Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. Consolidated Financial Statements For The Years Ended 31 December 2018 and 2017 With Independent Auditors' Report

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Report of Independent Auditors

The Board of Directors Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd.

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. ("the Company") and its subsidiaries as of 31 December 2018 and 2017, and the related consolidated statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including the summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, based on our audits, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries as of 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, and the consolidated financial performance and cash flows for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017, in conformity with the requirements of the Regulations Governing Securities Investment Trust Enterprises and International Financial Reporting Standards, International Accounting Standards, Interpretations developed by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee or the former Standing Interpretations Committee as endorsed and became effective by Financial Supervisory Commission ("FSC") of the Republic of China ("the ROC").

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with "Rules Governing Auditing and Attestation of Financial Statements by Certified Public Accountants" and auditing standards generally accepted in the ROC. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company and its subsidiaries in accordance with the Norm of Professional Ethics for Certified Public Accountant of the ROC ("the Norm"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Norm. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of 2018 consolidated financial statements. 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.



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Management Fee Revenue

The management fee revenue shall refer to the fee charged from managing securities investment trust funds, futures trust funds, and discretionary investment services account. The management fee revenue was significant to the Company's consolidated financial statements and were therefore considered as a key audit matter in our audit.

With respect to the Company and its subsidiaries' management fee revenue, we performed the following audit procedures, including but not limited to: evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policy about management fee revenue, and performing tests of control during internal control audit as well as selecting samples to re-test management fee revenue.

We also considered the appropriateness of the management fee revenues disclosure as referred to Notes IV, VI, and VII in the consolidated financial statements.

Emphasis of Matter – Applying for New Accounting Standards

We draw attention to Note III of the consolidated financial statements, which describes the Company and its subsidiaries applied for the International Financial Reporting Standard 9, "Financial Instruments" and 15, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" starting from January 1, 2018, and elected not to restate the consolidated financial statements for prior periods. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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 requirements of the Regulations Governing Securities Investment Trust Enterprises and International Financial Reporting Standards, International Accounting Standards, Interpretations developed by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee or the former Standing Interpretations Committee as endorsed and became effective by FSC of the ROC 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 ability to continue as a going concern of the Company and its subsidiaries, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company and its subsidiaries or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance, including audit committee or supervisors, are responsible for overseeing the financial reporting process of the Company and its subsidiaries.



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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 auditing standards generally accepted in the ROC 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the ROC, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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 internal control of the Company and its subsidiaries.
- 3. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- 4. 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 ability to continue as a going concern of the Company and its subsidiaries. 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 Company and its subsidiaries to cease to continue as a going concern.
- 5. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the accompanying notes, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- 6. Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Company and its subsidiaries 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.



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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 2018 consolidated financial statements 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.

/s/ Chang, Cheng-Tao

Ernst & Young, Taipei, Taiwan 21 March 2019

Notice to Readers

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are intended only to present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows in accordance with IFRSs which is endorsed and became effective by the Financial Supervisory Commission and not those of any other jurisdictions. The standards, procedures and practice to audit such consolidated financial statements are those generally accepted and applied in the Republic of China.

Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Balance Sheets

31 December 2018 and 2017

(Expressed in thousands of New Taiwan Dollars)

		31 December 2	2018	31 December 2017	
Assets	Notes	Amount	%	Amount	%
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	IV,VI and VII	\$2,035,579	64	\$1,776,170	62
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss-current	IV,VI and VII	58,765	2	2,235	-
Accounts receivables, net	IV	12,520	1	13,512	-
Accounts receivable - related parties, net	IV and VII	167,953	5	160,465	6
Other receivables	IV	3,934	-	4,222	-
Prepayments	VI and VII	33,225	1	20,458	1
Other current assets		1,619	-	-	-
Total current assets		2,313,595	73	1,977,062	69
Non-current assets					
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income-non current	IV and VI	9,318	-	-	-
Available-for-sale financial assets-non current	IV, VI and VII	-	-	8,362	-
Financial assets at cost-non current	IV and VI	-	-	13,986	1
Investments accounted for using equity method	IV and VI	458,070	15	513,502	18
Property and equipment	IV and VI	45,904	1	54,691	2
Intangible assets	IV and VI	13,871	-	8,677	-
Deferred tax assets	IV and VI	23,758	1	16,388	1
Refundable deposits	VI and VII	280,476	9	234,027	8
Other non-current assets	VI and VII	24,328	1	25,293	1
Total non-current assets		855,725	27	874,926	31
Total assets		\$3,169,320	100	\$2,851,988	100

Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Balance Sheets (continued)

31 December 2018 and 2017

(Expressed in thousands of New Taiwan Dollars)

		31 December 2	018	31 December 2	017
Liabilities and equity	Notes	Amount	%	Amount	%
Current liabilities					
Contract liabilities-current	IV and VI	\$21,421	1	\$-	-
Other payables	IV and VII	443,793	14	355,345	12
Deferred income	VI	-	-	23,502	1
Other current liabilities		7,171	-	6,094	-
Total current liabilities		472,385	15	384,941	13
Non-current liabilities					
Contract liabilities-non current	IV and VI	20,682	1	-	-
Provisions-non current	IV and VI	116,474	4	95,990	3
Long-term deferred income	VI	-	-	42,103	2
Total non-current liabilities		137,156	5	138,093	5
Total liabilities		609,541	20	523,034	18
Equity attributable to owners of the parent					
Capital stock	VI				
Common stock		1,500,000	47	1,500,000	53
Capital reserves	VI	13,908	-	13,908	-
Retained earnings	VI				
Legal reserves		422,969	13	379,027	13
Special reserves		51,450	2	36,673	1
Undistributed earnings		642,240	20	439,415	16
Total retained earnings		1,116,659	35	855,115	30
Other equity		(70,788)	(2)	(40,069)	(1)
Total equity		2,559,779	80	2,328,954	82
Total liabilities and equity		\$3,169,320	100	\$2,851,988	100

Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

For the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017 $\,$

(Expressed in thousands of New Taiwan Dollars, except for share and earnings per share data)

		2018		2017	
Items	Notes	Amount	%	Amount	%
Operating income	IV,VI and VII	\$2,411,578	100	\$1,755,727	100
Operating expenses	VI and VII	(1,552,205)	(64)	(1,256,965)	(72)
Operating profit		859,373	36	498,762	28
Non-operating income and expenses					
Interest income	VII	8,474	-	11,340	1
Other income		189	-	105	-
Gain on disposal of investments	VI	-	-	11,292	1
Miscellaneous disbursements		-	-	(2)	-
Loss on disposal of property and equipment		-	-	(159)	-
Loss on foreign currency exchange	IV	(20)	-	(5,561)	-
(Loss) gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	IV	(11,308)	-	100	-
Share of profit or loss of associates and joint ventures	VI	(44,213)	(2)	9,359	1
Total non-operating income and expenses		(46,878)	(2)	26,474	3
Income before income tax		812,495	34	525,236	31
Income tax expense	IV and VI	(170,718)	(7)	(85,821)	(5)
Net income		641,777	27	439,415	26
Other comprehensive income (loss)	VI				
Not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods					
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans		(17,962)	(1)	(14,304)	(1)
Unrealized losses on financial assets at fair value through other comp	rehensive income	(934)	-	-	-
Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income		3,592	-	2,432	-
To be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods					
Unrealized gains on available-for-sale financial assets		-	-	1,153	-
Share of other comprehensive loss of associates and joint ventures		(11,218)	-	(2,015)	-
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax		(26,522)	(1)	(12,734)	(1)
Total comprehensive income		\$615,255	26	\$426,681	25
Net income attributable to:					
Owners of the parent		\$641,777		\$439,415	
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Owners of the parent		\$615,255		\$426,681	
Owners of the parent		\$015,255		\$720,001	
Earnings per share (in NT dollars)					
Basic earning per share					
Net income from continuing operations	VI	\$4.28		\$2.93	

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	Equity attributable to owners of the parent									
			R	etained earning	gs		Other equity			
	Capital	Capital	Land	Special	Undistributed	Exchange differences resulting from translating the financial statements	Unrealized gains or losses on financial assets at fair value through	Unrealized gains or losses on	Remeasurements of defined benefit	
Description	stock		Legal		earnings	of foreign operations	other comprehensive income	financial assets		Total
Balance as of 1 January 2017	\$1,500,000	reserves \$13,908	reserves \$349,351	reserves \$9,240	\$296,762	\$(12,462)	other comprehensive income \$-	\$(690)	plans \$(14,183)	\$2,141,926
Balance as 01 1 January 2017	\$1,500,000	\$13,900	\$349,331	\$9,240	\$290,702	\$(12,402)	.	\$(090)	\$(14,185)	\$2,141,920
Appropriation and distribution of 2016 earnings:										
Legal reserves	-	-	29,676	-	(29,676)	-	-	-	-	-
Special reserves	-	-	-	27,433	(27,433)	-	-	-	-	-
Cash dividends	-	-	-	-	(239,653)	-	-	-	-	(239,653)
Net income for the year ended 31 December 2017	-	-	-	-	439,415	-	-	-	-	439,415
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended 31 December 2017			-	-		(2,015)		1,153	(11,872)	(12,734)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended 31 December 2017		-		-	439,415	(2,015)		1,153	(11,872)	426,681
Balance as of 31 December 2017	1,500,000	13,908	379,027	36,673	439,415	(14,477)	-	463	(26,055)	2,328,954
Effect of retrospective application and restatement		-	-	-	463		(3,734)	(463)		(3,734)
Restated Balance as of 1 Janurary 2018	1,500,000	13,908	379,027	36,673	439,878	(14,477)	(3,734)	-	(26,055)	2,325,220
Appropriation and distribution of 2017 earnings:										
Legal reserves	-	-	43,942	-	(43,942)	-	-	-	-	-
Special reserves	-	-	-	14,777	(14,777)	-	-	-	-	-
Cash dividends	-	-	-	-	(380,696)	-	-	-	-	(380,696)
Net income for the year ended 31 December 2018	-	-	-	-	641,777	-	-	-	-	641,777
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended 31 December 2018		-	-	-		(11,218)	(934)	-	(14,370)	(26,522)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year ended 31 December 2018		-	-	-	641,777	(11,218)	(934)		(14,370)	615,255
Balance as of 31 December 2018	\$1,500,000	\$13,908	\$422,969	\$51,450	\$642,240	\$(25,695)	\$(4,668)	\$-	\$(40,425)	\$2,559,779

Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017

(Expressed in thousands of New Taiwan Dollars)

Items	Notes	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income before income tax		\$812,495	\$525,236
Adjustments items:			
Income and other adjustments without cash flow effects			
Depreciation	VI	18,367	19,087
Amortization	VI	5,826	5,381
Loss on disposal of property and equipment		-	159
Interest income		(8,474)	(11,340)
Gain on disposal of investments		-	(11,292)
Loss (gain) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		11,308	(100)
Share of profit or loss of associates and joint ventures	VI	44,213	(9,359)
Net changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Net changes in operating assets:			
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivables		992	(2,925)
Increase in accounts receivable - related parties		(7,488)	(38,775)
(Increase) decrease in prepayments		(12,767)	7,093
Decrease in other receivables		14	677
Increase in other current assets		(1,619)	-
Decrease in other non-current assets		965	14,139
Net changes in operating liabilities:		205	14,157
Increase in other payables		63,455	86,410
Increase in other current liabilities		1,077	-
		-	698
Increase in provision		2,522	2,353
Decrease in contract liabilities-non current		(23,502)	-
Decrease in long-term deferred income		-	(23,502)
Cash from operating activities		907,384	563,940
Interest received		8,748	14,209
Income tax paid		(149,502)	(89,757)
Net cash provided by operating activities		766,630	488,392
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Acquisition of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		(64,579)	(3,646)
Proceeds from disposal of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		5,103	1,675
Acquisition of available-for-sale financial assets		-	(24,761)
Proceeds from disposal of available-for-sale financial assets		-	103,539
Acquisition of financial assets at cost		-	(8,241)
Increase in investments accounted for using equity method		-	(242,914)
Acquisition of property and equipment	VI	(9,580)	(6,962)
Increase in refundable deposits		(46,449)	(15,600)
Acquisition of intangible assets	VI	(11,020)	(4,565)
Net cash used in investing activities		(126,525)	(201,475)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Cash dividends		(380,696)	(239,653)
Net cash used in financing activities		(380,696)	(239,653)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		259,409	47,264
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		1,776,170	1,728,906
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	. <u></u>	\$2,035,579	\$1,776,170
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Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. and Subsidiaries Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2018 and 2017

(Expressed in thousands of New Taiwan Dollars unless otherwise stated)

I. Organization and Operations

Cathay Securities Investment Trust Co., Ltd. ("the Company") was authorized to be established in Taipei on 11 February 2000. The Company was enfranchised by the Securities and Futures Bureau, Financial Supervisory Commission ("FSC") in the Republic of China ("the ROC") on 9 March 2000.

