

Our owner



Sparkasse Bank Holding Company has been present on the BiH market for ten years, with head office in Sarajevo, and as of 2007 it is a member of the Austrian group, Steiermärkische Sparkasse.

Until 2009 it operated as ABS BANKA, and then, aiming to integrate into the Sparkasse Group, it changed its name into **Sparkasse Bank dd.**

Our team is consisted of **430 employees** that serve **150,000** clients, offering all types of conventional and modern banking services, including S-Leasing financial services through a network of almost **50 affiliates** throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Our bank is almost one hundred percent owned by Steiermärkische Sparkasse as the largest regional bank the south of Austria, that has 300 affiliates throughout Southeast Europe, almost 4.500 employees and 1.5 million clients.

The Group has a long-term and sustainable investment strategy in the region which makes it a reliable partner and investor backing up Sparkasse Bank and BiH. Steiermärkische Sparkasse has so far invested around 150 million KM in Bosnia and Herzegovina and put at the disposal 275 million KM of liquid funds for credit placement.

As a member of Erste Bank and Sparkassen Austria, it is a part of the strongest group of banks focused on operations with the population, small and medium enterprises in Europe.

Sparkasse and **=** sign.

Over almost 200 years of its operation, our mother bank, Steiermärkische Sparkasse, has developed into a recognizable trademark Sparkasse with the red in that stands for:

- safety, trust and tradition, which make it a reliable partner for employees and clients;
- solid, crisis-proof business model of a strong and successful group;
- successful economic concept that maintains social responsibility principles.

Our directions

- To become one of the strongest banks in the country using business tools based on the best banking practices.
- Sparkasse Bank dd cares about the success of its clients:
 - Competently;
 - With custom made solutions;
 - With continuous improvement of offer;
 - In the long term.
- Long-term growth and development made possible by satisfied employees and clients.

Our guidelines

We take responsibility

We consider the success of our clients and employees, and contribution to the society, our responsibility.

Reliability creates friendships

We respect business ethics. Partnership with clients and employees is the key to their fidelity.

Cooperation with full trust

We communicate openly and frankly.

We always keep to our word.

Safety with guaranty

Protection of our clients and our employees for us is a must. We do it with all means available.

Custom made solutions

There are no universal solutions – every client has the right to an offer created according to their individual needs. That is why we devote our attention, time and commitment to each one of them.

Courage as a chance

Our team is guided by the principles of self-initiative, accepting new ideas and challenges, and ambition in the fulfillment of our objectives.



Statement of the Management



Sanel Kusturica
Director



Zahida Karić Executive Director



Gerhard Maier Executive Director



Nedim Alihodžić Executive Director

For Sparkasse Bank 2009 was the year when assumptions for long-term sustainable growth were set and further developed, and strategic change in its business was defined by introduction of the strategic partner.

Therefore operations in 2009 can be summarized only if seen from two standpoints – firstly, through implementation of projects, investments and changes in the market approach that follow growth objectives and fulfillment of the group quality standard; secondly, through financial indicators and growth rates in different segments of operations, that can certainly be seen through the prism of crisis in the financial and real sector.

If we were to give a summary of growth rates, in the year of recession and banking sector stagnation, 2009, Sparkasse Bank managed to grow in different segments of business. Credit portfolio grew by 26.9%, which is a trend rarely seen in the past year in the banking segment, and deposits by 29.7%. Assets value is app. 650 mil KM, which is a growth by 24.7%, which can be understood as a result of significant growth of credits, while the capital assets grew by app. 20.5%.

Strengthening the Bank's market position can be seen through the significant growth of the number of clients - over 30,000 new clients in 2009. Regional expansion, as one of assumptions for the increase of the market portion continued, certainly with some adjustments to macroeconomic conditions. Business network was enhanced by five new affiliates, the most important step forward being the introduction on the market of the Republika Srpska. Further on, a number of existing affiliates were moved or adapted in line with the construction and visual standards of the Group. In 2009 our team grew by almost 50 new colleagues.

And, in the end, purchase of the new building for the central office in Sarajevo was completed, as well as the integration into the group, through change of the name, which are considered to be very important steps approaching standards of the Group.

