ČSOB Group has assigned defaulted PD ratings on distressed restructured loans since 2011. This approach was required by local regulator (NBS) and guaranteed conservative approach to exposures with deteriorated asset quality (forborne exposures). Despite conservative assignment of PD ratings to forborne (restructured) exposures, classification of exposures as non-performing for the purposes of IFRS disclosure was adjusted to be in line with new EBA technical standards.

Since default (and thus also non-performing) status occurs any time a forbearance measure is granted, the minimum period for assignment of the "Forborne tag" is 36 months. This period consists of the 12 months of non-performing status and 24 months of what is referred to as "probation period". In addition, any time more than 30 days past due is observed at an individual receivable during the "probation period", the receivable is re-classified as defaulted and non-performing and the 36-month period is re-set.

As at 31 December 2018, the net carrying amount of forborne exposures included in the credit portfolio is presented in the following table.

	Gross ca	rrying amoun	Impai	irment loss		Net carrying amount			
(EUR '000)	Performing	Non- performing	Total	Performing I	Non- performing	Total	Performing p	Non- performing	Total
Public administration	146	70	216	-	(70)	(70)	146	-	146
Corporate	7,079	32,208	39,287	(242)	(23,677)	(23,919)	6,837	8,531	15,368
Retail	6,931	8,014	14,945	(201)	(2,490)	(2,691)	6,730	5,524	12,254
Total	14,156	40,292	54,448	(443)	(26,237)	(26,680)	13,713	14,055	27,768

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As at 31 December 2017, the net carrying amount of forborne exposures included in the credit portfolio is presented in the following table.

	Gross	Gross carrying amount			rment loss		Net carrying amount			
(EUR '000)	Performing	Non- performing	Total	Performing p	Non- erforming	Total	Performing po	Non- erforming	Total	
Public administration	233	88	321	-	(88)	(88)	233	-	233	
Corporate	153	42,122	42,275	(11)	(25,443)	(25,454)	142	16,679	16,821	
Retail	8,544	11,432	19,976	(30)	(3,422)	(3,452)	8,514	8,010	16,524	
Total	8,930	53,642	62,572	(41)	(28,953)	(28,994)	8,889	24,689	33,578	

A movement table of gross carrying amount on exposures with forbearance measures as at 31 December 2018 is presented in the following table.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2018	IFRS 9 FTA impact	1 Jan 2018 *	Loans which have become forborne	Loans which are no longer considered to be forborne	Repayments and recovery	Write- offs	Other	31 Dec 2018
Public administration	321	10	331	-	(13)	(102)	-	-	216
Corporate	42,275	1,211	43,486	5,705	(4,836)	(5,908)	(546)	1,386	39,287
Retail	19,976	634	20,610	3,377	(6,240)	(1,694)	(1,346)	238	14,945
Total	62,572	1,855	64,427	9,082	(11,089)	(7,704)	(1,892)	1,624	54,448

<sup>\*</sup> After IFRS 9 FTA impact

A movement table of gross carrying amount on exposures with forbearance measures as at 31 December 2017 is presented in the following table.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2017		Loans which are no longer considered to be forborne	Repayments and recovery	Write- offs	Other	31 Dec 2017
Public administration	347	76	-	(102)	-	-	321
Corporate	53,732	7,285	(10,383)	(8,298)	(213)	152	42,275
Retail	27,833	4,383	(7,886)	(4,399)	(45)	90	19,976
Total	81,912	11,744	(18,269)	(12,799)	(258)	242	62,572

A movement table of impairment loss on exposures with forbearance measures as at 31 December 2018 is presented in the following table.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2018	IFRS 9 FTA impact	1 Jan 2018 *	Loans which have become forborne	Loans which are no longer considered to be forborne	(Creation)/ Release on Other forborne loans	31 Dec 2018
Public administration	(88)	(15)	(103)	-	28	5 -	(70)
Corporate	(25,454)	(925)	(26,379)	(1,417)	1,188	1,348 1,341	(23,919)
Retail	(3,452)	(782)	(4,234)	(292)	205	(140) 1,770	(2,691)
Total	(28,994)	(1,722)	(30,716)	(1,709)	1,421	1,213 3,111	(26,680)

<sup>\*</sup> After IFRS 9 FTA impact

A movement table of impairment loss on exposures with forbearance measures as at 31 December 2017 is presented in the following table.