In order to provide immediate services to clients in southern Taiwan, the Company established Kaohsiung branch on 18 September 2008 under permission of Explanatory Letter No. Financial-Supervisory-Securities-IV-0970049791 of the FSC and started its main operating business on 15 December 2008. The Company obtained the business license authorized to establish branches and started its main operating business in Hsinchu and Taichung in June 2011 and May 2010, respectively.

The Company has become one of the subsidiaries of Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd. as the former stockholders sold all shares to Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd. on 24 June 2011.

The Company has been approved to conduct business in (1) raising securities investment trust funds through issuance of beneficiary certificates to invest in securities and related products ; (2) discretionary investment services ; (3) futures trust business ; (4) securities investment consulting business ; (5) other business permitted by the Securities and Futures Bureau, FSC in the ROC.

${\rm I\!I}$. Date and procedures of authorization of financial statements for issue

The consolidated financial statements of the Company and subsidiaries ("the Consolidated Company") for the years ended 2018 and 2017 were authorized for issue in accordance with the Board of Directors' resolution on 21 March 2019.

III. <u>Newly issued or revised standards and interpretations</u>

1. Changes in accounting policies resulting from first-time adoption of certain standards and amendments.

The Consolidated Company adopted International Financial Reporting Standards, International Accounting Standards, and Interpretations issued, revised or amended which were endorsed and bacame effective by FSC for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. The new standards and amendments have no material impact on the Consolidated Company except those started below.

(1) IFRS 15"*Revenue from Contracts with Customers*" (including Amendments to IFRS 15 "Clarifications to IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers")

IFRS 15 replaces IAS 11 "*Construction Contracts*", IAS 18 "*Revenue*" and related Interpretations. In accordance with the transition provision in IFRS 15, the Consolidated Company elected to recognize the cumulative effect of initially applying IFRS 15 at the date of initial application (1 January 2018). The Consolidated Company also elected to apply this standard retrospectively only to contracts that are not completed contracts at the date of initial application.

The Consolidated Company's principal activities consist of management fee income and service fee income. The impacts arising from the adoption of IFRS 15 on the Consolidated Company are summarized as follows:

- A. Before 1 January 2018, revenue from services was recognized by reference to the stage of completion which was measured by reference to the proportion that contract cost incurred for work performed to date bear to the estimated total contract costs. Starting from 1 January 2018, in accordance with IFRS 15, the Consolidated Company recognized revenue when (or as) the Consolidated Company satisfies a performance obligation by transferring a promised service to a customer and also by reference to the stage of completion. IFRS 15 has no significant impact on the Consolidated Company's revenue recognition from services. However, for some services contracts, part of the consolidated Company has the obligation to provide the services subsequently. Before 1 January 2018, the Consolidated Company recognized the consideration received in advance from customers under other current liabilities. Starting from 1 January 2018, in accordance with IFRS 15, it should be recognized as contract liabilities. No differences were caused on the amounts.
- B. Please refer to Notes IV and VI for additional disclosures required by IFRS 15.
- (2) IFRS 9"Financial Instruments"

IFRS 9 replaces IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement.* In accordance with the transition provision in IFRS 9, the Consolidated Company elected not to restate prior periods at the date of initial application (1 January 2018). The adoption of IFRS 9 has the following impacts on the Consolidated Company:

- A. Before 1 January 2018, the Consolidated Company applied for IAS 39, and it adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018. Please refer to Note IV for more details on accounting policies.
- B. In accordance with the transition provision in IFRS 9, the assessment of the business model and classification of financial assets into the appropriate categories are based on the facts and circumstances as at 1 January 2018. The classifications of financial assets and its carrying amounts as at 1 January 2018 are as follow:

IAS 39		IFRS 9	
	Carrying		Carrying
Measurement categories	amounts	Measurement categories	amounts
Fair value through profit or		Fair value through profit or	
loss	\$2,235	loss	\$10,597
Fair value through other comprehensive income Available-for-sale financial assets (including measured at		Fair value through other comprehensive income	
cost)	22,348		10,252
At amortized cost		At amortized cost	
Loans and receivables (including cash and cash equivalents,(exclude cash on hand),notes receivables and		(Including cash and cash equivalents,(exclude cash on hand),notes receivables and refundable deposits	
refundable deposits	2,188,346	1	2,188,346
Total	\$2,212,929	Total	2,209,195

C. The transition adjustments from IAS 39 to IFRS 9 for the classifications of financial assets and financial liabilities as at 1 January 2018 are as follow:

IAS 39		IFRS 9			Retained earnings	Other components of equity
	Carrying		Carrying			
Items	amounts	Items	amounts	Difference	adjustment	adjustment
Financial assets at fair						
value through profit or						
loss(Note 1)						
		Measured at fair value				
Held-for-trading	\$2,235	through profit or loss	\$2,235	\$-	\$-	\$-
Subtotal	2,235	Subtotal	2,235	-	-	
Available-for-sale		Measured at fair value				
financial assets(Note 2)	8,362	through profit or loss	8,362	-	463	(463)
Financial assets		Equity instruments measured				
measured at amortized		at fair value through other				
cost	13,986	comprehensive income	10,252	3,734	-	(3,734)
Subtotal	22,438	Subtotal	18,614	3,734	463	(4,197)
Loans and receivables		Measured at amortized costs				
Cash and cash	1,776,120		1,776,120	-	-	-
equivalents		Cash and cash equivalents				
Accounts receivables	173,977	Accounts receivables	173,977	-	-	-
Other receivables	4,222	Other receivables	4,222	-	-	-
Refunable deposits	234,027	Refunable deposits	234,027	-	-	-
Subtotal	2,188,346	Subtotal	2,188,346	-	-	-
Total	\$2,212,929	Total	\$2,209,195	\$3,734	\$463	\$(4,197)

- Note 1: In accordance with IAS 39, financial assets classified as held for trading which measured at fair value through profit or loss might include investments in beneficiary certificates. In accordance with IFRS 9, as the cash flow characteristics for beneficiary certificates are not solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amounts outstanding, they are classified as financial assets mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss. There is no impact on the reclassification of financial assets.
- Note 2: In accordance with IAS 39, the available-for-sale financial assets included investments in beneficiary certificates and stocks of unlisted companies. Adjustment details are stated as follow:
- A. Beneficiary certificates

As the cash flow characteristics for beneficiary certificates are not solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, beneficiary certificates are classified as financial assets mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 9. As at 1 January 2018, the Consolidated Company reclassified available-for-sale financial assets of \$8,362 thousand to financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss. Besides, changes in fair value of \$463 thousand previously recognized in other equity was reclassified to retained earnings.

B. Stocks

The Consolidated Company elected to designate stocks, which were not held-for-trading, as financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income based on the facts and circumstances as at 1 January 2018. As at 1 January 2018, the Consolidated Company reclassified available-for-sale financial assets to financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income of \$13,986 thousand. Other adjustments are stated as follow:

The stocks of unlisted companies previously were measured at cost in accordance with IAS 39. However, in accordance with IFRS 9, stocks of unlisted companies must be measured at fair value. The fair value of the stocks of unlisted companies was \$10,252 thousand as at 1 January 2018. Accordingly, the Consolidated Company deducted the carrying amount of financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income of \$3,734 thousand and adjusted the other equity of \$3,734 thousand.

C. Please refer to Notes IV, V, VI and XII for the related disclosures required by IFRS 7 and IFRS 9.

2. Newly issued, revised or amended standards or interpretations, which have been issued by IASB and endorsed by FSC, but have not yet been adopted by the Consolidated Company for the year ended 31 December 2018, are listed below.

Item No.	Newly issued/revised/amended standards or interpretations	Effective date issued by IASB
1	IFRS 16 "Leases"	1 January 2019
2	IFRIC 23 "Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments"	1 January 2019
3	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (Amendments to IAS 28)	1 January 2019
4	Improvements to International Financial Reporting Standards (2015-2017 cycle)	1 January 2019
5	Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement (Amendments to IAS 19)	1 January 2019

(1) IFRS 16 "Leases"

The new standard requires lessees to account for all leases under a single on-balance sheet model (subject to certain exemptions). Lessor accounting still uses the dual classification approach: operating lease and finance lease.

(2) IFRIC 23 "Uncertainty Over Income Tax Treatments"

The interpretation clarifies application of recognition and measurement requirements in IAS 12 *Income Taxes* when there is uncertainty over income tax treatments.

(3) IAS 28 "Investment in Associates and Joint Ventures" – Amendments to IAS 28

The amendments clarify that an entity applies IFRS 9 to long-term interests in an associate or joint venture that form part of the net investment in the associate or joint venture before it applies IAS 28, and in applying IFRS 9, does not take account of any adjustments that arise from applying IAS 28.

(4) Improvements to International Financial Reporting Standards (2015-2017 cycle)

IFRS 3 "Business Combinations"

The amendments clarify that an entity that has joint control of a joint operation shall remeasure its previously held interest in a joint operation when it obtains control of the business.

IFRS 11 "Joint Arrangements"

The amendments clarify that an entity that participates in, but does not have joint control of, a joint operation does not remeasure its previously held interest in a joint operation when it obtains joint control of the business.

IAS 12 "Income Taxes"

The amendments clarify that an entity shall recognize the income tax consequences of dividends in profit or loss, other comprehensive income or equity according to where the entity originally recognized those past transactions or events.

IAS 23 "Borrowing Costs"

The amendments clarify that an entity should treats as part of general borrowings any borrowing made specifically to obtain an asset when the asset is ready for its intended use or sale.

(5) Plan Amendment, Curtailment or Settlement – Amendments to IAS 19

The amendments clarify that when a change in a defined benefit plan is made (such as amendment, curtailment or settlement, etc.), the entity should use the updated assumptions to remeasure its net defined benefit liability or asset.

The above-mentioned standards and interpretations are issued by IASB and endorsed by FSC and will be adopted starting from 1 January 2019. Except for item (1) below, all other standards and interpretations have no material impact on the Consolidated Company.

(1)IFRS 16 "Leases"

IFRS 16 "Leases" replaces IAS 17 "Leases", IFRIC 4 "Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease", SIC-15 "Operating Leases - Incentives" and SIC-27 "Evaluating the Substance of Transactions Involving the Legal Form of a Lease".

The impact of adopting IFRS 16 on the Consolidated Company are as follow:

A. For the definition of a lease, the Consolidated Company elects not to reassess whether a contract is, or contains, a lease at the date of initial application (1 January 2019) in accordance with the transition provision in IFRS 16. Instead, the Consolidated Company is permitted to apply IFRS 16 to contracts that were previously identified as leases applying IAS 17 and IFRIC 4, but not to apply IFRS 16 to contracts that were not previously identified as containing a lease applying IAS 17 and IFRIC 4.

The Consolidated Company is a lessee and elects not to restate comparative information in accordance with the transition provision in IFRS 16. Instead, the Consolidated Company recognizes the cumulative effect of initially applying IFRS 16 as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings (or other component of equity, as appropriate) on 1 January 2019.

(a) Leases classified as operating leases

For leases that were classified as operating leases applying IAS 17, the Consolidated Company expects to measure and recognize those leases as lease liability on 1 January 2019 at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the lessee's incremental borrowing rate on 1 January 2019. The Consolidated Company chooses, on a lease-by-lease basis, to measure the right-of-use asset at either:

- i. its carrying amount as if IFRS 16 had been applied since the commencement date, but discounted using the lessee's incremental borrowing rate on 1 January 2019; or
- ii. an amount equal to the lease liability, adjusted by the amount of any prepaid or accrued lease payments relating to that lease recognized in the balance sheet immediately before 1 January 2019.

