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Condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position

in CHF	Notes	30 June 2022	31 December 2021	30 June 2021
ASSETS				
Cash and balances with central banks		5,297,491,614	5,589,152,222	3,420,446,594
Treasury bills and other eligible bills		456,136,950	242,290,309	409,371,382
Due from banks		1,690,252,476	1,335,970,068	2,975,198,277
Derivative financial instruments		136,654,912	92,688,397	151,034,916
Trading assets		2,657,529	5,856,891	6,644,494
Loans		951,729,455	819,593,923	744,642,968
Investment securities	12	1,447,725,099	737,203,239	626,630,936
Investment in joint venture		8,253,000	11,159,753	11,921,088
Deferred income tax assets		2,227,098	3,839,967	2,353,503
Intangible assets	13	55,975,512	44,527,773	45,522,459
Information technology systems	14	64,332,137	56,764,930	56,760,422
Property, plant and equipment	15	68,683,570	69,966,293	68,785,511
Other assets		78,638,005	44,821,745	58,230,979
Total assets		10,260,757,357	9,053,835,510	8,577,543,529
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY Liabilities				
Deposits from banks		298,418,938	247,605,557	289,003,536
Derivative financial instruments		98,081,424	53,210,953	52,162,918
Financial liabilities designated at fair value		12,333,445	=	=
Due to customers		9,059,297,295	7,955,232,932	7,529,387,951
Other liabilities		101,922,700	151,486,773	135,129,083
Current income tax liabilities		16,783,748	18,160,514	15,470,310
Deferred tax liabilities		1,347,353	1,670,869	1,631,719
Provisions		9,186,431	11,008,579	10,714,993
Total liabilities		9,597,371,334	8,438,376,177	8,033,500,510
Equity				
Ordinary shares		3,065,634	3,065,634	3,065,634
Share premium		57,456,111	56,422,625	54,840,121
Share option reserve		4,205,528	3,154,374	2,832,679
Other reserve		(11,349,409)	(18,837,928)	(7,645,577)
Treasury shares		(33,820,810)	(27,656,922)	(30,499,636)
Retained earnings		643,828,969	599,311,550	521,449,798
Total equity		663,386,023	615,459,333	544,043,019
Total liabilities and equity		10,260,757,357	9,053,835,510	8,577,543,529

Condensed consolidated interim income statement

	6 months ended 30 June				
in CHF	Notes	2022	2021		
Fee and commission income		111,869,528	164,519,139		
Fee and commission expense		(11,110,471)	(14,163,291)		
Net fee and commission income	6	100,759,057	150,355,848		
Interest income		21,274,520	13,007,804		
Interest expense (incl. negative interest on assets)		(17,150,211)	(13,997,177)		
Other interest income		12,146,931	9,789,722		
Other interest expense		(1,335,370)	(752,016)		
Net interest income	7	14,935,870	8,048,333		
Net trading income	8	84,788,289	105,135,667		
Operating income		200,483,216	263,539,848		
Credit loss (expense) / release	11	(471,540)	869,901		
Operating expenses	9	(106,438,851)	(129,258,393)		
Net result from investment in joint venture		(2,906,753)	(509,759)		
Operating profit		90,666,072	134,641,597		
Income tax expense		(13,561,465)	(18,290,546)		
Net profit		77,104,607	116,351,051		
SHARE INFORMATION					
Earnings per share	10	5.14	7.83		
Diluted earnings per share	10	5.10	7.71		
Weighted average number of shares	10	14,986,430	14,855,455		

Condensed consolidated interim statement of comprehensive income

		6 months ended 30 June			
in CHF	Notes	2022	2021		
NET PROFIT		77,104,607	116,351,051		
Other comprehensive income: Gains/(losses) recognised directly in equity					
Items that may be reclassified to the income statement					
Investment securities measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI):					
Net realised gains/(losses) reclassified to the income statement from equity		-	(6,535)		
Income tax effect		-	850		
Currency translation differences		(3,178,406)	1,226,522		
Total other comprehensive income / (loss) that may be reclassified to the income statement		(3,178,406)	1,220,837		
Items that will not be reclassified to the income statement					
Investment securities measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI equities):					
Net unrealised (losses)/gains		(2,153,916)	1,046,541		
Income tax effect		284,317	(136,050)		
Defined benefit obligation:					
Remeasurement	4	14,443,000	5,954,000		
Income tax effect		(1,906,476)	(774,020)		
Total other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to the income statement		10,666,925	6,090,471		
Other comprehensive income for the period (net of tax)		7,488,519	7,311,308		

Condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity

in CHF	Notes	Ordinary shares	Share premium	Share option reserve	Other reserve	Treasury shares	Retained earnings	Total
BALANCE AS AT 1 JANUARY 2022		3,065,634	56,422,625	3,154,374	(18,837,928)	(27,656,922)	599,311,550	615,459,333
Net profit of the period							77,104,607	77,104,607
Investment securities FVOCI & FVOCI equities		_	_	_	(2,153,916)	_	_	(2,153,916)
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligation	4	_		_	14,443,000			14,443,000
Income tax effect (aggregated)					(1,622,159)			(1,622,159)
Currency translation differences					(3,178,406)			(3,178,406)
Total comprehensive income for the period					7,488,519		77,104,607	84,593,126
Dividend		_					(33,022,904)	(33,022,904)
Employee stock option plan:								
Amortisation of services		_		1,486,870				1,486,870
Stock options exercised, lapsed or forfeited		_		(435,716)			435,716	
Treasury shares:								
Purchase		_				(8,510,968)		(8,510,968)
Sale/remittance			1,033,486			2,347,080		3,380,566
Balance as at 30 June 2022		3,065,634	57,456,111	4,205,528	(11,349,409)	(33,820,810)	643,828,969	663,386,023

Condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity (continued)

in CHF	Notes	Ordinary shares	Share premium	Share option reserve	Other reserve	Treasury shares	Retained earnings	Total
BALANCE AS AT 1 JANUARY 2021		3,065,634	54,437,365	2,557,489	(14,956,885)	(31,718,631)	426,796,466	440,181,438
Net profit of the period							116,351,051	116,351,051
Investment securities FVOCI & FVOCI equities		_			1,040,006			1,040,006
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligation	4	_	_		5,954,000			5,954,000
Income tax effect (aggregated)		_			(909,220)			(909,220)
Currency translation differences		_			1,226,522			1,226,522
Total comprehensive income for the period		<u> </u>			7,311,308		116,351,051	123,662,359
Dividend							(22,327,073)	(22,327,073)
Employee stock option plan:								
Amortisation of services		_	_	904,544				904,544
Stock options exercised, lapsed or forfeited		_		(629,354)			629,354	
Treasury shares:								
Purchase		_	_			(2,808,059)		(2,808,059)
Sale/remittance		_	402,756			4,027,054		4,429,810
Balance as at 30 June 2021		3,065,634	54,840,121	2,832,679	(7,645,577)	(30,499,636)	521,449,798	544,043,019