(EUR '000)	1 Jan 2017	Loans which have become forborne	Loans which are no longer considered to be forborne	(Creation)/ Release on forborne loans	Other	31 Dec 2017
Public administration	(219)	(76)	-	207	-	(88)
Corporate	(27,416)	(2,504)	2,564	1,690	212	(25,454)
Retail	(3,905)	(352)	996	(228)	37	(3,452)
Total	(31,540)	(2,932)	3,560	1,669	249	(28,994)

#### 37.3 Liquidity risk and funding management

Liquidity risk is the risk that ČSOB Group will not, in effect, be able to meet its liabilities when they become due under standard and liquidity crisis developments.

ČSOB Group limits this risk through the proper structure of the balance sheet, with the respect to the quality and maturity of assets and liabilities and through the stabilization and diversification of financial resources. Besides the stable source of primary deposits, ČSOB Group also has available secondary financial resources to maintain a sufficient liquidity level. ČSOB Group creates and maintains regular contacts with clients and other counterparties, important for ČSOB Group in view of liquidity, regularly reviews the reliability of individual financial sources and the availability of high – quality collateral for additional financing.

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The medium-term and long-term liquidity position of ČSOB Group is assessed and managed under liquidity scenarios. The basic scenario reflects the expected trend in internal and external liquidity conditions (standard development in assets and liabilities of ČSOB Group is expected), the stress scenario includes various stress factors related to ČSOB Group and the financial market. Short-term liquidity is in ČSOB Group monitored through liquidity ratios based on the actual balance sheet composition.

In addition, ČSOB Group measures and monitors short and long-term liquidity indicators defined in the International framework for liquidity risk measurement, monitoring and standards issued by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision - Liquidity Coverage Ratio ("LCR") and Net Stable Funding Ratio ("NSFR"). ČSOB Group also plans and monitors economically adjusted indicator NSFR ("ENSFR"), which is defined and used for liquidity management within the whole KBC Group. ENSFR is also one of the key performance measures of ČSOB Group (i.e. KPI's). ČSOB Group monitors also the Asset encumbered ratio in the context of international methodological guidelines to the Asset encumbrance reporting.

The most important liquidity ratio for ČSOB Group in 2018 from the perspective of fulfilment was LCR. This regulatory short-term liquidity indicator is defined by Basel III in Regulation (EU) No 575/2013, which is supplemented by Commission delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/61. It represents the ratio of the sum of highly liquid assets and the sum of net negative cash flows. LCR should not fall below the regulatory limit value 1.0. ČSOB Group met the specified minimum limit during the whole year 2018 and 2017 with a sufficient reserve.

In addition to standard liquidity trends, ČSOB Group has also prepared an emergency plan for liquidity management in the event of a liquidity crisis. This emergency plan defines the indicators for early warning of a potential liquidity crisis and determines the responsibilities of relevant bodies during a liquidity crisis.

The following tables show ČSOB Group's non-derivative financial liabilities (including contingent commitments) categorised based on the earliest period in which ČSOB Group be can required to pay. The tables have been drawn up based on undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities. The tables include both interest and principal cash flows. The principal cash flows are the best estimates using average effective yields. Expected remaining maturity can differ from this analysis.

(EUR '000) 31 Dec 2018	Less than 1 month	1 - 3 months	3 - 12 months	1 - 5 years	5 years and more	Total
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (excluding derivatives)	34,899	2,640	911	6,752	-	45,202
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost	58,504	219,864	334,986	370,526	53,917	1,037,797
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	5,212,349	489,278	555,394	18,091	2,524	6,277,636
Debt securities issued at amortised cost	1,284	10,402	943,936	384,007	76,275	1,415,904
Subordinated debt	-	304	912	4,862	91,754	97,832
Other financial liabilities (excluding derivatives)	-	37,599	-	-	-	37,599
Total financial liabilities	5,307,036	760,087	1,836,139	784,238	224,470	8,911,970
Credit facilities issued but not drawn	1,427,882	-	_	_	_	1,427,882
Financial guarantees given	228,468	-	-	-	-	228,468
Letters of credit given	14,674	-	-	-	-	14,674
Total contingent commitments	1,671,024	-	-	-	-	1,671,024