The Consolidated Company expects the right-of-use asset will increase by \$47,804 thousand and the lease liability will increase by \$47,804 thousand on 1 January 2019.

B. The additional disclosures of lessee and lessor required by IFRS 16 will be disclosed in the relevant notes.

3. Newly issued, revised or amended standards or interpretations, which have been issued by IASB but have not yet been endorsed by FSC, nor adopted by the Consolidated Company as at the date of issuance of the Consolidated Company's financial report, are listed below.

Item No.	Newly issued/revised/amended standards or interpretations	Effective date issued by IASB
	Amendments to IFRS 10 "Financial Statements" and IAS 28 "Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures" — Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	by IASB
2	IFRS 17"Insurance Contracts"	1 January, 2021
3	Definition of a Business (Amendments to IFRS 3)	1 January, 2020
4	Definition of Material (Amendments to IAS 1 and 8)	1 January, 2020

(1) Amendments to IFRS 10 "Financial Statements" and IAS 28 "Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures" – Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Ventures

The amendments address the inconsistency between the requirements in IFRS 10 *Financial Statements* and IAS 28 *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures*, in dealing with the loss of control of a subsidiary that is contributed to an associate or a joint venture. IAS 28 restricts gains and losses arising from contributions of non-monetary assets to an associate or a joint venture to the extent of the interest attributable to the other equity holders in the associate or joint ventures. IFRS 10 requires full profit or loss recognition on the loss of control of the subsidiary. IAS 28 was amended so that the gains or losses resulting from the sale or contribution of assets that constitute a business as defined in IFRS 3 between an investor and its associate or joint venture is recognized in full.

IFRS 10 was also amended so that the gains or losses resulting from the sale or contribution of a subsidiary that does not constitute a business as defined in IFRS 3 between an investor and its associate or joint venture is recognized only to the extent of the unrelated investors' interests in the associate or joint venture.

(2) IFRS 17 "Insurance Contracts"

IFRS 17 provides a comprehensive model for insurance contracts, covering all relevant accounting aspects (including recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure requirements). The core of IFRS 17 is the General (building block) Model. Under this model, an entity shall measure a group of insurance contracts at the total of the fulfilment cash flows and the contractual service margin on initial recognition. The fulfilment cash flows comprise of the following:

- 1. estimates of future cash flows
- 2. discount rate: an adjustment to reflect the time value of money and the financial risks related to the future cash flows, to the extent that the financial risks are not included in the estimates of the future cash flows
- 3. a risk adjustment for non-financial risk

Carrying amount of a group of insurance contracts as at the end of each reporting period represents the sum of the liability for remaining coverage and the liability for incurred compensation.

In addition to general model, the standard provides:

- 1. a specific application approach for contracts with discretionary participation features (the variable fee approach).
- 2. a simplified approach for short-term contracts (the premium allocation approach).
- (3) Definition of a Business (Amendments to IFRS 3)

The amendments clarify the definition of a business in IFRS 3 Business Combinations. The amendments are intended to assist entities to determine whether a transaction should be accounted for as a business combination or as an asset acquisition.

IFRS 3 continues to adopt a market participant's perspective to determine whether an acquired set of activities and assets is a business. The amendments clarify the minimum requirements for a business, add guidance to help entities assess whether an acquired process is substantive and narrow the definitions of a business and of outputs, etc.

(4) Definition of a Material (Amendments to IAS 1 and 8)

The main amendment is to clarify new definition of material. It states that "information is material if omitting, misstating or obscuring it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose made on the basis of those financial statements. The amendments clarify that materiality will depend on the nature or magnitude of information. An entity will need to assess whether the information, either individually or in combination with other information, is material in the context of the financial statements. A misstatement of information is material if it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions made by the primary users.

The above-mentioned standards and interpretations issued by IASB have not yet endorsed by FSC at the date when the Consolidated Company's financial statements were authorized for issue. The local effective dates are to be determined by FSC. They have no material impact on the Consolidated Company.

IV. Summary of significant accounting policies

1. Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements of the Consolidated Company for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017 have been prepared in accordance with the Regulations Governing Securities Investment Trust Enterprises, International Financial Reporting Standards, International Accounting Standards, and relevant interpretations and interpretative bulletins which were endorsed and became effective by the FSC.

2. Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for financial instruments that have been measured at fair value. The consolidated financial statements are expressed in thousands of New Taiwan Dollars unless otherwise stated.

3. Basis of consolidation

Preparation principle of consolidated financial statements

Control is achieved when the Company is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. Specifically, the Company controls an investee if and only if the Company has:

- (1) power over the investee (i.e. existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee)
- (2) exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee, and
- (3) the ability to use its power over the investee to affect its returns

When the Company has less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Company considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- (1) the contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee
- (2) rights arising from other contractual arrangements
- (3) the Company's voting rights and potential voting rights

The Company re-assesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control.

Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the acquisition date, being the date on which the Company obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the parent company, using uniform accounting policies. All intra-company balances, income and expenses, unrealized gains and losses and dividends resulting from intra-company transactions are eliminated in full.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a change of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

Total comprehensive income of the subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the parent and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

If the Company loses control of a subsidiary, it:

- (1) derecognizes the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary;
- (2) derecognizes the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest;
- (3) recognizes the fair value of the consideration received;
- (4) recognizes the fair value of any investment retained;
- (5) recognizes any surplus or deficit in profit or loss; and
- (6) reclassifies the Company's share of components previously recognized in other comprehensive income to profit or loss.

The consolidated entities are listed as follows:

			Ownersh	ip Interest
Investor	Subsidiary	Business Nature		
			31 December 2018	31 December 2017
The Company	Cathay Private Equity Co., Ltd.	Private Equity	100.00	100.00

As of 15 November 2017, the Company established 100% owned subsidiary- Cathay Private Equity Co., Ltd. The main activities of the subsidiary is private equity business.

4. Foreign currency transactions

The Consolidated Company's consolidated financial statements are presented in New Taiwan Dollar, which is also the Company's functional currency. Each entity in the Consolidated Company determines its own functional currency, and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency.

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded by the Consolidated Company at its functional currency rates prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the functional currency closing rate of exchange ruling at the reporting date. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value is determined. Non-monetary items that are measured at historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates of the initial transactions.

All exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items or on translating monetary items are taken to profit or loss in the period in which they arise except for the following:

- (1) Exchange differences arising from foreign currency borrowings for an acquisition of a qualifying asset to the extent that they are regarded as an adjustment to interest costs are included in the borrowing costs that are eligible for capitalization.
- (2) IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" (Before 1 January 2018: IAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement") are accounted for based on the accounting policy for financial instruments.
- (3) Exchange differences arising on a monetary item that forms part of a reporting entity's net investment in a foreign operation is recognized initially in other comprehensive income and reclassified from equity to profit or loss on disposal of the net investment.

When a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized in other comprehensive income, any exchange component of that gain or loss is recognized in other comprehensive income. When a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized in profit or loss, any exchange component of that gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss.

5. Current and non-current distinction

An asset is classified as current asset when:

- (1) The Consolidated Company expects to realize the asset, or intends to sell or consume it, in its normal operating cycle
- (2) The Consolidated Company holds the asset primarily for the purpose of trading
- (3) The Consolidated Company expects to realize the asset within twelve months after the reporting period
- (4) The asset is cash or cash equivalent unless the asset is restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

All other assets are classified as non-current assets.

A liability is classified as current liability when:

- (1) The Consolidated Company expects to settle the liability in its normal operating cycle
- (2) The Consolidated Company holds the liability primarily for the purpose of trading
- (3) The liability is due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period
- (4) The Consolidated Company does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period. Terms of a liability that could, at the option of the counterparty, result in its settlement by the issue of equity instruments do not affect its classification.

All other liabilities are classified as non-current liability.

6. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term, highly liquid investments (including within twelve months' time deposits) that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

7. Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized when the Consolidated Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities within the scope of IFRS 9 "*Financial Instruments*" (Before 1 January 2018: IAS 39 "*Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*") are recognized initially at fair value plus or minus, in the case of investments not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs.

(1) Financial assets: Recognition and Measurement

The accounting policies starting from 1 January 2018 as follow:

The Consolidated Company accounts for regular way purchase or sales of financial assets on the trade date.

The Consolidated Company classified financial assets as subsequently measured at amortized cost, fair value through other comprehensive income or fair value through profit or loss considering both factors below:

A. the Consolidated Company's business model for managing the financial assets andB. the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost

A financial asset is measured at amortized cost if both of the following conditions are met and presented as note receivables, trade receivables financial assets measured at amortized cost and other receivables etc., on balance sheet as at the reporting date:

- A. the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows
- B. the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Such financial assets are subsequently measured at amortized cost (the amount at which the financial asset is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortization using the effective interest method of any difference between the initial amount and the maturity amount and adjusted for any loss allowance) and is not part of a hedging relationship. A gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss when the financial asset is derecognized, through the amortization process or in order to recognise the impairment gains or losses.

Interest revenue is calculated by using the effective interest method. This is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset except for:

- A. purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets. For those financial assets, the Consolidated Company applies the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the amortized cost of the financial asset from initial recognition.
- B. financial assets that are not purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets but subsequently have become credit-impaired financial assets. For those financial assets, the Consolidated Company applies the effective interest rate to the amortized cost of the financial asset in subsequent reporting periods.

Financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income

A financial asset is measured at fair value through other comprehensive income if both of the following conditions are met:

- A. the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets and
- B. the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Recognition of gain or loss on a financial asset measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are described as below:

- A. A gain or loss on a financial asset measured at fair value through other comprehensive income recognized in other comprehensive income, except for impairment gains or losses and foreign exchange gains and losses, until the financial asset is derecognized or reclassified.
- B. When the financial asset is derecognized the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in other comprehensive income is reclassified from equity to profit or loss as a reclassification adjustment.

- C. Interest revenue is calculated by using the effective interest method. This is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset except for:
 - (a) Purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets. For those financial assets, the Consolidated Company applies the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the amortized cost of the financial asset from initial recognition.
 - (b) Financial assets that are not purchased or originated credit-impaired fiancial assets but subsequently have become credit-impaired financial assets. For those financial assets, the Consolidated Company applies the effective interest rate to the amortized cost of the financial asset in subsequent reporting periods.

In addition, for the equity instruments within the scope of application in IFRS 9 but neither held for trading nor applicable to the contingent consideration recognized by the acquirer in IFRS 3 "Business Combinations", an irrevocable election can be made at initial recognition to recognize subsequent changes in fair value in other comprehensive income. The amount recognized in other comprehensive income should not be subsequently transferred to profit or loss (the accumulated amount included in the other equity items should be transferred to retained earnings directly upon the disposal of such equity instruments), but should be presented as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income in the balance sheet. Dividends on investments are recognized in profit or loss unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the investment costs.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

All financial assets are measured at fair value through profit or loss except that the aforementioned one that meet specific criterias are measured at amortized cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income, and presented as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the balance sheet.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gain or loss from the remeasurement are recognized in profit or loss. Dividends or interests on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognized in profit or loss.

The accounting policies before 1 January 2018 as follow:

The Consolidated Company accounts for regular way purchase or sales of financial assets on the trade date.

The Consolidated Company classifies its financial assets as either financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, held-to-maturity financial assets, available-for-sale financial assets and loans and receivables where appropriate. Financial assets are recognized initially for classifying.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include held for trading and designated by the Consolidated Company at fair value through profit or loss.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- A. It is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term;
- B. On initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- C. It is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

If a contract contains one or more embedded derivatives, the entire hybrid (combined) contract may be designated as a financial asset at fair value through profit or loss; or a financial asset may be designated as at fair value through profit or loss when doing so results in more relevant information, because either:

- A. It eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency; or
- B. A group of financial assets, financial liabilities or both is managed and its performance evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the Consolidated Company is provided internally on that basis to the key management personnel.