Condensed consolidated interim statement of cash flows

		6 months ended	30 June
in CHF	Notes	2022	2021
Cash flow from/(used in) operating activities: Fee and commission received		106,952,453	170,018,904
Fee and commission paid		(9,684,560)	
Interest received			(13,460,375) 18,189,716
		23,606,435	
Interest paid		(18,150,449)	(17,086,672)
Net trading income received		84,750,982	106,738,917
Income tax paid		(16,164,997)	(9,871,875)
Payments to employees		(69,542,550)	(54,072,106)
Payments to suppliers		(73,738,736)	(34,974,600)
Cash flow from operating profit before changes in operating assets and liabilities		28,028,578	165,481,909
Net change in operating assets and liabilities:			
Treasury bills and other eligible bills (above 3 months)		(153,087,585)	(24,069,422)
Due from banks (above 3 months)		(103,419,322)	17,414,255
Derivative financial instruments (assets)		(43,966,515)	(37,631,792)
Trading assets		2,325,731	(179,050)
Loans		(118,844,423)	(193,246,080)
Derivative financial instruments (liabilities)		44,870,471	(15,286,200)
Issuance/repayment of financial liabilities designated at fair value		13,183,919	(13,200,200)
Due to customers		770,266,512	962,954,455
Net cash from operating activities	· —	439,357,366	875,438,075
Cash flow from/(used in) investing activities:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and information technology systems	14/15	(20,435,875)	(15,362,700)
Proceeds from sale and reimbursement of investment securities		84,105,351	57,250,771
Purchase of investment securities		(794,419,506)	(193,453,446)
Purchase of subsidiary, net of cash acquired	13	299,844,443	-
Purchase of joint venture		_	(5,500,000)
Net cash used in investing activities		(430,905,587)	(157,065,375)
Cash flow from/(used in) financing activities:			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(1 977 122)	(1 550 200)
		(1,877,123)	(1,559,208)
Purchase of treasury shares		(8,510,968)	(2,808,059)
Sale of treasury shares		3,163,024	4,298,555
Dividend and reimbursement from reserves	. — –	(33,022,904)	(22,327,073)
Net cash used in financing activities		(40,247,971)	(22,395,785)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	· —	(31,796,192)	695,976,915
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1 January		6,354,966,064	5,122,953,383
Exchange difference on cash and cash equivalents		1,340,637	10,711,095
Cash and cash equivalents as at 30 June ¹		6,324,510,509	5,829,641,393
Cash and cash equivalents:	· _	5 207 424 544	2 422 446 52
Cash and balances with central banks		5,297,491,614	3,420,446,594
Treasury bills and other eligible bills (less than 3 months)		151,742,739	115,499,557
Due from banks (less than 3 months)		1,173,695,094	2,582,698,778
Deposits from banks		(298,418,938)	(289,003,536)
Total as at 30 June ¹		6,324,510,509	5,829,641,393

 $^{^{1}\,}$ CHF 378.0 million and CHF 335.8 million of cash and cash equivalents were restricted as at 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2021, respectively.

1 Scope of operations and general information

Swissquote Group Holding Ltd (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together the "Group") provide a comprehensive suite of online financial services to a broad spectrum of customers, ranging from retail investors, affluent investors to professional and institutional customers. The Group operates in Switzerland through Swissquote Bank Ltd (the "Bank") and globally under the Swissquote brand with offices located in the United Arab Emirates (Dubai), Europe (United Kingdom, Luxembourg, Malta and since 2022 Romania), the Republic of China (Hong Kong) and Asia Pacific (Singapore). The Group's headquarters are located in Gland (Canton of Vaud), Switzerland.

The following changes occurred during the first half year 2022. Firstly on 19 January 2022, a new subsidiary named Swissquote Tech Hub Bucharest S.R.L. was incorporated in Romania. This fully owned subsidiary is active in computer programming, with the aim to provide software development services to the Group. Secondly on 29 April 2022, the Group acquired Keytrade Bank Luxembourg SA, which was subsequently merged with another group entity. Reference is made to Note 13.

At the Annual General Meeting held on 6 May 2022, the shareholders resolved on the payment of dividend of CHF 2.20 per share (6 May 2021: dividend of CHF 1.50 per share).

2 Accounting policies and presentation matters

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements are prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting". The condensed consolidated interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the 2021 consolidated financial statements. The accounting policies used in the preparation of the Interim Financial Statements are consistent with those used in the Annual Financial Statements, with the exception of:

Financial liabilities designated at fair value: the Group has become in 2022 an issuer of structured products. All issued products are designated as "Financial liabilities designated at fair value". The fair value option is applied to these issued products to reduce the accounting mismatch between the recognised assets (mainly investment securities at fair value through profit or loss) and the offsetting liabilities.

3 Adoption of new and revised international financial reporting standards

3.1 Standards, amendments and interpretations effective on or after 1 January 2022

There are no IFRS or IFRIC interpretations, effective for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 January 2022, with a material impact on the Group.

3.2 Standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

The Group did not early adopt new or amended standards in 2022.

4 Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In preparing these interim financial statements, management has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 (Section V: Critical accounting judgement and sources of estimation uncertainty, pages 43-44).

As at 30 June 2022, the Group believes the assumptions that have been made are appropriate under the circumstances and that these interim financial statements are fairly presented in all aspects.