The year ahead of us will be marked by use and further development of all potentials for growth invested in this year, which will be another step ahead in achieving our five-year goal – to get to the top of the banking market in BiH.

This will be a success thanks to the exceptional cooperation with our investors, business partners and clients, and commitment of our team, that we have been able to count on so far, and for which we are sincerely grateful!

Sparkasse Bank Management

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Sanel Kusturica Gerhard Maier Zahida Karić Nedim Alihodžić

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Interview



Franz Kerber MBAChairman of the Supervisory Board and member of the Management of the mother bank, Steiermärkische Sparkasse

1. Steiermärkische Sparkasse has proven to its members in the South-East Europe to be a reliable partner and investor. Especially the countries of former Yugoslavia are seen as an extended domestic market. What is the role of international affairs in the corporate strategy of Steiermärkische Sparkasse?

Franz Kerber:

Global economic and financial crisis has left its trace in South East Europe as well and it will certainly present a challenge in the business year ahead of us. However, Steiermärkische Sparkasse still considers South East Europe a very important market, a market with a great development potential, where good investments are still certainly productive. Number of the population in this region speaks for itself. The population of the countries of former Yugoslavia is fifteen times the population of our Province of Styria, while, at the same time presence of modern banking products and services is relatively limited.

Members of Steiermärkische Sparkasse Group in this extended domestic market contribute considerably to the total financial result of the group as the largest regional bank of southern Austria. Employees of out subsidiaries and leasing houses already serve 1.6 million clients in the countries of former Yugoslavia, while the average growth rate in these countries is about 13%.

2. What is your view of the potential of the markets in the region, especially BiH, and what will the future international operations of Steiermärkische Sparkasse look like in the following years?

Franz Kerber:

As well as in 2009, in the following period we expect to have difficult conditions on the market, but we also hope to see some indicators of recovery and stabilization. In some countries, of course, macro-economic indicators will vary, but we generally expect that the economic growth will be preserved, with signals of new growth.

We are convinced that our members will successfully overcome these challenges thanks to the competitive advantage they have. What is certain is that Steiermärkische Sparkasse, as the mother bank, will continue giving support in every moment using all its strengths.

When we speak of BiH, macroeconomic recovery can be expected in 2011. October elections 2010 are currently in the center of political trends, so it is highly possible that certain reforms, necessary for the economic recovery of the country, will fall out of focus. This may endanger payout of some tranches of the stand-by arrangement, i.e. meeting IMF's conditions, which will eventually have negative influence on the liquidity in the country. Therefore, Steiermärkische Sparkasse has reserved a sufficient quantity of liquid funds for Sparkasse Bank and S-Leasing in Bosnia and Herzegovina, to ensure meeting planned growth rates, and incentive to the development of economy in BiH.

In the long run, we are convinced that the countries of former Yugoslavia will meet the conditions posed by Europe, and that they will firmly step on the path of the European integrations.

3. How do you see the development of Sparkasse Bank in Bosnia and Herzegovina after Steiermärkische Sparkasse took over the ownership in 2007?

Franz Kerber:

Since 2007, Sparkasse Bank has successfully implemented some very important steps on the way to the integration into the group. This certainly includes network and business process reorganization, introduction of the new IT system, change of name and logo into Sparkasse Bank, and setting up the new network of affiliates on the markets of Herzegovina and Republika Srpska. In this way the Bank created conditions to come to the top of the BiH banking market in the mid term perspective. The number of employees has increased by 30%, so Sparkasse Bank has over 420 employees at the moment. The number of clients also grew evidently, by 50%, so that there are almost 150.000 clients at the moment, to testify that Sparkasse trade mark is a synonym for trust, stability and security.

Another important step in the development of Sparkasse Bank is opening of its new central office in Sarajevo, planned for May 2010. Purchase of this new building is intended to improve the working conditions for our employees, easier access to our clients and improved presence on the market. Steiermärkische Sparkasse has so

far put at the disposal of Sparkasse Bank in BiH 200 milion EUR which is intended for investments and refinancing. Moreover, staff training investments also grew.