Financial assets at fair value through poofit or loss are measured at fair value. When it changes in fair value it recognized in profit or loss.Dividends or interests on financial assets at faur value through profit or loss are recognized in profit or loss (including those received during the period of initial investment).

If financial assets do not have quoted prices in an active market and their fair value cannot be measured reliably, they are classified as financial assets measured at cost on balance sheet as at the reporting date.

Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale investments are non-derivative financial assets that are designated as available-for-sale or those not classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, held-to-maturity financial assets, or loans and receivables.

Foreign exchange gains and losses and interest calculated using the effective interest method relating to monetary available-for-sale financial assets, or dividends on an available-for-sale equity instrument, are recognized in profit or loss. Subsequent measurement of available-for-sale financial assets at fair value is recognized in equity until the investment is derecognized, at which time the cumulative gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss.

If equity instrument investments do not have quoted prices in an active market and their far value cannot be reliably measured, then they are classified as financial assets measured at cost on balance sheets and carried at cost net of accumulated impairment losses, if any, as at the reporting date.

Held-to-maturity financial assets

Non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities are classified as held-to-maturity when the Consolidated Company has the positive intention and ability to hold it to maturity, other than those that are designated as available-for-sale, classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, or meet the definition of loans and receivables.

After initial measurement, held-to-maturity financial assets are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less impairment. Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fee or transaction costs. The effective interest method amortization is recognized in profit or loss.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market other than those that the Consolidated Company upon initial recognition designates as available for sale, classified as at fair value through profit or loss, or those for which the holder may not recover substantially all of its initial investment.

Loans and receivables are separately presented on the balance sheets as receivables or bond investments for which no active market exists. After initial measurement, such financial assets are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method, less impairment. Amortized cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fee or transaction costs. The effective interest method amortization is recognized in profit or loss.

(2) Impairment of financial assets

The accounting policies starting from 1 January 2018 as follow:

The Consolidated Company recognizes and measures the allowance for losses of the debt instrument investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income and the debt instrument investments measured at amortized cost on the basis of expected credit losses. The debt instrument investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income recognizes the allowance for losses in other comprehensive income without reducing the carrying amount of such investments.

The Consolidated Company measures expected credit losses of a financial instrument in a way that reflects:

- A. an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes;
- B. the time value of money; and
- C. reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The loss allowance is measures as follow:

- A. At an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses: the credit risk on a financial asset has not increased significantly since initial recognition or the financial asset is determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date. In addition, the Consolidated Company measures the loss allowance at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses in the previous reporting period, but determines at the current reporting date that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition is no longer met.
- B. At an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses: the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition or financial asset that is purchased or originated credit-impaired financial asset.
- C. For trade receivables or contract assets arising from transactions within the scope of IFRS 15, the Consolidated Company measures the loss allowance at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses.

At each reporting date, the Consolidated Company needs to assess whether the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition by comparing the risk of a default occurring at the reporting date and the risk of default occurring at initial recognition. Please refer to Note XII for further details on credit risk.

The accounting policies before 1 January 2018 as follow:

The Consolidated Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset other than the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is impaired. A financial asset is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more loss events that has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset and that loss event has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset. The carrying amount of the financial asset impaired, other than receivables impaired which are reduced through the use of an allowance account, is reduced directly and the amount of the loss is recognized in profit or loss.

Significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of an available-for-sale equity instrument below its cost is considered a loss event.

Other loss events include:

- A. significant financial difficulty of the issuer or obligor; or
- B. a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; or
- C. it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- D. the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties.

For held-to-maturity financial assets and loans and receivables measured at amortized cost, the Consolidated Company first assesses individually whether objective evidence of impairment exists individually for financial asset that are individually significant, or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If the Consolidated Company determines that no objective evidence of impairment exits for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the assets carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows. The present value of the estimated future cash flows is discounted at the financial assets original effective interest rate. If a loan has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate. Interest income is accrued based on the reduced carrying amount of the asset, using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss.

Receivables together with the associated allowance are written off when there is no realistic prospect of future recovery. If, in a subsequent year, the amount of the estimated impairment loss increases or decreases because of an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, the previously recognized impairment loss is increased or reduced by adjusting the allowance account. If a future write-off is later recovered, the recovery is credited to profit or loss.

In the case of equity investments classified as available-for-sale, where there is evidence of impairment, the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognized in profit or loss – is removed from other comprehensive income and recognized in profit or loss. Impairment losses on equity investments are not reversed through profit or loss; increases in their fair value after impairment are recognized directly in other comprehensive income.

In the case of debt instruments classified as available-for-sale, the amount recorded for impairment is the cumulative loss measured as the difference between the amortized cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that investment previously recognized in profit or loss. Future interest income continues to be accrued based on the reduced carrying amount of the asset, using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss. The interest income is recognized in profit or loss. If, in a subsequent year, the fair value of a debt instrument 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 profit or loss.

(3) Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset is derecognized when:

- A. The rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired
- B. The Consolidated Company has transferred the asset and substantially all the risksand rewards of the asset have been transferred
- C. The Consolidated Company has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the carrying amount and the consideration received or receivable including any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognized in other comprehensive income, is recognized in profit or loss.

(4) Financial liabilities and equity instruments

Classification between liabilities or equity

The Consolidated Company classifies the instrument issued as a financial liability or an equity instrument in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangement and the definitions of a financial liability, and an equity instrument.

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Consolidated Company are recognized at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities within the scope of IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" (before 1 January 2018: IAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement") are classified as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss or financial liabilities measured at amortized cost upon initial recognition.

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss include financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated as at fair value through profit or loss.

A financial liability is classified as held for trading if:

- A. it is acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term;
- B. on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- C. it is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

If a contract contains one or more embedded derivatives, the entire hybrid (combined) contract may be designated as a financial liability at fair value through profit or loss; or a financial liability may be designated as at fair value through profit or loss when doing so results in more relevant information, because either:

- A. it eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency; or
- B. a group of financial assets, financial liabilities or both is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the Consolidated Company is provided internally on that basis to the key management personnel.

Gains or losses on the subsequent measurement of liabilities at fair value through profit or loss including interest paid are recognized in profit or loss.

Before 1 January 2018, if the financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss do not have quoted prices in an active market and their far value cannot be reliably measured, then they are classified as financial liabilities measured at cost on balance sheet and carried at cost as at the reporting date.

Financial liabilities at amortized cost

Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include payables and loans that are subsequently measured using the effective interest rate method after initial recognition. Gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognized and amortized through the effective interest rate method.

Amortized cost is calculated by discount or premium on acquisition and transaction costs.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expired.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified (whether or not attributable to the financial difficulty of the debtor), such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference between the respective carrying amounts and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognized in profit or loss.

(5) Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the balance sheet if, and only if, there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

8. Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- (1) In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- (2) In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible to by the Consolidated Company.

The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants 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.

The Consolidated Company uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximizing the use of relevant observable inputs and minimizing the use of unobservable inputs.

9. Investments accounted for using the equity method

The Consolidated Company's investment in its associate is accounted for using the equity method other than those that meet the criteria to be classified as held for sale. An associate is an entity over which the Consolidated Company has significant influence. A joint venture is a type of joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint venture.

Under the equity method, the investment in the associate or an investment in a joint venture is carried in the balance sheet at cost and adjusted thereafter for the post-acquisition change in the Consolidated Company's share of net assets of the associate or joint venture. After the interest in the associate or joint venture is reduced to zero, additional losses are provided for, and a liability is recognized, only to the extent that the Consolidated Company has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate or joint venture. Unrealized gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Consolidated Company and the associate or joint venture are eliminated to the extent of the Consolidated Company's related interest in the associate or joint venture.

When changes in the net assets of an associate or a joint venture occur and not those that are recognized in profit or loss or other comprehensive income and do not affects the Consolidated Company's percentage of ownership interests in the associate or joint venture, the Consolidated Company recognizes such changes in equity based on its percentage of ownership interests. The resulting capital surplus recognized will be reclassified to profit or loss at the time of disposing the associate or joint venture on a prorata basis.

When the associate or joint venture issues new stock, and the Consolidated Company's interest in an associate or a joint venture is reduced or increased as the Consolidated Company fails to acquire shares newly issued in the associate or joint venture proportionately to its original ownership interest, the increase or decrease in the interest in the associate or joint venture is recognized in *Additional Paid in Capital and Investment accounted for using the equity method*. When the interest in the associate or joint venture is recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss or other appropriate items. The aforementioned capital surplus recognized is reclassified to profit or loss on a pro rata basis when the Consolidated Company disposes the associate or joint venture.

The financial statements of the associate or joint venture are prepared for the same reporting period as the Consolidated Company. Where necessary, adjustments are made to bring the accounting policies in line with those of the Consolidated Company. The Consolidated Company determines at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that the investment in the associate or an investment in a joint venture is impaired in accordance with IAS 28 *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures* (before 1 January 2018: IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*). If this is the case the Consolidated Company calculates the amount of impairment as the difference between the recoverable amount of the associate or joint venture and its carrying value and recognizes the amount in the 'share of profit or loss of an associate' in the statement of comprehensive income in accordance with IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets*. In determining the value in use of the investment, the Consolidated Company estimates:

- (1) Its share of the present value of the estimated future cash flows expected to be generated by the associate or joint venture, including the cash flows from the operations of the associate and the proceeds on the ultimate disposal of the investment; or
- (2) The present value of the estimated future cash flows expected to arise from dividends to be received from the investment and from its ultimate disposal.

As goodwill that forms part of the carrying amount of an investment in an associate or an investment in a joint venture is not separately recognized, it is not tested for impairment separately by applying the requirements for impairment testing goodwill in IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets*.

Upon loss of significant influence over the associate or joint venture, the Consolidated Company measures and recognizes any retaining investment at its fair value. Any difference between the carrying amount of the associate or joint venture upon loss of significant influence and the fair value of the retaining investment and proceeds from disposal is recognized in profit or loss. Furthermore, if an investment in an associate becomes an investment in a joint venture or an investment in a joint venture becomes an investment in an associate, the entity continues to apply the equity method and does not remeasure the retained interest.

10. Property and equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Such cost includes the cost of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located and borrowing costs for construction in progress if the recognition criteria are met. Each part of an item of property and equipment with a cost that is significant in relation to the total cost of the item is depreciated separately. When significant parts of property and equipment are required to be replaced in intervals, the Consolidated Company recognized such parts as individual assets with specific useful lives and depreciation, respectively. The carrying amount of those parts that are replaced is derecognized in accordance with the derecognition provisions of IAS 16 *Property, plant and equipment*.

When a major inspection is performed, its cost is recognized in the carrying amount of the plant and equipment as a replacement if the recognition criteria are satisfied. All other repair and maintenance costs are recognized in profit or loss as incurred.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated economic lives of the following assets:

Computer equipment	3	-	6 years
Office equipment	5	-	10 years
Leasehold improvements	3	-	5 years

An item of property and equipment and any significant part initially recognized is derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset is recognized in profit or loss.

The assets' residual values, useful lives and methods of depreciation are reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

11. Leases

Consolidated Company as a lessee

Operating lease payments are recognized as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

12. Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is its fair value as at the date of acquisition. Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Internally generated intangible assets, excluding capitalized development costs, are not capitalized and expenditure is reflected in profit or loss for the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed as either finite or indefinite.

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortization period and the amortization method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life is reviewed at least at the end of each financial year. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset is accounted for by changing the amortization period or method, as appropriate, and are treated as changes in accounting estimates.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortized, but are tested for impairment annually, either individually or at the cash-generating unit ("CGU") level. The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life continues to be supportable. If not, the change in useful life from indefinite to finite is made on a prospective basis.

Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognized in profit or loss when the asset is derecognized.

Computer software

The cost of computer software is amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life (3 to 5 years).