Key assumptions are described below (to be read in conjunction with the Section V of the 2021 consolidated financial statements):

Impairment test in respect of goodwill: during the period under review, the Group acquired Keytrade Bank Luxembourg SA, whose goodwill was allocated to the existing cash-generating unit of Swissquote Bank Europe SA. The acquired company was valued using a dividend discount model for which a discount rate specific to Keytrade was determined (10.2%). The transaction is described in Note 13.

Employee benefits: during the period under review, the discount rate used in the determination of the net defined benefit obligation increased from 0.25% to 2.20%. This change required the Group to decrease the pension plan liability by CHF 14.4 million down to a total amount of CHF 14.4 million.

Measurement of the expected credit loss and impairment allowance: reference is made to Note 11.

5 Reportable segments

The analysis of reportable segments for the 6-month period ending 30 June 2022 and 2021 is as follows:

	6 months ended 3	6 months ended 30 June			
CHF	2022	2021			
OPERATING INCOME BY GEOGRAPHY					
Securities trading					
Switzerland	133,174,954	184,006,839			
Europe	8,229,063	8,903,912			
Middle East	4,021,370	6,641,861			
Asia Pacific	708,625	985,941			
Subtotal securities trading	146,134,012	200,538,553			
Leveraged forex					
Switzerland	44,076,357	53,104,928			
Europe	1,317,251	1,202,765			
Middle East	5,117,628	5,318,618			
Asia Pacific	3,837,968	3,374,984			
Subtotal leveraged forex	54,349,204	63,001,295			
Total operating income	200,483,216	263,539,848			
Total unallocated expenses	(109,817,144)	(128,898,251)			
Operating profit	90,666,072	134,641,597			

The geographical split reflects the location of the office that manages the client relationship.

	6 months ended 3	6 months ended 30 June			
in CHF	2022	2021			
OPERATING INCOME BY PROPUGE					
OPERATING INCOME BY PRODUCT					
Securities trading					
Cash and foreign exchange	46,071,565	49,797,134			
Shares	33,842,586	51,369,310			
ETFs and investment funds	9,191,685	9,028,103			
Structured products and derivatives	12,754,017	15,210,356			
Crypto assets	19,453,580	63,238,421			
Fixed income and others	24,820,579	11,895,229			
Subtotal securities trading	146,134,012	200,538,553			
Leveraged forex					
Foreign exchange	31,189,510	30,885,139			
Contracts-for-difference	13,739,148	20,270,438			
Precious metals	9,420,546	11,845,718			
Subtotal leveraged forex	54,349,204	63,001,295			
Total operating income	200,483,216	263,539,848			
Total unallocated expenses	(109,817,144)	(128,898,251)			
Operating profit	90,666,072	134,641,597			

6 Net fee and commission income

	6 months ended 30 June				
in CHF	2022	2021			
Brokerage and related income	76,273,481	143,596,939			
Custody and account fees	11,830,886	9,855,120			
Other commission income	11,110,707	7,364,145			
Advertising and subscription fees	12,654,454	3,702,935			
Total fee and commission income	111,869,528	164,519,139			
Fee and commission expense	(11,110,471)	(14,163,291)			
Total net fee and commission income	100,759,057	150,355,848			

7 Net interest income

			6 months ended	30 June
	Activities excluding			
in CHF	FX swaps	FX swaps	2022	2021
Interest income				
Investment securities	6,150,418	-	6,150,418	2,367,071
Loans and due to customers	12,913,909	-	12,913,909	9,512,495
Due from banks	2,210,193	_	2,210,193	1,128,238
Total interest income	21,274,520		21,274,520	13,007,804
Interest expense				
Cash and balances with central bank, treasury bills and loans	(5,005,561)	(9,546,437)	(14,551,998)	(11,787,985)
Due to banks and due from banks	(1,844,971)		(1,844,971)	(1,753,098)
Investment securities	(682,978)	_	(682,978)	(370,702)
Due to customers and others	(70,264)	_	(70,264)	(85,392)
Total interest expense	(7,603,774)	(9,546,437)	(17,150,211)	(13,997,177)
Other interest income				
Derivative financial instruments		12,146,931	12,146,931	9,263,472
Loans	_	_	-	526,250
Total other interest income		12,146,931	12,146,931	9,789,722
Other interest expense				
Derivative financial instruments	(433,019)	(902,351)	(1,335,370)	(752,016)
Total other interest expense	(433,019)	(902,351)	(1,335,370)	(752,016)
Total net interest income	13,237,727	1,698,143	14,935,870	8,048,333