All these efforts and investments have the objective to help all members of the Erste Bank und Sparkassen Group have the same service quality. Sparkasse Bank is on the good way to achieve the standards of the Group.

4. Even in 2009, the year of economic crisis, Steier-märkische Sparkasse achieved respectable financial result. Conservative business model of postal savings bank has, thus, shown as a successful, crisis-proof concept. To what extent can this business model be applied to subsidiaries, to be precise, to Sparkasse Bank in BiH?

Franz Kerber:

It is true that clear and sustainable business model of the bank oriented to operations with population, and small and medium enterprises has proved successful. Maintaining balance between credits and deposits, and keeping up with the market in terms of population and SME's demands, especially during crisis, is a safe approach. This conservative strategy of financing credit operations from collected deposits does mean a slower growth, but it also minimizes risk and exposure to negative macroeconomic oscillations. Steiermärkische Sparkasse will continue following this strategy and focus on its basic activity with wide dispersion of risks, which certainly goes for the Sparkasse Bank as well. It is our goal to achieve a sustainable volume growth and become one of the most attractive service providers in BiH. This means provision of a sufficient quantity of credits funds for clients, in order to maintain their liquidity, top of the scale security for our clients' deposits, and, finally, professional risk management and client servicing. This way we are supposed to establish profitable business that will supply our clients with modern and attractive banking product on one, and provide attractive and safe jobs for our employees on the other side.



Management about the Year 2009

Sanel Kusturica, Director Pro-active sales for the new and dynamic force on the BiH market

Thanks to the capital and structural assistance of the owner and the capacities at our disposal, in 2009 we had the space and possibility to enter the market with exceptionally attractive products. In combination with pro-active, even hard-hitting approach of our sales staff, we can say that Sparkasse Bank has created a dynamic force on the BiH market. Effects of such sales approach are visible in the credit and deposit portfolio growth, as well as increase of the basis to almost 150,000 clients.

The goal is to be recognizable by this dynamism, followed by top service quality standards, and to be positioned as a bank of first choice for satisfied clients and employees.

It remains for us to, in the years that come, maintain this dynamism and flexibility in response to the needs of the market. This will certainly be done continuously, in order to establish and maintain positive business trends.

Zahida Karić, Executive Director Managing portfolio in the direction of a healthy development

The overflow of effects of the global financial crisis in BiH during the year 2009 reached its maximum. Therefore, the sustention of a quality loan portfolio became an outstanding skill.

The Bank made significant efforts in cooperation with the real sector in terms of client's financial position improvement, but also in terms of recognizing several signs of problems which helped to realize preventive activities so that a quality loan portfolio could be preserved.

Meanwhile, Management's and shareholder's expectations were not ignored, not even in difficult business circumstances. We insisted in the intention to create balance between the exposure of the Bank versus risks and goals of development, market position and the increase of income. These were additional challenges for the Bank, the employees and the Management.

Therefore, controlling became a very important function of the Bank. During this time, several projects were realized with the intention and the goal to increase the efficiency of processes, timely recognizing of trends, timely corrective measures realization and of course, a strict control of costs. The challenge was to efficiently supervise the movement of volume of loans and deposits, especially in segments that we are strategically focused at but also to supervise costs of organizational parts and products.

We didn't forget the segment of rationalization, where we accomplished to establish a balance between the centralized and decentralized approach that was implemented during the process of contracting with clients but also at the legal protection of the Bank by establishing placements of loans.

Our focus stays on providing security with guarantee, so that the protection of clients in segments of payments and lending business is still our imperative which we try to accomplish with all available tools of the Bank.

Nedim Alihodžić, Executive Director Investments into infrastructure and optimization of processes for top quality of services

Ambitious growth objectives defined by introduction of the owner in 2007 demanded that in the years that followed, Sparkasse Bank provides conditions for their fulfillment, which primarily meant intensive investments into infrastructure, information technologies and process optimization.