(EUR '000) 31 Dec 2017	Less than 1 month	1 - 3 months	3 - 12 months	1 – 5 years	5 years and more	Undefined	Total
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (excluding derivatives)	32,416	26,255	5,153	7,258	-	-	71,082
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost	154,273	125,113	257,687	309,042	-	-	846,115
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost	4,883,924	657,340	477,224	28,808	297	419	6,048,012
Debt securities issued	-	620	814,821	420,586	87,025	-	1,323,052
Subordinated debt	-	299	898	4,792	92,890	-	98,879
Other financial liabilities (excluding derivatives)	-	32,051	-	-	-	-	32,051
Total financial liabilities	5,070,613	841,678	1,555,783	770,486	180,212	419	8,419,191
Credit facilities issued but not drawn	1,239,362	_	_	_	_	_	1,239,362
Financial guarantees given	236,111	-	-	-	-	-	236,111
Letters of credit given	3,702	-	-	-	-	-	3,702
Total contingent commitments	1,479,175	-	-	-	-	-	1,479,175

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The table below sets out the financial assets of ČSOB Group by expected remaining maturity as at 31 December 2018

(EUR '000)	Less than 1 month	1 - 3 months	3 - 12 months	1 – 5 years	5 years and more	Undefined	Total
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks	240,235	-	-	-	-	-	240,235
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	955	4,274	14,070	107,141	7,294	133,740
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	257	7,594	45,505	95,397	27,224	8,601	184,578
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	26,859	(3,862)	5,189	7,928	402	-	36,516
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	150,104	235,527	1,088,974	2,111,700	3,479,033	50,250	7,115,588
Debt securities at amortised cost	9,777	5,070	157,816	371,519	1,276,313	-	1,820,495
Other financial assets	-	19,031	-	-	-	-	19,031
Total financial assets	427,238	264,315	1,301,758	2,600,614	4,890,113	66,145	9,550,183

The table below sets out the financial assets of ČSOB Group by expected remaining maturity as at 31 December 2017.

(EUR '000)	Less than 1 month	1 - 3 months	3 - 12 months	1 – 5 years	5 years and more	Undefined	Total
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks	295,046	-	-	-	-	-	295,046
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	12,780	4,034	9,157	15,199	617	8,702	50,489
Available-for-sale financial assets	900	1,548	165,105	145,137	174,698	6,670	494,058
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost	88,005	4,187	2,133	6,785	1,006	(13)	102,103
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost	154,284	217,382	979,905	1,645,545	3,526,677	52,483	6,576,276
Held-to-maturity investments	8,529	13,310	12,534	304,180	1,153,219	(29)	1,491,743
Other financial assets	-	14,520	-	-	-	-	14,520
Total financial assets	559,544	254,981	1,168,834	2,116,846	4,856,217	67,813	9,024,235

### 37.4 Market risk

Market risk for financial instruments in ČSOB Group's portfolios is defined as a change in the future cash flows and market prices of these financial instruments resulting from movements in market variables. In general, the most important variables are interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices.

ČSOB Group classifies exposures to market risk into either its trading (trading book) or non-trading portfolios (banking book). Market risk for the trading portfolio is managed and monitored based on a standard VaR rate that reflects the interdependence of risk variables. In addition to the VaR method, a further measure is an analysis of sensitivity using Basis Point Value ("BPV") indicators. Within the positions kept in the banking book, market risk is measured and managed using the BPV sensitivity analysis and cumulative interest rate GAPs.

#### 37.4.1 Market risk – Trading Book

ČSOB Group's Board of Directors defines the maximum acceptable level of risk by using VaR and BPV limits. ČSOB Group applies a VaR method to estimate the market risk in the financial instruments recorded in ČSOB Group's portfolios and to determine the potential economic loss resulting from unfavourable movements in market variables.

The risk rate of the VaR business portfolio in terms of its present value has been defined as the maximum potential loss to which ČSOB Group may be exposed within a precisely defined time horizon and with probability specified in advance. To estimate VaR for interest rate as well as FX risks, ČSOB Group currently uses the method of historical simulation based over a two-year period of the development of market risk factors. The reliability level is set at 99% within a 10 working-day horizon. The adequacy and accuracy of the internal model is regularly evaluated using the results of back-tests performed daily.

An overview of actual VaR along with drawing up predefined limits forms part of a daily report to ČSOB Group's senior management.

In addition to the standard VaR calculations, ČSOB Group also performs detailed stress-test analyses. These consist of various scenarios for unexpected movements in market risk factors and their impact on the market values of the positions currently held by ČSOB Group. The set of predefined scenarios includes actual historical market shocks as well as artificially designed tests.