7 Net interest income (continued)

As at 30 June 2022, negative interest impact is as follows:

	6 months en	ded 30 June
n CHF	2022	2021
Negative interest on liabilities	3,110,666	1,754,124
Negative interest on assets	(16,744,429)	(13,406,466)
Total	(13,633,763)	(11,652,342)
Cost of negative interest rates (excluding FX swaps)	(4,087,326)	(2,405,892)

Negative interest on liabilities is included in interest income and negative interest on assets is part of interest expense.

On 16 June 2022, the Swiss National Bank raised its reference interest rate by 50bps up to -0.25%. Consequently, the Group decided to adapt the negative rate conditions for clients' accounts exceeding CHF 0.5 million.

8 Net trading income

	6 months ended 3	0 June
in CHF	2022	2021
Foreign exchange revenues:		
From leveraged forex	54,349,204	63,001,295
From other foreign exchange income	30,751,572	41,106,277
Unrealised fair value gains/(losses):		
From trading assets	(515,898)	394,498
From others	(180,712)	(8,927)
Realised gains:		·
From trading assets and investment securities	384,123	642,524
Net trading income	84,788,289	105,135,667

9 Operating expenses

	6 months ended 30 June		
in CHF Payroll and related expenses Other operating expenses	2022	2021	
	51,917,882	70,257,456	
	28,123,031	27,023,003	
Marketing expenses	11,960,449	14,191,356	
Depreciation and amortisation	15,622,913	14,974,726	
Provisions	(1,185,424)	2,811,852	
Total	106,438,851	129,258,393	

 $Payroll\ and\ related\ expenses\ comprise\ an\ amount\ of\ CHF\ 3.1\ million\ related\ to\ variable\ remuneration\ (2021:\ CHF\ 20.5\ million).$

During the first half-year 2022, the Group could release a provision for litigation.

10 Earnings per share

Basic

Basic earnings per share are calculated by dividing the net profit attributable to shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year, excluding the average number of ordinary shares purchased and held as treasury shares.

	6 months er	6 months ended 30 June		
	2022	2021		
Net profit (CHF)	77,104,607	116,351,051		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	14,986,430	14,855,455		
Earnings per share (CHF)	5.14	7.83		

Diluted

Diluted earnings per share are calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. Share options are the only type of dilutive potential ordinary shares: a calculation is performed to determine the number of shares that could have been acquired at fair value

(determined at the average annual market share price of the Group's shares) based on the monetary value of the subscription rights attached to outstanding share options. The number of shares calculated as above is compared with the number of shares that would have been issued assuming the exercise of the share options.

	6 months ended 30 June		
	2022	2021	
Net profit (CHF)	77,104,607	116,351,051	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares	14,986,430	14,855,455	
Adjustments for share options	130,865	233,848	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for diluted earnings per share options	15,117,295	15,089,303	
Diluted earnings per share (CHF)	5.10	7.71	

11 Impairment loss allowance (IFRS 9)

The following tables explain the changes in the impairment loss allowance during the period:

					6 months ende	d 30 June
in CHF	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	2022	2021
MOVEMENTS, GROSS OF TAX, THAT DO REDUCE THE CARRYING AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS:						
Impairment allowance under IFRS 9 as at 1 January 2022	1,176,398	108,452	48,474,823	49,759,673	_	_
Addition through acquisition	410,636		992,517	1,403,153		_
Transfers from stage 1 to stage 3		_	1,130,654	1,130,654	(1,130,654)	(13,584)
Transfers from stage 1 to stage 2	_	_	_	_	_	(49,223)
Derecognitions and new purchases	382,735	_	_	382,735	(382,735)	(122,770)
Changes in assumptions (PD, EAD and LGD)	272,437	(11,280)	_	261,157	(261,157)	285,874
Write-offs	_	_	(871,342)	(871,342)	-	_
Recoveries and other movements	_	_	(842,277)	(842,277)	1,303,006	769,270
Impairment allowance under IFRS 9 as at 30 June 2022	2,242,206	97,172	48,884,375	51,223,753	_	_
MOVEMENTS, GROSS OF TAX, THAT DO NOT REDUCE THE CARRYING AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS:						
Impairment allowance under IFRS as at 1 January 2022					_	
Derecognitions				_	-	334
Changes in assumptions (PD, EAD and LGD)	_		_	_	-	_
Total as at 30 June 2022	2,242,206	97,172	48,884,375	51,223,753	-	_
Total as at 1 January 2022	1,176,398	108,452	48,474,823	49,759,673	_	_
Credit loss (expense) / release					(471,540)	869,901