13. Impairment of non-financial assets

The Consolidated Company assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is any indication that an asset in the scope of IAS 36 *Impairment of Assets* may be impaired. If any such indication exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Consolidated Company estimates the asset's recoverable amount. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or CGU's ("CGU") fair value less costs to sell and its value in use and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets. Where the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

For assets excluding goodwill, an assessment is made at each reporting date as to whether there is any indication that previously recognized impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such indication exists, the Consolidated Company estimates the asset's or CGU's recoverable amount. A previously recognized impairment loss is reversed only if there has been an increase in the estimated service potential of an asset which in turn increases the recoverable amount. However, the reversal is limited so that the carrying amount of the asset does not exceed its recoverable amount, nor exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years.

An impairment loss of continuing operations or a reversal of such impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss.

14. Recognition of revenue

The Consolidated Company's operating income are mainly from the management fees and sale service fees. The Consolidated Company receives management fees resulting from managing the trust funds. Sale service fees are collected when investors subscribe the securities investment trust funds under the Consolidated Company's management.

The accounting policies starting from 1 January 2018 are as follows:

The above-mentioned revenue are recognized when the contract obligations are performed. Most contracts of the Consolidated Company are collected averagely during the period of the contracts after the services performed. Contract assets are recognized when the services are performed to custormers yet there is no right of collecting the consideration. However, some contracts allowed the Consolidated Company to collect partial consideration while the contracts were signed. Contract liabilities are recognized when the Consolidated Company bears the obligation of performing the services subsequently.

The accounting policies before 1 January 2018 as follow:

Operating income are recognized on an accrual basis.

15. Post-employment benefits

All regular employees of the Consolidated Company are entitled to a pension plan that is managed by an independently administered pension fund committee. Fund assets are deposited under the committee's name in the specific bank account and hence, not associated with the Consolidated Company. Therefore fund assets are not included in the consolidated financial statements.

For the defined contribution plan, the Consolidated Company will make a monthly contribution of no less than 6% of the monthly wages of the employees subject to the plan. The Consolidated Company recognizes expenses for the defined contribution plan in the period in which the contribution becomes due.

Post-employment benefit plan that is classified as a defined benefit plan uses the Projected Unit Credit Method to measure its obligations and costs based on actuarial assumptions. Re-measurements, comprising of the effect of the actuarial gains and losses, the effect of the asset ceiling (excluding net interest) and the return on plan assets, excluding net interest, are recognized as other comprehensive income with a corresponding debit or credit to other equity in the period in which they occur. Past service costs are recognized in profit or loss on the earlier of:

- (1) the date of the plan amendment or curtailment, and
- (2) the date that the Consolidated Company recognizes restructuring-related costs

Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net defined benefit liability or asset, both as determined at the start of the annual reporting period, taking account of any changes in the net defined benefit liability (asset) during the period as a result of contribution and benefit payment.

16. Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Consolidated Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probably that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Where the Consolidated Company expects some or all of a provision to be reimbursed, the reimbursement is recognized as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are discounted using a current pre-tax rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. Where discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognized as a finance cost.

Provision for decommissioning, restoration and rehabilitation costs

The provision for decommissioning, restoration and rehabilitation costs arose on construction of a property, plant and equipment. Decommissioning costs are provided at the present value of expected costs to settle the obligation using estimated cash flows and are recognized as part of the cost of that particular asset. The cash flows are discounted at a current pre-tax rate that reflects the risks specific to the decommissioning liability. The unwinding of the discount is expensed as incurred and recognized as a finance cost. The estimated future costs of decommissioning are reviewed annually and adjusted as appropriate. Changes in the estimated future costs or in the discount rate applied are added to or deducted from the cost of the asset.

17. Income taxes

Income tax expense (income) is the aggregate amount included in the determination of profit or loss for the period in respect of current tax and deferred tax.

Current income tax

Current income tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities, using the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. Current income tax relating to items recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity is recognized in other comprehensive income or equity and not in profit or loss.

The surtax on undistributed retained earnings is recognized as income tax expense in the subsequent year when the distribution proposal is approved by the Shareholders' meeting.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is provided on temporary differences at the reporting date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- (1) Where the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.
- (2) In respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates and interests in joint arrangements, where the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilized, except:

- (1) Where the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.
- (2) In respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates and interests in joint arrangements, deferred tax assets are recognized only to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilized.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the asset is realized or the liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. The measurement of deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Consolidated Company expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities. Deferred tax relating to items recognized outside profit or loss is recognized outside profit or loss. Deferred tax items are recognized in correlation to the underlying transaction either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. Deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and are recognized accordingly.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset, if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd. has adopted the consolidated income tax return for income tax filings with its qualified subsidiaries, including the Company.

V. Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the Consolidated Company's consolidated financial statements require the management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities, at the end of the reporting period. However, uncertainty about these assumption and estimate could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in future periods.

1. Judgements

In the process of applying the Consolidated Company's accounting policies, the management has made the following judgements, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements:

The classification of financial assets

The management must make judgement for the classification of financial assets which would affect the method of accounting and the financial position and the result of operation of the Consolidated Company.

2. Estimates and assumptions

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

(1) Impairment of non-financial assets

An impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. The fair value less costs to sell calculation is based on available data from binding sales transactions in an arm's length transaction of similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs that would be directly attributable to the disposal of the asset. The value in use calculation is based on a discounted cash flow model. The cash flows projections are derived from the budget for the next five years and do not include restructuring activities that the Consolidated Company is not yet committed to or significant future investments that will enhance the asset's performance of the CGU being tested. The recoverable amount is most sensitive to the discount rate used for the discounted cash flow model as well as the expected future cash-inflows and the growth rate used for extrapolation purposes.

(2) Income tax

Deferred tax assets are recognized for all carryforward of unused tax losses and unused tax credits and deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available or there are sufficient taxable temporary differences against which the unused tax losses, unused tax credits or deductible temporary differences can be utilized. The amount of deferred tax assets determined to be recognized is based upon the likely timing and the level of future taxable profits and taxable temporary differences together with future tax planning strategies.

(3) Pension benefits

The cost of post-employment benefit and the present value of the pension obligation under defined benefit pension plans are determined using actuarial valuations. An actuarial valuation involves making various assumptions. These include the determination of the discount rate and future salary increases.

VI. Contents of significant accounts

1. Cash and cash equivalents

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Cash on hand	\$50	\$50
Demand deposits	54,197	73,724
Check deposits	65,332	78,396
Time deposits	1,589,000	1,384,000
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	327,000	240,000
Total	\$2,035,579	\$1,776,170

Time deposits were within twelve months' readily convertible to known amounts of cash and be subjected to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

2. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31(Note)
Financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss:		
Beneficiary certificates – open-end funds	\$58,765	\$-
Current	\$58,765	\$-
Non-current	-	-
Total	\$58,765	\$-
	2018.12.31(Note)	2017.12.31
Held for trading:		
Beneficiary certificates – open-end funds	\$-	\$2,235
Current	\$-	\$2,235
Non-current	-	-
Total	\$-	\$2,235

Note: The Consolidated Company adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018. The Consolidated Company elected not to restate prior periods in accordance with the transition provison in IFRS 9.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss were not pledged.

3. Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31(Note)
Equity instrument investments measured at fair		
value through other comprehensive income –		
Non-current:		
Unlisted companies' stocks	\$9,318	\$-

Note: The Consolidated Company adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018. The Consolidated Company elected not to restate prior periods in accordance with the transition provison in IFRS 9.

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income were not pledged.

4. Available-for-sale financial assets

	2018.12.31(Note)	2017.12.31
Beneficiary certificates-open-end funds	\$-	\$8,362
Current	\$-	\$-
Non-current	-	8,362
Total	\$-	\$8,362

Note: The Consolidated Company adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018. The Consolidated Company elected not to restate prior periods in accordance with the transition provison in IFRS 9.

Before 1 January 2018, available-for-sale financial assets based on IAS39 were not pledged.

5. Financial assets measured at amortized cost

	2018.12.31(Note)	2017.12.31
Available-for-sale financial assets	^	
Stocks	<u> </u>	\$13,986
Current	\$-	\$-
Non-current	-	13,986
Total	\$-	\$13,986

Note: The Consolidated Company adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018. The Consolidated Company elected not to restate prior periods in accordance with the transition provison in IFRS 9.

The Consolidated Company applied to IAS 39 before 1 January 2018. The above-mentioned investments in the equity instruments of unlisted entities are measured at cost as the fair value of these investments are not reliably measurable due to the fact that the variability in the range of reasonable fair value measurements is significant and that the probabilities of the various estimates within the range cannot be reasonably assessed and used when measuring fair value.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost were not pledged.

6. Investments accounted for using equity method

The following lists the investments accounted for using the equity method of the Consolidated Company:

	31 Decer	nber 2018	31 Decer	mber 2017
	Carrying	Percentage of	Carrying	Percentage of
Investees	amount	ownership (%)	amount	ownership (%)
Investments in associates				
CDBS Cathay Asset				
Management Co., Ltd.	\$458,070	33.3%	\$513,502	33.3%

- (1) The shares of the associates that the Consolidated Company invested in are not publicly traded. The associates are not significantly restricted in term of ability to transfer funds to the investors in the form of cash dividends, repayment of loans or advances.
- (2) Investment in associates

The summarized financial information of the associate is as follows:

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Current assets	\$1,395,245	\$1,526,284
Non-current assets	37,645	94,139
Current liabilities	(57,304)	(78,377)
Equity	1,375,586	1,542,046
Proportion of the Company's ownership	33.3%	33.3%
Carrying amount of the investment	\$458,070	\$513,502
	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Operating revenue	\$142,684	\$225,342
(Loss) profit from continuing operations	(132,772)	28,105
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive (loss) income	(132,772)	28,105

- (3) The Consolidated Company acquired 33.3% shareholding of CDBS Cathay Asset Management Co., Ltd. for CNY 66.6 million in August 2013. The investment has been approved by the Investment Commission, Ministry of Economic Affairs (MOEAIC). The Consolidated Company invested additional CNY 53.28 million as capital increase of CDBS in September 2017 which has been approved by the MOEAIC. For investment in Mainland China, please refer to Note XII.
- (4) The associates had no contingent liabilities or capital commitments or pledged investment as at 31 December 2018, and 31 December 2017.

7. Property and equipment

	Computer	Office	Leasehold	T (1
~	equipment	equipment	improvements	Total
Cost:				
2018.1.1	\$38,992	\$9,785	\$67,442	\$116,219
Additions	5,076	520	3,984	9,580
Disposals	(3,588)	(530)		(4,118)
2018.12.31	\$40,480	\$9,775	\$71,426	\$121,681
2017.1.1	\$35,292	\$10,945	\$64,778	\$111,015
Additions	4,298	-	2,664	6,962
Disposals	(598)	(1,160)	-	(1,758)
2017.12.31	\$38,992	\$9,785	\$67,442	\$116,219
Depreciation and impairment:				
2018.1.1	\$(23,911)	\$(6,147)	\$(31,470)	\$(61,528)
Depreciation	(4,955)	(658)	(12,754)	(18,367)
Disposals	3,588	530	-	4,118
2018.12.31	\$(25,278)	\$(6,275)	\$(44,224)	\$(75,777)
2017.1.1	\$(19,973)	\$(6,216)	\$(17,851)	\$(44,040)
Depreciation	(4,536)	(932)	(13,619)	(19,087)
Disposals	598	1,001	-	1,599
2017.12.31	\$(23,911)	\$(6,147)	\$(31,470)	\$(61,528)
Net carrying amount as at:				
2018.12.31	\$15,202	\$3,500	\$27,202	\$45,904
2017.12.31	\$15,081	\$3,638	\$35,972	\$54,691

No property and equipment was pledged.

8. Intangible assets

		Addition- acquired		
	2018.1.1	separately	Amortization	2018.12.31
Computer software				
Cost	\$65,754	\$11,020	\$-	\$76,774
Amortization and impairment	(57,077)	-	(5,826)	(62,903)
Net carrying amount	\$8,677	\$11,020	\$(5,826)	\$13,871
	2017.1.1	Addition- acquired separately	Amortization	2017.12.31
Computer software	2017.1.1	acquired	Amortization	2017.12.31
Computer software Cost	<u>2017.1.1</u> \$61,189	acquired	Amortization \$-	<u>2017.12.31</u> \$65,754
1	·	acquired separately		
Cost	\$61,189	acquired separately	\$-	\$65,754

9. Refundable deposits

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Lease deposits	\$11,276	\$10,357
Security deposits (Note1)	219,200	173,670
Operating deposits (Note2)	50,000	50,000
Total	\$280,476	\$234,027

Note 1: Security deposits are used as collaterals in certain discretionary contracts.