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ČSOB Group has no open position in equity, or in FX options. Technical limits are set for positions in interest rate options, permitting the opening of minor positions only.

VaR summary as at 31 December 2018 is as follows.

(EUR '000)	Interest rate	FX	Effect of correlation	Global VaR total
31 Dec 2018	339	133	(85)	387
Average	232	163	(101)	294
Max	428	373	-	469
Min	74	56	-	101

VaR summary as at 31 December 2017 is as follows.

(EUR '000)	Interest rate	FX	Effect of correlation	Global VaR total
31 Dec 2017	211	82	(62)	231
Average	185	112	(53)	244
Max	305	292	-	352
Min	61	35	-	83

Interest rate sensitivity overview (10 BPV) for trading book is following.

		Profit or Loss Sensitivity			
(EUR '000)	Increase in basis point	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017		
EUR	+10	(127)	(228)		
CZK	+10	9	5		

Risk management of the Trading Book includes, besides the VaR limit and BPV limits, also limits for open FX position, limits for back-to-back trading, stop-loss limits, volume limits, limits for unquoted prices, limits for trades without physical delivery, limits for inadequate high margins and profits, Professional limits ("PRF") linked to credit risk.

### 37.4.2 Market risk – Banking Book

#### A Interest rate risk

The interest rate risk of financial instruments positioned in the banking book has been defined as a change in the future cash flows of these financial instruments or in their actual market value resulting from movements in interest rates. The Board of Directors approved a set of BPV sensitivity limits and maximum interest rate exposure limits for predefined time periods which are used for monitoring and managing the interest rate risk. Positions are monitored weekly and hedging strategies are used to close potential open positions.

The sensitivity of ČSOB Group's positions to the interest rate changes (with other factors remained unchanged) is described in the tables below.

The impact of interest rate changes on the non-trading assets and liabilities is described by the sensitivity of net interest income. The impact of interest rate changes on financial assets or liabilities held for trading is expressed by the sensitivity of the Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income. Sensitivity of capital results from the revaluation of Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (2017: Available-for-sale financial assets). Shock parallel shifts of the yield curve are used to measure sensitivity.

### B Models used in interest rate risk calculation

Each position of the banking book is placed to interest rate risk report according contractual repricing date or repricing date based on behavioural model. Contractual category contains positions where is exactly determined when the maturity or the nearest repricing happens (mainly purchased and issued bonds, loans, term deposits). Behavioural category contains products where is not exactly determined when the maturity/repricing happens (i.e. current accounts) or behave differently from contractual maturity/repricing. ČSOB Group therefore created behavioural assumptions of such products based on deep analysis of historical data (analysis is re-evaluated once per year). ČSOB Group adjusts parameters of behaviour in products current and saving accounts (internal benchmarking model), future drawdown of mortgage loans and prepayments of consumer and mortgage loans. ČSOB Group also monitors potential risk from future mortgage loans prepayments.

Sensitivity to change in interest rates of the banking book as at 31 December 2018.

(EUR '000)	Growth in basis points	Net interest income sensitivity	Profit or loss sensitivity	Capital sensitivity
EUR	+10	(1,661)	(211)	(486)
CZK	+10	1	-	(1)
USD	+10	(108)	-	(131)

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Sensitivity to change in interest rates of the banking book as at 31 December 2017.

(EUR '000)	Growth in basis points	Net interest income sensitivity	Profit or loss sensitivity	Capital sensitivity
EUR	+10	(1,713)	-	(1,680)
CZK	+10	-	-	(1)
USD	+10	(36)	-	(165)

#### C Equity price risk

ČSOB Group's portfolio is not exposed to material equity price risk.

### 37.4.3 Foreign exchange risk

The foreign exchange risk of financial instruments posted in the banking book has been defined as a change in the future cash flows of these financial instruments resulting from movements in foreign exchange rates. The exchange rate risk management strategy approved by the Board of Directors does not allow any significant open currency positions to be held in non-trading portfolios. Only technically minimum open positions in foreign currencies are permitted. The limits for each currency are determined by ČSOB Group's Board of Directors. Positions are monitored daily, and hedging strategies are used to close potential open currency positions.

The table below shows an analysis of ČSOB Group's net open foreign exchange positions. The remaining currencies are included under "Other".