During the period under review, the Group could recover part of stage 3 balances (CHF 1.1 million), but was offset by transfers from stage 1 to stage 3 for CHF 1.1 million. At the same time, changes in IFRS 9 assumptions (mainly changes in probability of default of counterparties) and new purchases of investment securities impacted the impairment allowance for CHF 0.6 million. In that context, the credit loss expense amounted to CHF 0.5 million (2021: credit loss release of CHF 0.9 million).

12 Investment securities

in CHF	30 June 202	22		
	Carrying value	Fair value		
FVTPL	28,283,247	28,283,247		
FVOCI equities	18,418,692	18,418,692		
Amortised cost	1,401,023,160	1,361,841,962		
Total as at 30 June	1,447,725,099	1,408,543,901		
in CHF	31 December 2021			
	Carrying value	Fair value		
FVTPL	10,101,608	10,101,608		
FVOCI equities	19,623,083	19,623,083		
Amortised cost	707,478,548	712,639,307		
Total as at 31 December	737,203,239	742,363,998		

The increase in investment securities was driven by purchases of high credit quality bonds with a duration of 2 to 5 years.

13 Intangible assets and business combination

in CHF	Goodwill	Customer relationships	Total
6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2022			
Opening net book amount	44,527,773		44,527,773
Addition	11,940,800	=	11,940,800
Currency translation differences	(493,061)	=	(493,061)
Closing net book amount as at 30 June 2022	55,975,512	_	55,975,512
6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2021			
Opening net book amount	44,760,816	767,961	45,528,777
Addition		=	_
Amortisation/depreciation	=	(88,610)	(88,610)
Currency translation differences	82,292		82,292
Closing net book amount as at 30 June 2021	44,843,108	679,351	45,522,459

 $The \ addition \ of \ CHF \ 11.9 \ million \ is \ due \ to \ the \ acquisition \ of \ Keytrade \ Bank \ Luxembourg \ SA \ (see \ next \ page).$

13 Intangible assets and business combination (continued) Acquisition of Keytrade Bank Luxembourg SA

On 29 April 2022, the Group completed the acquisition of 100% of the share capital of Keytrade Bank Luxembourg SA ("Keytrade"). Keytrade was subsequently merged with Swissquote Bank Europe SA ("SQBE"), an existing Group entity also incorporated in Luxembourg. At the same time, Keytrade's customers were migrated to Swissquote's platform.

The business combination was carried out as part of the European growth strategy of the Group. With approximately 8,000 customers and total client assets of CHF 1.7 billion, this acquisition enabled the Group to establish its regional footprint and gain market share in the European Union.

Consideration agreed for the acquisition was EUR 35.2 million (CHF 36.1 million) and was paid fully in cash at closing date. The result of the acquisition is detailed as follows:

in CHF	Fair value
Cash and balances with central bank	235,472,767
Due from banks	100,511,541
Loans	15,173,537
Deferred income tax assets	152,339
Other assets	103,488
Due to customers	(325,594,228)
Other liabilities	(690,926)
Current income tax liabilities	(720,525)
Provisions	(208,928)
Net assets acquired	24,199,065
Goodwill (intangible assets)	11,940,800
Total consideration	36,139,865
of which satisfied by cash	36,139,865
Purchase consideration settled in cash	36,139,865
Cash and cash equivalents in subsidiary acquired	335,984,308
Cash inflow on acquisition	299,844,443

The Group measured separately the recognisable identified assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as of the acquisition date in accordance with the requirement of IFRS 3. The total identifiable net assets of Keytrade were measured at CHF 24.2 million and the goodwill was valued at CHF 11.9 million (EUR 11.6 million). None of the goodwill recognised is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

For the purpose of impairment testing, the goodwill related to Keytrade business combination was allocated to the existing cash-generating unit of SQBE, which is expected to benefit from the synergies of the corresponding business combination.