Note 2: Operating deposits are aiming to operate the futures trust business and discretionary investment in according to "Standards Governing the Establishment of Futures Trust Enterprises" and "Regulations Governing the Conduct of Discretionary Investment Business by Securities Investment Trust Enterprises".

10. Deferred expenses, deffered income and contract liabilities

On 6 August 2014, 24 October 2013 and 26 October 2012, the Consolidated Company organized principal protected investment trust funds, and received fund management fees incomes of the contract amounted to \$170,631 thousand (calculated by raised scale accordingly) and paid distributors \$102,644 thousand for sales costs, which were recognized as deferred income and expenses, respectively. The Consolidated Company offered management service, in accordance with the contracts and transferred deferred income and expenses to management fees income and operating expenses over time.

The Consolidated Company issued post-received type beneficiary units with approval of the competent authority on 4 May 2018. Following the relative contracts, the Consolidated Company pays the marketing mechanisms subsidy of handling fees after the post-received type beneficiary units are sold. The expenses will be amortized by straight line method on the basis of the evaluation of the economic benefit period within 3 years. If the beneficiary units are redeemed by the investors within 3 years, the Consolidated Company will recognize the unamortized amounts as expenses immediately. The Consolidated Company evaluates the recoverability and the impairment of post-received type beneficiary units handling fee.

For the year ended 31 December 2018, prepayments which will be transferred to expenses in one year and other non-current assets which will be transferred to expenses one year later are amounted to \$21,339 thousand and \$24,328 thousand, respectively. Deferred income which will be transferred to revenue of contract liabilities-current and contract liabilities-non current which will be transferred to revenue one year later are amounted to \$21,421 thousand and \$20,682 thousand, respectively. The amounts that have been transferred to management fees income and operating expenses amounted to \$23,502 thousand and \$19,564 thousand, respectively.

For the year ended 31 December 2017, prepayments which will be transferred to expenses in one year and other non-current assets which will be transferred to expenses one year later are amounted to \$14,139 thousand and \$25,293 thousand, respectively. Deferred income which will be transferred to revenue in one year and long-term deferred income which will be transferred to revenue one year later are amounted to \$23,502 thousand and \$42,103 thousand, respectively. The amounts that have been transferred to management fees income and operating expenses amounted to \$23,502 thousand and \$14,139 thousand, respectively.

11.Post-employment benefits

(1) Defined contribution plan

The Company adopts a defined contribution plan in accordance with the Labor Pension Act of the ROC Under the Labor Pension Act, the Company and its domestic subsidiaries will make monthly contributions of no less than 6% of the employees' monthly wages to the employees' individual pension accounts. The Company have made monthly contributions of 6% of each individual employee's salaries or wages to employees' pension accounts.

Operating expenses under the defined contribution plan for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017 are \$16,722 thousand and \$15,115 thousand, respectively.

(2) Defined benefits plan

The Company adopts a defined benefit plan in accordance with the Labor Standards Act of the ROC. The pension benefits are disbursed based on the units of service years and one month's average wage of the worker at the time when his or her retirement is approved. Two units per year are awarded for the first 15 years of services while one unit per year is awarded after the completion of the 15th year. The total units shall not exceed 45 units. Under the Labor Standards Act, the Company contributes an amount equivalent to 2% of the employees' total salaries and wages on a monthly basis to the pension fund deposited at the Bank of Taiwan in the name of the administered pension fund committee. Before the end of each year, the Company assesses the balance in the designated labor pension fund. If the amount is inadequate to pay pensions calculated for workers retiring in the following year, the Company will make up the difference in one appropriation before the end of March of the following year.

The Ministry of Labor is in charge of establishing and implementing the fund utilization plan in accordance with the Regulations for Revenues, Expenditures, Safeguard and Utilization of the Labor Retirement Fund. The pension fund is invested in-house or under mandatory, based on a passive-aggressive investment strategy for long-term profitability. The Ministry of Labor establishes control and risk management mechanism based on the assessment of risk factors including market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk, in order to maintain adequate flexibility to achieve targeted return without over-exposure of risk. With regard to utilization of the pension fund, the minimum earnings in the annual distributions on the final financial statement shall not be less than the earnings attainable from the amounts accrued from two-year time deposits with the interest rates offered by local banks. Treasury Funds can be used to cover the deficits after the approval of the competent authority. As the Company does not participate in the operation and management of the pension fund, no disclosure on the fair value of the plan assets categorized in different classes could be made in accordance with paragraph 142 of IAS 19. The Company expects to contribute \$1,815 thousand to its defined benefit plan during the 12 months beginning after 31 December 2018.

The average duration of the defined benefits plan obligation as at 31 December 2018 and 2017 are both expected to expire in 2030.

Pension costs recognized in profit or loss for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017:

	For the years ended 31 December		
	2018 2017		
Current period service costs	\$(3,035)	\$(2,788)	
Net interest expense	(1,301)	(1,150)	
Total	\$(4,336)	\$(3,938)	

Reconciliation of asset (liability) of the defined benefit plan is as follows:

Defined benefit obligation	\$	(135,533)	\$(112,328)
Plan assets at fair value		25,809	23,088
Net defined benefit liabilities recognized on the balance	ice		
sheets	\$	(109,724)	\$(89,240)
D	Defined		Net defined
b	penefit	Fair value of	benefit asset
ob	ligation	plan assets	(liability)
2017.1.1	\$(93,889)	\$21,306	\$(72,583)
Current period service costs	(2,788)	-	(2,788)
Net interest income (expense)	(1,533)	383	(1,150)
Subtotal	(4,321)	383	(3,938)
Remeasurements of the net defined benefit asset			
(liability):			
Actuarial gains and losses arising from			
changes in demographic assumptions	(529)	-	(529)
Actuarial gains and losses arising from			
changes in financial assumptions	(11,025)	-	(11,025)
Experience adjustments	(2,564)	-	(2,564)
Return on plan assets	-	(185)	(185)
Subtotal	14,118	(185)	14,303
Contributions by employer	-	1,584	1,584
2017.12.31	(112,328)	23,088	(89,240)
Current period service costs	(3,035)	-	(3,035)
Net interest income (expense)	(1,670)	369	(1,301)
Subtotal	(4,705)	369	(4,336)
Remeasurements of the net defined benefit asset			
(liability):			
Actuarial gains and losses arising from	(381)	-	(381)
changes in demographic assumptions			
Actuarial gains and losses arising from	(12,147)	-	(12,147)
changes in financial assumptions			
Experience adjustments	(5,972)	-	(5,972)
Return on plan assets	-	537	(537)
Subtotal	(18,500)	537	(17,963)
Contributions by employer	-	1,815	1,815
2018.12.31	(135,533)	\$25,809	\$(109,724)

The following significant actuarial assumptions are used to determine the present value of the defined benefit plan:

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Discount rate	1.21%-1.36%	1.39%-1.60%
Expected rate of salary increases	3.50%	3.00%

A sensitivity analysis for significant assumption is as shown below:

	For the years ended 31 December				
	20	18	2017		
	Increase on Decrease on I		Increase on	Decrease on	
	defined	defined	defined	defined	
	benefit	benefit	benefit	benefit	
	obligation	obligation	obligation	obligation	
Discount rate increases by 0.5%	\$-	\$8,773	\$-	\$7,275	
Discount rate decreases by 0.5%	9,519	-	7,915	-	
Future salary increases by 0.5%	9,261	-	7,756	-	
Future salary decreases by 0.5%	-	8,633	-	7,208	

The sensitivity analyses above are based on a change in a significant assumption (for example: change in discount rate or future salary), keeping all other assumptions constant. The sensitivity analyses may not be representative of an actual change in the defined benefit obligation as it is unlikely that changes in assumptions would occur in isolation of one another.

There was no change in the methods and assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analyses compared to the previous period.

12. Provisions

	Decommissioning , restoration and rehabilitation	Employee benefit liability	Total
1 Jan 2018	\$6,750	\$89,240	\$95,990
Arising during the period	-	22,299	22,299
Unused provision reversed	-	(1,815)	(1,815)
31 Dec 2018	\$6,750	\$109,724	\$116,474
	Decommissioning , restoration and	Employee benefit	
	rehabilitation	liability	Total
1 Jan 2017	\$6,750	\$72,583	\$79,333
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Arising during the period	-	18,241	18,241
Arising during the period Unused provision reversed		,	,
	\$6,750	18,241	18,241

Decommissioning, restoration and rehabilitation

A provision has been recognized for decommissioning costs associated with the office. The Consolidated Company is committed to decommissioning the site as a result of the construction of the office.

13. Equity

(1) Common Stock

As of 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, the authorized and issued capital of the Company both were \$1,500,000 thousand, at par value of \$10 New Taiwan Dollar divided into 150,000 thousand shares.

(2) <u>Capital reserves</u>

As of 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, capital surplus of the Company were both \$13,908 thousand.

According to the Company Act, the capital reserve shall not be used except for making good the deficit of the company. When a company incurs no loss, it may distribute the capital reserves related to the income derived from the issuance of new shares at a premium or income from endowments received by the company. The distribution could be made in cash or in the form of dividend shares to its shareholders in proportion to the number of shares being held by each of them.

(3) Legal reserves

According to the Company Act, 10% of the Company's after-tax net income in the current year must be appropriated to legal reserve unless where such legal reserve amounts to the total authorized capital. This legal reserve can be used to make good the deficit of the Company. When the Company incurs no loss, it may distribute the portion of legal reserve which exceeds 25% of the paid-in capital by issuing new shares or by cash in proportion to the number of shares being held by each of shareholders.

(4) <u>Special reserves</u>

According to the Rules Governing Future Trust Enterprises, the Company shall appropriate 20% of the current year after income tax earnings as special reserve. Once the special reserve reaches the paid-in capital, it shall not be appropriated. In accordance with Order No. Financial-Supervisory-Securities-Investment-1010055977 issued on 12 December 2012, the Company shall set aside an equal amount of special reserve for the net decreased amount of other equity in current year. In accordance with Order No. Financial-Supervisory-Securities-Investment-10500278285 issued on 5 August 2016, the Company shall appripriate 0.5% to 1% of net income as special reserve when distributing earnings of 2016 to 2018 for the development of fintech.

(5) Retained earnings and dividend policies

According to the Company's Articles of Incorporation, current year's earnings, if any, shall be distributed in the following order:

- A. Payment of all taxes and dues;
- B. Offset prior years' operation losses;
- C. Set aside 10% of the remaining amount after deducting items A. and B. as legal reserve; and
- D. Set aside or reverse special reserve in accordance with law and regulations.

According to the Company Act, the Company needs to set aside amount to legal reserve unless where such legal reserve amounts to the total authorized capital. The legal reserve can be used to make good the deficit of the Company. When the Company incurs no loss, it may distribute the portion of legal serve which exceeds 25% of the paid-in capital by issuing new shares or by cash in proportion to the number of shares being held by each of the shareholders.

According to the Company's Articles of Incorporation, 1% of profit of the current year is distributable as employees' compensation. Please refer to Note VI (15) for further details about employees' compensation.

The Company distributes dividends in cash under the principle of promoting financial stability and maintaining shareholders' interests.

14. Operating income

	For the years ended 31		
	December		
	2018 2017		
Management fees income	\$2,375,909	\$1,735,535	
Sales and Advisory service fees income	35,669	20,192	
Total	\$2,411,578	\$1,755,727	

Note: The Consolidated Company has adopted IFRS 15 starting from 1 January 2018. There's no cumulative effect of initial adopting the standard at the date of initial adoption.