Investments were implemented through complex projects managed in the support department:

- Introduction of the new IT system, implemented and upgraded during 2009;
- Regional expansion project, with five new affiliates on the markets where we had not been present before;
- Visual unification of business units in line with the Group standards, where several affiliates have already been adapted, and by the end of 2011, the whole business network will be brought in line with the Group standards;
- Change of the name and logo of the Bank carried out in coordination of all support units, with full rebranding of the whole network, and new visual identity introduced tto the market through powerful marketing campaign;
- Purchase and furnishing of the new head office of the Bank, with the final move planned for 2010.

Marketing and communication function that we certainly consider to be an investment into the long term and positive positioning of the bank on the market, with a range of campaigns, made considerable contribution to the sales segment and better visibility of the name and positive image in 2009.

Gerhard Maier, Executive Director Internal control systems as management instrument

Internal control systems are a part of the support function that had to be improved in 2009 in order to keep up with all the changes in the organizational segment, to process optimization, etc.

Minimization of all risks through internal control systems was the aim of all efforts invested this whole year, in order to provide uninterrupted, safe and legitimate business processes. Projects, such as introduction of internal control cards, are the beginning of the construction of a flexible system necessary to follow up the innovations within the bank, that are more and more intense in adjusting to the standards practiced in the group.

Support functions played and important role in the reorganization processes, and change of name and logo, as one of the key factors in the development of the Bank in 2009. It is sure that the success of the change of name required coordination and efforts in legal and administrative segment, in presentation of the Bank under the new name to go without problems and in line with legal regulations.



Name changeover & rebranding





New organization of space in affiliates

Organization of new affiliates is unified and should contribute to better visibility of the Bank's corporate design. Open communication zones and special advisor's spots give a more productive and open communication among employees, and to clients they offer a more direct communication and a more discrete service. Open spaces with a lit of light create pleasant atmosphere both for our employees and clients.





Investments for a long-term sustainable growth



- Innovation in space organization and way of work Open space offices for better communications and pro-activity
- New building for the **positive image** of the Bank
- **Better working conditions** and better ambience in the head office should serve the ultimate goal better services for our clients
- Highest technological and safety standards



Nedim Alihodžić, member of the Management of Sparkasse Bank dd

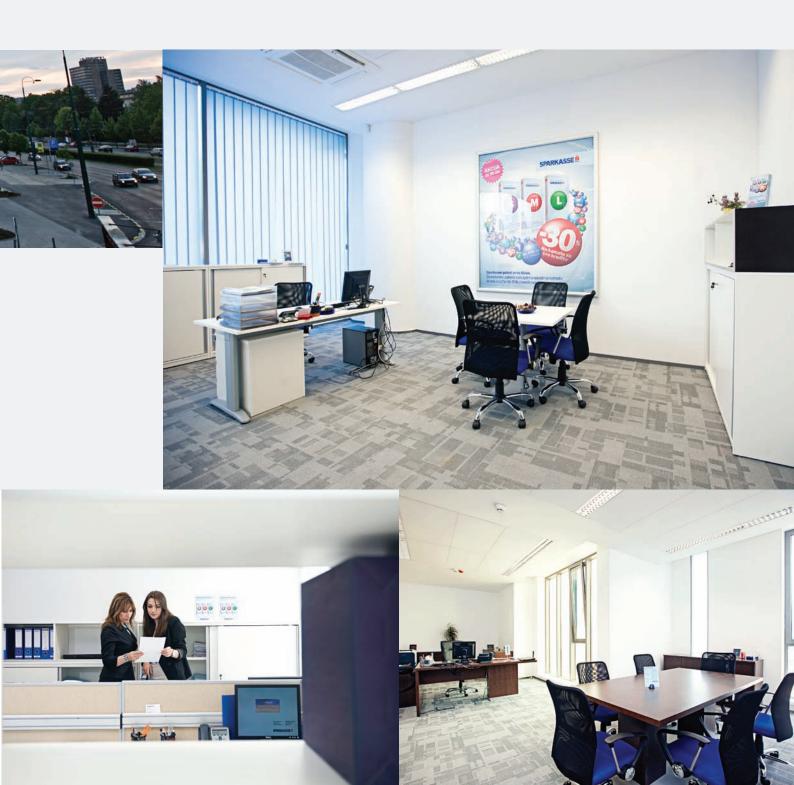
TOTAL INVESTMENT INTO THE NEW HEAD OFFICE BUILDING 25,5 million KM

The purchase contract was signed with the Klimavent SC and Teloptic Ltd. related to the business tower of the Importanne Center in Sarajevo. The total investment into the purchase and furnishing of the new head office building is 25,5 million KM.