Acquisition-related costs amounted to approximately CHF 1.2 million and were recognised in operating expenses (CHF 0.4 million in 2021 and CHF 0.8 million in 2022).

14 Information technology systems

in CHF	Software third-party licences	Proprietary software	Hardware & telecom systems	Total
6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2022				
Opening net book amount	4,008,605	48,421,112	4,335,213	56,764,930
Addition	54,636	17,467,473	2,005,224	19,527,333
Amortisation/depreciation	(623,281)	(9,883,532)	(1,453,313)	(11,960,126)
Closing net book amount as at 30 June 2022	3,439,960	56,005,053	4,887,124	64,332,137
6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2021				
Opening net book amount	4,653,236	51,828,823	4,310,591	60,792,650
Addition	357,889	12,324,067	2,059,028	14,740,984
Sale/contribution to joint venture		(6,930,847)	_	(6,930,847)
Amortisation/depreciation	(689,674)	(9,880,537)	(1,272,154)	(11,842,365)
Closing net book amount as at 30 June 2021	4,321,451	47,341,506	5,097,465	56,760,422

Proprietary software comprises software development costs and purchased software in connection with the design and improvements of the products, services and systems of the Group. As at 30 June 2022, additions to information technology systems include an amount of CHF 11.7 million (2021: CHF 7.4 million) representing own costs capitalised according to IAS 38.

15 Property, plant and equipment

in CHF	Land and building	Right-of-use assets	Leasehold improvements	Equipment	Total
6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2022					
Opening net book amount	49,852,462	15,072,456	2,904,637	2,136,738	69,966,293
Addition	16,555	1,471,522	468,836	423,151	2,380,064
Amortisation/depreciation	(1,130,605)	(1,848,413)	(391,917)	(291,852)	(3,662,787)
Closing net book amount as at 30 June 2022	48,738,412	14,695,565	2,981,556	2,268,037	68,683,570
6 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2021					
Opening net book amount	53,061,532	13,560,083	2,562,278	1,786,351	70,970,244
Addition	42,881	237,304	378,705	200,130	859,020
Amortisation/depreciation	(1,130,605)	(1,480,519)	(290,664)	(141,965)	(3,043,753)
Closing net book amount as at 30 June 2021	51,973,808	12,316,868	2,650,319	1,844,516	68,785,511

16 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

in CHF	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair value	Carrying amount
AS AT 30 JUNE 2022					
Assets measured at fair value					
Derivative financial instruments	58,766,812	77,888,100	_	136,654,912	136,654,912
Trading assets	2,657,529		_	2,657,529	2,657,529
Investment securities	23,127,104	23,574,836	_	46,701,940	46,701,940
Other assets (precious metals)	30,688,778	_	_	30,688,778	30,688,778
Total assets measured at fair value	115,240,223	101,462,936		216,703,159	216,703,159
Assets not measured at fair value					
Cash and balances with central banks					5,297,491,614
Treasury bills and other eligible bills		-			456,136,950
Due from banks				_	1,690,252,476
Loans					951,729,455
Investments securities	473,614,809	888,227,153	<u> </u>	1,361,841,962	1,401,023,159
Investment in joint venture					8,253,000
Deferred income tax assets					2,227,098
Intangible assets					55,975,512
Information technology systems					64,332,137
Property, plant and equipment					68,683,570
Other assets					47,949,227
Total assets not measured at fair value	473,614,809	888,227,153		1,361,841,962	10,044,054,198
Total assets	588,855,032	989,690,089		1,578,545,121	10,260,757,357
Liabilities measured at fair value					
Financial liabilities designated at fair value		12,333,445	_	12,333,445	12,333,445
Derivative financial instruments	13,472,013	84,609,411	_	98,081,424	98,081,424
Total liabilities measured at fair value	13,472,013	96,942,856	_	110,414,869	110,414,869
Liabilities not measured at fair value					
Deposits from banks					298,418,938
Due to customers		-			9,059,297,295
Other liabilities		-			101,922,700
Current income tax liabilities				_	16,783,748
Deferred tax liabilities		-			1,347,353
Provisions					9,186,431
Total liabilities not measured at fair value					9,486,956,465
Total liabilities	13,472,013	96,942,856	<u> </u>	110,414,869	9,597,371,334