The Consolidated Company has adopted IFRS 15 starting from 1 January 2018. Analysis of revenue from contracts with customers is as follows:

(1) Disaggregation of revenue

	For the year ended
	31 December 2018
Timing of revenue recognition :	
At a point in time	\$234,693
Over time	2,176,885
Total	\$2,411,578

(2) Contract balances

Contract liabilities

	Beginning	Ending	
	balance	balance	Difference
Rendering of services	\$65,605	\$42,103	\$23,502

For the year ending 31 December 2018, the Consolidated Company's contract liabilities decreased by \$23,502 thousand as revenue from rendering of services from the contract consideration at the reporting date.

15. Operating expenses

Summary statement of employee benefits, depreciation and amortization expenses by function during the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017:

	For the years ended 31 December		
	2018	2017	
Personnel expenses			
Salary	\$680,832	\$538,353	
Insurance	35,384	31,515	
Pension	21,058	19,053	
Director's remuneration	12,427	10,313	
Other employee benefits	12,340	11,865	
Depreciation	18,367	19,087	
Amortization	5,826	5,381	

According to the Article of Incorporation, 1% of profit of the current year is distributable as employees' compensation. However, the Company's accumulated losses shall have been covered. The Company may, by a resolution adopted by a majority vote at a meeting of Board of Directors attended by two-thirds of the total number of directors, have the profit distributable as employees' compensation in cash.

Based on profit of current year, the Company estimated the amounts of the employees' compensation for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017 to be 1% of profit of current year recognized \$8,211 thousand and \$5,306 thousand, respectively, as employee benefits expense. If the estimated amounts differ from the actual distribution resolved by the Board of Directors, the Company will recognize the difference as an adjustment to current income.

On 14 March 2018, the amount of employees' compensation resolved at the Board of Directors meeting to be paid for the year ended 31 December 2017 was \$5,306 thousand. There was no material difference between the estimated amount and the actual distribution of the employees' compensation for the year ended 31 December 2017.

For the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017, average number of employees of the Consolidated Company are 290 and 275, respectively. Among them, the average number of directors who are not concurrent employees are both 4.

As of 31 December 2018 and 2017, the number of employees of the Consolidated Company are 296 and 273, respectively.

16. <u>Components of other comprehensive income</u>

For the year ended 31 December 2018

	Arising during the period	Reclassification adjustments during the period	comprehensive		Other comprehensive income, net of tax
Not to be reclassified to profit or loss					
in subsequent periods:					
Remeasurements of defined benefit					
plans	\$(17,962)	\$-	\$(17,962)	\$3,592	\$(14,370)
Unrealized valuation losses on equity					
instrument investment at fair value					
through other comprehensive					
income	(934)	-	(934)	-	(934)
To be reclassified to profit or loss in					
subsequent periods:					
Share of other comprehensive					
income of associate accounted for					
using the equity method	(11,218)		(11,218)		(11,218)
Total of other comprehensive					
income(loss)	\$(30,114)	\$-	\$(30,114)	\$3,592	\$(26,522)

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	Arising during the period	Reclassification adjustments during the period	Other comprehensive income, before tax	Income tax relating to components of other comprehensive income	Other comprehensive income, net of tax
Not to be reclassified to profit or loss					
in subsequent periods: Remeasurements of defined benefit					
plans	\$(14,304)	\$-	\$(14,304)	\$2,432	\$(11,872)
To be reclassified to profit or loss in					
subsequent periods: Unrealized gains (losses)on					
available-for-sale financial assets	(10,139)	11,292	1,153	-	1,153
Share of other comprehensive					
income of associate accounted					
for using the equity method	(2,015)		(2,015)	-	(2,015)
Total of other comprehensive					
income(loss)	\$(26,458)	\$11,292	\$(15,166)	\$2,432	\$(12,734)

17. Income tax

The amendments to the Income Tax Act was promulgated on 7 February 2018. The amendments raised the corporate income tax rate of the Consolidated Company from 17% to 20% and changed the corporation income tax rate of undistributed earnings from 10% to 5% starting from 2018.

(1) The major components of income tax expense are as follows:

	For the years ended 31 December	
	2018 2017	
Income tax expense recognized in profit or loss		
Current income tax expense:		
Current income tax charge	\$174,479	\$84,743
Adjustments in respect of current income tax of prior		
periods	17	312
Deferred tax (income) expense:		
Deferred tax (income) expense relating to origination		
and reversal of temporary differences	(886)	766
Deferred tax income relating to changes in tax rate or		
the imposition of new taxes	(2,892)	-
Income tax expense	\$170,718	\$85,821

	2018	2017
Income tax expense recognized in other comprehensive		
income		
Deferred tax (income) expense:		
Remeasurement of defined benefit plans	\$(3,592)	\$(2,432)

(2) A reconciliation between tax expense and the product accounting profit multiplied by applicable tax rates is as follows:

	For the years ended 31 December		
	2018	2017	
Accounting profit before tax from continuing operations	\$812,495	\$525,236	
Tax at the domestic rates applicable to profits in the country concerned Adjustments in respect of current income tax of prior	\$162,499	89,294	
periods	17	312	
Tax effect of deferred tax assets/liabilities	5,955	(1,612)	
Tax effect of revenue exempt from taxation	2,247	(2,173)	
Total income tax expense recognized in profit or loss	\$170,718	\$85,821	

(3) Deferred tax assets (liabilities) relate to the following:

For the year ended 31 December 2018

2			Deferred tax income	
	Beginning	Deferred tax	recognized in	Ending
	balance as at	income	other	balance as at
	1 January	recognized in	comprehensive	31 December
	2018	profit or loss	income	2018
Temporary differences				
Defined benefit liability	\$15,171	\$3,182	\$3,592	\$21,945
Unrealized (gains) losses				
on foreign currency				
exchange	50	(26)	-	24
Decommissioning costs	478	354	-	832
Others	689	268	-	957
Deferred tax income		\$3,778	\$3,592	
Net deferred tax assets	\$16,388			\$23,758
Reflected in balance sheets as follows:				
Deferred tax assets	\$16,388			\$23,758
Deferred tax liabilities	\$-			\$-

For the year ended 31 December 2017

			Deferred tax	
			income	
	Beginning	Deferred tax	recognized in	Ending
	balance as at	income	other	balance as at
	1 January	recognized in	comprehensive	31 December
	2017	profit or loss	income	2017
Temporary differences		·		
Defined benefit liability	\$12,339	\$400	\$2,432	\$15,171
Unrealized (gains) losses				
on foreign currency				
exchange	2,014	(1,964)	-	50
Decommissioning costs	249	229	-	478
Others	120	569	-	689
Deferred tax income		\$(766)	\$2,432	
Net deferred tax assets	\$14,722			\$16,388
Reflected in balance sheets as follows:				
Deferred tax assets	\$14,722			\$16,388
Deferred tax liabilities	\$-			\$-

(4) The assessment of income tax returns

As of 31 December 2018, the Company's income tax returns for the years prior to 2014 have been assessed by tax authority. The subsidiary, Cathay Private Equity Co., Ltd.'s income tax return for the year ended 31, December 2017 has been assessed by tax authority

18. Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share are calculated by dividing net profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent entity by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year.

The Consolidated Company does not issue any dilutive potential ordinary shares. Therefore, the Company does not need to adjust diluted earnings per share.

	For the years ended 31 December	
	2018 2017	
Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company		
(in thousand NT\$)	\$641,777	\$439,415
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for		
basic earnings per share (in thousands)	150,000	150,000
Basic earnings per share (NT\$)	\$4.28	\$2.93

There have been no other transactions involving ordinary shares or potential ordinary shares between the reporting date and the date the consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue.

VII. Related party transactions

Information of the related parties that had transactions with the Consolidated Company during the financial reporting period is as follows:

1. Relationship to the Company

Name	Nature of the relationship
Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd.	Parent company
Cathay Life Insurance Co., Ltd.	Other related party
Cathay United Bank Co., Ltd.	Other related party
Cathay Century Insurance Co., Ltd.	Other related party
Cathay Securities Co., Ltd.	Other related party
Conning Asia Pacific Limited	Other related party
Conning, Inc.	Other related party
Symphox Information Co., Ltd.	Other related party

2. Significant transactions with related parties

(1) Cash in bank

The Consolidated Company's deposits and related interest income and interest receivable in Cathay United Bank Co., Ltd are as follows:

	2018.	12.31	2017.1	12.31
	\$10)1,890	\$14	43,477
	\$8	30,300	\$8	36,300
For the ye	ars end	ed 31 E	Decembe	er
2018			2017	
Amounts	%	Amo	unts	%
\$210	-		\$252	-
	2018 Amounts	\$10 \$8 For the years end 2018 Amounts %	2018 Amounts % Amo	\$101,890 \$14 \$80,300 \$8 For the years ended 31 December 2018 2018 2017 Amounts %

(2) Management fees income and accounts receivable

	For the years ended 31 December				
	2018	2018			
Related parties	Amounts	%	Amounts	%	
Other related parties					
The funds managed by the Consolidated					
Company	\$1,825,974	76	\$1,445,593	82	
Cathay Life Insurance Co., Ltd	402,183	17	152,394	9	
Cathay Century Insurance Co., Ltd.	4,230	-	5,391	-	
Total	\$2,232,387	93	\$1,603,378	91	

Management fees income

Accounts receivable resulting from management fees income to related-parties as of 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 are summarized as follows:

2018.12.31		2017.12.31	
Amounts	%	Amounts	%
\$154,280	86	\$145,162	84
13,166	7	14,576	8
236	_	387	-
\$167,682	93	\$160,125	92
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(3) Advisory services income

	For the ye	For the years ended 31 December			
	2018	2018			
Related parties	Amounts	%	Amounts	%	
Other related parties					
Cathay United Bank Co., Ltd	\$7,200		\$4,200		

There is no accounts receivable resulting from Advisory services income to related-parties as of 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017.

(4) Rental expense and refundable deposits

Details of rental expense of the office and car leased from related parties were as follows:

	For the years ended 31 December		
	2018	2017	
Other related parties			
Cathay Life Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$48,087	\$45,132	

Refundable deposits of the office premises from Cathay Life Insurance Co., Ltd. were \$10,991 and \$10,093 thousand on 31 December 2018 and 2017, respectively.

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

	2018.12.31		
Related parties	Account balance	Unit	
Other related parties			
The funds managed by the Consolidated			
Company	\$58,765	3,715,411.3	
	2017.1	2.31	
Related parties	Account balance	Unit	
Other related parties			
The funds managed by the Consolidated			
Company	\$2,235	104,490.0	
	2018.1	2.31	
Related parties	Account balance	Unit	
Other related parties The funds managed by the Consolidated			
Company	\$-		
	2017.1	2.31	
Related parties	Account balance	Unit	
Other related parties			
The funds managed by the Consolidated			
Company	\$8,362	413,058.4	

(7) <u>Prepaid expenses (Note 2)</u>

Related parties	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Other related parties Cathay Life Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$12,175	\$13,272
(8) Other non-current assets-other (Note 2)		
Related parties	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Other related parities Cathay Life Insurance Co., Ltd.	\$12,409	\$24,584
(9) Other payables		
Related parties	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Parent Company		
Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd. (Note3)	\$82,083	\$57,089
Other related parities		
Cathay Life Insurance Co., Ltd.	14,662	20,278
Conning Asia Pacific Limited	31,003	28,419
Cathay United Bank Co., Ltd.	3,356	9,288
Total	\$131,104	\$115,074

(10) Operating Expenses

	For the years ended 31 December	
Transaction types	2018	2017
Selling expenses and service fees	\$43,295	\$38,319
Selling expenses	95,521	103,693
Consulting expenses	120,304	90,805
Consulting expenses	10,604	10,635
Selling expenses	6,905	1,775
Data transferring expenses	5,363	5,575
	\$281,992	\$250,802
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- Note 1: The Consolidated Company adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018 and elected not to restate prior periods in accordance with the transitional provision in IFRS 9.
- Note 2: The Consolidated Company paid sales cost of fund and recognized it as deferred expenses (NoteVI.10.andVI.14); however, Cathy Life Insurance Co.,Ltd. recognized as current revenue when tranction occurred. Therefore, the Consolidated Company still have related assets yet recognized as expenses.
- Note 3: Payables for allocation of linked-tax system.