(EUR '000)	EUR	USD	CZK	Other *	Total
31 Dec 2018					
Financial assets					
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks (note 3)	198,811	20,599	5,202	15,623	240,235
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	60,863	-	72,877	-	133,740
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, excluding shares (note 5)	134,516	41,462	-	-	175,978
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	36,135	381	-	-	36,516
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	7,084,874	10,231	20,483	-	7,115,588
Debt securities at amortised cost (note 9)	1,784,764	35,731	-	-	1,820,495
Other financial assets (note 14)	18,844	125	2	60	19,031
Total financial assets	9,318,807	108,529	98,564	15,683	9,541,583
Financial liabilities					
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (note 16)	27,573	4,587	1,033	23,965	57,158
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost (note 17)	1,032,393	831	654	78	1,033,956
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost (note 18)	5,958,065	126,742	100,219	93,242	6,278,268
Debt securities issued at amortised cost (note 19)	1,372,128	-	-	-	1,372,128
Subordinated debt (note 20)	87,551	-	-	-	87,551
Other financial liabilities (note 22)	41,200	141	4,518	106	45,965
Total financial liabilities	8,518,910	132,301	106,424	117,391	8,875,026
Off balance sheet items – assets	4,900,300	73,830	115,399	182,000	5,271,529
Off balance sheet items - liabilities	5,032,951	51,809	107,854	79,005	5,271,619
Net FX position at 31 Dec 2018	667,246	(1,751)	(315)	1,287	666,467
Total financial assets as at 31 Dec 2017	8,777,565	91,465	109,312	39,223	9,017,565
Total financial liabilities as at 31 Dec 2017	8,004,767	138,388	123,069	110,659	8,376,883
Off balance sheet items – assets as at 31 Dec 2017	3,267,898	124,763	126,745	227,827	3,747,233
Off balance sheet items - liabilities as at 31 Dec 2017	3,404,951	77,487	112,872	151,766	3,747,076
Net FX position at 31 Dec 2017	635,745	353	116	4,625	640,839

<sup>\*</sup> mainly position in currency AUD, TRY, PLN, GBP and RUB.

As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, ČSOB Group had no significant net FX position.

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37.5 Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of a potential negative deviation from the expected value of the organization resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems or from sudden man-made or natural external events.

Operational risk also includes legal risk. In the event of failure, the reputation of ČSOB Group may be damaged and the legal and regulatory consequences may cause financial losses. It is not possible to exclude all operational risk, but operational risk can be managed by regular monitoring actions and by actions taken against the possible risks.

Operational risk is managed by the implementation of key controls defined by the KBC Group, evaluating and addressing the risk identified in banking processes and a proactive approach to potential risks. The mitigation of operational risk is also ensured via application of insurance.

Regularly reviewed plans for business continuity performance ensure that, in the event of failure, ČSOB Group will be able to perform its activities. The objective of these plans is to minimize the impacts of unexpected events on banking activity.

### 38 Current and non-current assets and liabilities

The following table shows the distribution of assets, liabilities and equity based on expected settlement.

		31 Dec 2018		31 Dec 2017			
(EUR '000)	Current	Non-current	Total	Current	Non-current	Total	
Assets							
Cash, balances with central bank and demand deposit with banks (note 3)	240,235	-	240,235	295,046	-	295,046	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 4)	5,192	128,548	133,740	25,971	24,518	50,489	
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (note 5)	9,950	174,628	184,578	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Available-for-sale financial assets (note 6)	n/a	n/a	n/a	167,553	326,505	494,058	
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost (note 7)	28,186	8,330	36,516	94,325	7,778	102,103	
Loans and receivables from customers at amortised cost (note 8)	1,474,904	5,640,684	7,115,588	1,351,571	5,224,705	6,576,276	
Debt securities at amortised cost (note 9)	172,663	1,647,832	1,820,495	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Held-to-maturity investments (note 10)	n/a	n/a	n/a	34,373	1,457,370	1,491,743	
Current income tax asset (note 32)	2,109	-	2,109	4,382	-	4,382	
Deferred income tax asset (note 32)	-	19,000	19,000	-	18,147	18,147	
Property and equipment (note 11)	-	167,732	167,732	-	160,565	160,565	
Intangible assets (note 12)	-	12,956	12,956	-	9,221	9,221	
Assets held for sale (note 13)	1,124	-	1,124	1,477	-	1,477	
Other assets (note 14)	16,487	5,664	22,151	16,785	709	17,494	
Total assets	1,950,850	7,805,374	9,756,224	1,991,483	7,229,518	9,221,001	
Liabilities and equity							
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (note 16)	8,957	48,201	57,158	28,411	52,777	81,188	
Amounts owed to financial institutions at amortised cost (note 17)	614,020	419,936	1,033,956	537,375	308,859	846,234	
Amounts owed to customers at amortised cost (note 18)	2,832,501	3,445,767	6,278,268	2,812,042	3,240,121	6,052,163	
Debt securities issued at amortised cost (note 19)	209,435	1,162,693	1,372,128	439,878	833,979	1,273,857	
Subordinated debt (note 20)	51	87,500	87,551	43	87,500	87,543	
Provisions (note 21)	-	8,537	8,537	-	7,213	7,213	
Current income tax liability	140	-	140	681	-	681	
Other liabilities (note 22)	54,262	10,469	64,731	50,361	4,754	55,115	
Equity (note 24)	-	853,755	853,755	-	817,007	817,007	
Total liabilities and equity	3,719,366	6,036,858	9,756,224	3,868,791	5,352,210	9,221,001	