16 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Level 2 investment securities comprise mainly foreign currency bonds that are traded through over-the-counter market and therefore do not qualify as level 1. Reference is made to Note 12.

Assets measured at fair value

Investment securities measured at fair value comprise financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (30 June 2022: CHF 28.3 million of which CHF 17.6 million is classified as level 2) and financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income equities (30 June 2022: CHF 18.4 million of which CHF 5.9 million is classified as level 2).

Assets and liabilities not measured at fair value

Investment securities not measured at fair value comprise investment securities classified as amortised cost. For all other assets and liabilities not measured at fair value, the carrying amount is assessed to be a reasonable approximation of fair value.

16 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

in CHF	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair value	Carrying amount
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021					
Assets measured at fair value					
Derivative financial instruments	44,301,852	48,386,545	_	92,688,397	92,688,397
Trading assets	5,856,891		_	5,856,891	5,856,891
Investment securities	13,991,763	15,732,928		29,724,691	29,724,691
Other assets (precious metals)	26,759,776	_	_	26,759,776	26,759,776
Total assets measured at fair value	90,910,282	64,119,473		155,029,755	155,029,755
Assets not measured at fair value					
Cash and balances with central banks	·		. ,		5,589,152,222
Treasury bills and other eligible bills	 -				242,290,309
Due from banks	·				1,335,970,068
Loans	·				819,593,923
Investments securities	302,155,982	405,322,566	_	712,639,307	707,478,548
Investment in joint venture	·				11,159,753
Deferred income tax assets	·				3,839,967
Intangible assets					44,527,773
Information technology systems					56,764,930
Property, plant and equipment					69,966,293
Other assets				_	18,061,969
Total assets not measured at fair value	302,155,982	405,322,566		712,639,307	8,898,805,755
Total assets	393,066,264	469,442,039		867,669,062	9,053,835,510
Liabilities measured at fair value					
Derivative financial instruments	7,042,897	46,168,056		53,210,953	53,210,953
Total liabilities measured at fair value	7,042,897	46,168,056		53,210,953	53,210,953
Liabilities not measured at fair value					
Deposits from banks		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			247,605,557
Due to customers	·				7,955,232,932
Other liabilities	·				151,486,773
Current income tax liabilities					18,160,514
Deferred tax liabilities					1,670,869
Provisions					11,008,579
Total liabilities not measured at fair value					8,385,165,224
Total liabilities	7,042,897	46,168,056		53,210,953	8,438,376,177

16 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued) Assets measured at fair value

Investment securities measured at fair value comprise financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (31 December 2021: CHF 10.1 million of which CHF 8.7 million is classified as level 2), financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (31 December 2021: CHF 19.6 million of which CHF 7.1 million is classified as level 2).

Assets and liabilities not measured at fair value

Investment securities not measured at fair value comprise investment securities classified as amortised cost. For all other assets and liabilities not measured at fair value, the carrying amount is assessed to be a reasonable approximation of fair value.



Report on the Review of condensed consolidated interim financial statements to the Board of Directors of Swissquote Group Holding Ltd, Gland

Introduction

We have reviewed the condensed consolidated interim financial statements (statement of financial position, income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flows and notes) (pages 2 to 20) of Swissquote Group Holding Ltd for the period from 1 January 2022 to 30 June 2022. The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting". Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these condensed consolidated interim financial statements based on our review.

Scope of Review

We conducted our review in accordance with Swiss Auditing Standard 910 and International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, "Review of interim financial information performed by the independent auditor of the entity". A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Swiss Auditing Standards and International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the condensed consolidated interim financial statements have not been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting".

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