(11) Key management personnel compensation

	For the years ended 31		
	December		
	2018	2017	
Short-term employee benefit	\$85,583	\$68,460	
Post-employment benefits	1,974	1,824	
Total	\$87,557	\$70,284	

VIII. Assets pledged as security

None.

IX. Commitments and contingencies

Operating lease commitments – The Consolidated Company as lessee

The Consolidated Company has entered into commercial property leases from two to five years. Future minimum rentals payable under non-cancellable operating leases as at 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 are as follows:

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Not later than one year	\$47,106	\$43,972
Later than one year and not later than five years	761	43,050
Total	\$47,867	\$87,022

X. Losses due to major disasters

None.

XI. Significant subsequent events

None.

XII. Others

1. Categories of financial instruments

Financial assets

	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:		
Held for trading	(Note1)	\$2,235
Financial assets designated at fair value through profit or		
loss	\$58,765	(Note1)
Subtotal	58,765	2,235
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive		
income	9,318	(Note1)
Available-for-sale financial assets	(Note1)	8,362
Financial assets measured at amortized cost	(Note1)	13,986
Loans and receivables (Note 2)		
Cash and cash equivalents (exclude cash on hand)	2,035,529	1,776,120
Receivables	184,407	178,199
Refundable deposits	280,476	234,027
Subtotal	2,500,412	2,188,346
Total	\$2,568,495	\$2,212,929
Financial liabilities		
	2018.12.31	2017.12.31
Financial liabilities at amortized cost:		
Payables	\$443,793	\$355,345

- Note 1: The Consolidated Company adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018. The Consolidated Company elected not to restate prior periods in accordance with the transition provison in IFRS 9.
- Note 2: Include cash and cash equivalents (exclude cash on hand), receivables and refundable deposits.

2. Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Consolidated Company's principal financial risk management objective is to manage the market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk related to its operating activities. The Consolidated Company identifies measures and manages the aforementioned risks based on the Consolidated Company's policy and risk appetite.

The Consolidated Company has established appropriate policies, procedures and internal controls for financial risk management. Before entering into significant transactions, due approval process by the Board of Directors must be carried out based on related protocols and internal control procedures. The Consolidated Company complies with its financial risk management policies at all times.

3. Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of the changes in market prices. Market prices comprise currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk (such as equity risk).

In practice, it is rarely the case that a single risk variable will change independently from other risk variable, there is usually interdependencies between risk variables. However the sensitivity analysis disclosed below does not take into account the interdependencies between risk variables.

(1) Foreign currency risk

The foreign currency sensitivity analysis of the possible change in foreign exchange rates on the Consolidated Company's profit is performed on significant monetary items denominated in foreign currencies as at the end of the reporting period. The Consolidated Company's foreign currency risk is mainly related to the volatility in the exchange rates for foreign currency USD and CNY.

When NTD strengthens/weakens against foreign currency USD by 1%, the profit for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017 is decreased/increased by \$373 thousand and \$498 thousand, respectively.

When NTD strengthens/weakens against foreign currency CNY by 1%, the profit for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017 is decreased/increased by 31 thousand and 21 thousand, respectively.

(2) <u>Interest rate risk</u>

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Consolidated Company manages its interest rate risk by having a balanced portfolio of fixed income investments.

The interest rate sensitivity analysis is performed on items exposed to interest rate risk as at the end of the reporting period, including fixed income investments. There are no significant effect to the Consolidated Company's net income of 31 December 2018 and 2017, when a change of interest rate in a reporting period.

(3) Equity price risk

The fair value of the Consolidated Company's unlisted equity securities are susceptible to market price risk arising from uncertainties about future values of the investment securities. The Consolidated Company's unlisted equity securities are classified under available-for-sale financial assets before 1 January 2018 and are classified under financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income starting from 1 January 2018. The Consolidated Company manages the equity price risk through diversification and placing limits on individual and total equity instruments. Reports on the equity portfolio are submitted to the Consolidated Company's senior management on a regular basis. The Consolidated Company's Board of Directors reviews and approves all equity investment decisions.

For the year ended 31 December 2017, a decrease of 1% in the price of the unlisted equity securities classified as available-for-sale could have an impact of \$140 thousand on the income or equity attributable to the Consolidated Company. An increase of 1% in the value of the unlisted securities would only impact equity but would not have an effect on profit or loss.

For the ended 31 December 2018, a change of 1% in the price of the unlisted companies stocks classified as equity instruments investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income could have an impact of \$93 thousand on the equity attributable to the Consolidated Company.

The benficiary certificates that held by the Consolidated Company are under financial assets held-for-trading and available-for-sale financial assets and reclassified under financial asset at fair value through profit or loss starting from 1 January 2018. The fair values are based on the net worth or market value.

For the year ended 31 December 2017, an increase/decrease of 1% in the price of the benficiary certificates under held-for-trading and available-for-sale could have an impact of \$22 thousand and \$83 thousand on the income and equity of the year ended 31 December 2017 attributable to the Consolidated Company, respectively.

For the year ended 31 December 2018, an increase/decrease of 1% in the price of the benficiary certificates under fair value through other comprehensive income financial assets have an impact of \$588 thousand on income of the year ended 31 December 2018 attributable to the Consolidated Company.

4. Credit risk management

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will not meet its obligations under a contract, leading to a financial loss. The Consolidated Company is exposed to credit risk from operating activities (primarily for accounts receivables and notes receivables) and from its financing activities, including bank deposits and other financial instruments.

As of 31 December 2018 and 2017, amounts receivables from top ten customers represent 59.18% and 72.67% of the total accounts receivables of the Consolidated Company, respectively. The credit concentration risk of other accounts receivables is insignificant.

The Consolidated Company only transacts with counterparties approved by the internal control procedures, which are banks and financial institutions, companies and government entities with good credit rating and with no significant default risk. Consequently, there is no significant credit risk for these counterparties.

5. Liquidity risk management

The Consolidated Company's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of cash and cash equivalents and highly liquid equity investments. As of 31 December 2018 and 2017, debts of the Consolidated Company are mature within a year. The Consolidated Company does not have any financial liabilities based on the contractual payment.

6. Fair values of financial instruments

(1) The methods and assumptions applied in determining the fair value of financial instruments:

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The following methods and assumptions were used by the Consolidated Company to measure or disclose the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities:

- (A) The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivables, accounts payable approximate their fair value due to their short maturities.
- (B) For financial assets and liabilities traded in an active market with standard terms and conditions, their fair value is determined based on market quotation price (including listed equity securities and bonds) at the reporting date.
- (C) Fair value of equity instruments without market quotations (including private placement of listed equity securities, unquoted public company and private company equity securities) are estimated using the market method valuation techniques based on parameters such as prices based on market transactions of equity instruments of identical or comparable entities and other relevant information (for example, inputs such as discount for lack of marketability, P/E ratio of similar entities and Price-Book ratio of similar entities).
- (D) The fair value of other financial assets and liabilities is determined using discounted cash flow analysis, the interest rate and discount rate are selected with reference to those of similar financial instruments.

(2) Fair value of financial instruments measured at amortized cost

The carrying amount of the Consolidated Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost approximate their fair value.

7. Fair value measurement hierarchy

(1) Fair value measurement hierarchy

All asset and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorized within the fair value hierarchy, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole. Level 1, 2 and 3 inputs are described as follows:

Level 1: quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

For assets and liabilities that are recognized in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Consolidated Company determines whether transfers have occurred between Levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorization at the end of each reporting period.

(2) Fair value measurement hierarchy of the Company's assets and liabilities

The Consolidated Company does not have assets that are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Fair value measurement hierarchy of the Consolidated Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis is as follows:

2018.12.31				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets: Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Beneficiary certificates-open-end				
funds	\$58,765	\$-	\$-	\$58,765
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income				
Stocks	\$-	\$-	\$9,318	\$9,318
2017.12.31				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets:	·			
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Beneficiary certificates-open-end				
funds	\$2,235	\$-	\$-	\$2,235
Available-for-sale financial assets Beneficiary certificates-open-end				
funds	\$8,362	\$-	\$-	\$8,362
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During the years ended 31 December 2018 and 2017, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements.

Reconciliation for fair value measurements in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy for movements during the period is as follows:

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	Stock
2018.1.1(Note)	\$10,252
Amount recognized in profit or loss in 2018:	
Amount recognized in other comprehensive income	
(presented in "Unrealized gains (losses) from equity	
instruments investments measured at fair value through other	
comprehensive income)	(934)
2018.12.31	\$9,318

Note: The Consolidated Company adopted IFRS 9 starting from 1 January 2018. The Consolidated Company elected not to restate prior periods in accordance with the transition provison in IFRS 9.

Total gains and losses recognized in profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2018 in the table above contain gains and losses related to assets on hand as of 31 December 2018 in the amount of \$0.

Information on significant unobservable inputs to valuation

Description of significant unobservable inputs to valuation of recurring fair value measurements categorized within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy is as follows:

2018.12.31

	Valuation techniques	Significant unobservable inputs	Quantitative	Relationship between inputs and fair value	Sensitivity of the input to fair value
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	t	<u> </u>	mormation		
Stocks	Market approach	Discount for lack of marketability	10%	The higher the discount for lack of marketability, the lower the fair value of the stocks	discount for lack of marketability

Valuation process used for fair value measurements categorized within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy

The Consolidated Company's Conference of self-owned capital is responsible for validating the fair value measurements and ensuring that the results of the valuation are in line with market conditions, based on independent and reliable inputs which are consistent with other information, and represent exercisable prices. The Conference analyses the movements in the values of assets and liabilities which are required to be remeasured or re-assessed as per the Consolidated Company's accounting policies at each reporting date.

8. Significant assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies

Information regarding the significant assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies is listed below:

Monetary unit: Thousands of Foreign currency			
2018.12.31			
Foreign			
Foreign currencies	exchange rate	NTD	
\$1,216	30.7330	\$37,364	
102,335	4.4762	\$458,070	
2017.12.31			
Foreign			
Foreign currencies	exchange rate	NTD	
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\$1,668	29.8480	\$49,780	
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The above information is disclosed based on the carrying amount of foreign currency (after conversion to functional currency).

9. Capital management

The primary objective of the Consolidated Company's capital management is to ensure that it maintains a strong credit rating and healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximize shareholder value. The Consolidated Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it, in light of changes in economic conditions. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Consolidated Company may adjust dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares.

10. Information regarding investment in Mainland China

On 9 January 2012, MOEAIC authorized the Company to remit CNY 66,600 thousand as the registered capital to establish CDBS Cathay Asset Management Co., Ltd., a China-based fund management business, in the form of a joint venture with China Development Bank Securities Co., Ltd. The joint venture company has acquired a business license of an enterprise as legal person on 16 August 2013 with an authorized capital of CNY 200,000 thousand and the Company acquired 33.3% shareholding. A resolution was passed at a Board of Directors meeting of the Company held on 9 November 2016 to increase capital in joint venture CDBS Cathay Asset Management Co., Ltd., by cash of CNY 53,280 thousand or USD equivalent in accordance with original contribution ratio. The FSC and the MOEAIC authorized the investment on 16 May 2017 and 9 June 2017, respectively. As of 31 December 2018, the Company has remitted CNY 119,880 thousand in total.

XIII. Segment information

1. General information

- (1) The Consolidated Company's operating segment report consists with the internal report to primary operating decision makers. The primary operating decision makers means an individual or a team that assign resource to the operating segment and evaluate the performance of the operating segment. The Consolidated Company's Board of directors are the primary operating decision makers.
- (2) The Consolidated Company's Board of Directors (primary operating decision makers) reviewed the operating results of the operating segment periodically and make decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment.

- 2. Evaluation of segment information
 - (1) The Consolidated Company operates under a single business strategy. The Consolidated Company's Board of Directors makes decisions based on resource allocation and performance assessment of the Consolidated Company as a whole, the Consolidated Company has only one reportable operating segment.
 - (2) Operating results of the Consolidated Company's operating segment are mainly from management fees income. The Consolidated Company's Board of Directors evaluates the performance based on net income before and after income tax.
 - (3) The Consolidated Company has only one reportable segment and not to disclose the information of segment profit, assets and liabilities.