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39 Capital

From 1 January 2014, ČSOB Group actively manages the volume of its capital in accordance with the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council (EU) No 575/2013 of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (hereinafter "Regulation (EU) No 575/2013" or "CRR"). The required volume of capital requirements is set up by Joint Capital Decision (hereinafter "JCD") and by local regulator, which is responsible for setting of capital buffers. ČSOB Group actively manages Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 4.50%, a Tier 1 capital ratio of 6.00% and a total capital ratio of 8.00% and maintains a capital conservation buffer in the form of common equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 2.50% of its total risk exposure. ČSOB Group maintains a systematically important institution buffer (O-SII) of 1.00% (31.12.2017: 1.00%) its total risk exposure and a countercyclical buffer of 1.25% (31.12.2017: 0.50%).

ČSOB Group regularly evaluates the adequacy of internal capital, through the Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process ("ICAAP"), to cover the risks to which ČSOB Group's activity is exposed. ČSOB Group has an integrated process of internal capital management to existing risk management systems. Within ICAAP ČSOB Group applies a qualitative and quantitative approach to risk assessment.

The primary objective of ČSOB Group is to maintain strong capital resources to meet the regulatory requirements, preserve its credibility and ensure continuity in its activities. The Board of Directors regularly reviews the principles of management and distribution of ČSOB Group's capital.

ČSOB Group manages its capital structure with respect to the changes in economic environment and changes in risk profile of its activities.

(EUR '000)	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Own funds	889,599	887,737
Tier 1 Capital	783,044	781,600
Common Equity Tier 1 Capital (CET 1)	783,044	781,600
Share capital	295,015	295,015
Share premium	484,726	484,726
Legal reserve fund	59,003	49,601
Retained earnings	148,266	117,384
Eligible profit	20,822	70,027
Accumulated other comprehensive income	8,584	16,073
Value adjustments due to the requirements for prudent valuation	(627)	(1,010)
Software	(12,956)	(9,221)
Other revaluation reserve	(216,162)	(216,162)
Other deduction *	(1,639)	n/a
IRB shortfall of credit risk adjustments to expected losses	(1,988)	(24,833)
Tier 2 Capital	106,555	106,137
Subordinated debt	87,551	87,543
IRB Excess of impairment losses over expected losses eligible	19,004	18,594

<sup>\*</sup> From the first quarter 2018, ČSOB Bank is required to deduct the Irrevocable payment commitment to European Resolution Fund (15% of the cumulative annual contributions) from Own funds. As at 31 December 2018, the amount was EUR 1,639 thousand. See note 23.1.

As at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, ČSOB Group met the obligatory capital requirements based on the reports submitted to management.

### 40 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents consist of the following items.

(EUR '000)	Note	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017
Cash, balances with central bank and other demand deposits with banks	3	240,235	295,046
Loans and receivables from financial institutions at amortised cost – loans and receivables from banks		474	87,274
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss - loans and receivables from banks	4	-	12,775
Total		240,709	395,095

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### 41 Post balance sheet events

From 31 December 2018, up to the date of issue of these financial statements, there were no such events identified that would require adjustments to or disclosure in these financial statements.

These Consolidated Financial Statements were approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on 19 March 2019.

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Chief Executive Officer

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