The Bank has anticipated 40 million KM for investments in the period 2009-2010, largest part of which is the investment into the new head office building in Sarajevo.

We made the decision to purchase the business tower of the Importanne Center, where our employees will work in environment that is in line with the top standards, which will ultimately contribute to offering the top service to our clients. The business tower that has a total of 6,300 m² will consist of the Sparkasse Bank Head Office and our sister company, S-Leasing, while premises in the ground floor will allow access to our Sarajevo Affiliate for our clients.

Our investments are not only aimed at intensive, but primarily long-term sustainable growth. We feel that only a company with such a long-term visions and healthy, sustainable growth can provide reliable jobs and benefits to its employees, be a reliable partner to its clients and, ultimately, with its investments be a generator of the economic development in Bosnia and Herzegovina.





Our clients





Dejan and Damir Šaran Management



sme's Grafika Šaran Ltd.

Grafika Šaran Company has been present on the BiH market for 23 years, with its head office in Sarajevo. Tradition and experience of business in graphical and printing business in combination with the contemporary technologies made this company into one of the most successful medium-size companies in this industry.

The Company is owned and managed by a family, father Hidajet and sons Damir and Dejan Šaran, who pay special attention to this family feeling and ambience of togetherness among all 20 employees.

"What really matters is that the contracts we do are done with the best quality, at the total satisfaction of our clients, but also our employees.

We feel that satisfied employees, in combination with good organization and constant renewal of equipment and technology that follow the trends in business, are the key to success in any industry. As we do the creative part of the business for our clients too, we follow them through designer and photographer work, positive atmosphere and good energy are of great importance.

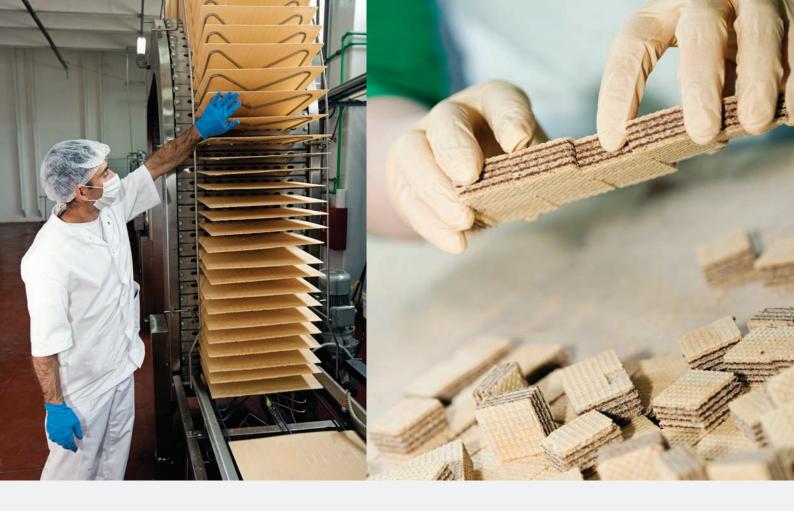
Of course, modern equipment is something that cannot be left out from the graphic part in order for the final product quality to be met, so we continuously invest into machinery and education of our staff that operate it.

In short – we certainly have the ambition to increase our market share and client basis. But only based on healthy growth, with top quality and satisfied clients and employees.", Damir and Dejan Šaran.

Activity

GRAFIKA ŠARAN offers complete graphic service in one place: photography, graphic design and DTP, offset print, digital print, large format print, finalization of graphic products.

"We have been working with Sparkasse Bank for a number of years and we have built an excellent partnership with them. The cooperation with the Bank has contributed to us being able to build our own facility of 1,200 m² that houses central office, printing house and studio. This new work space definitely is a hypothesis to offering better, faster and better quality service to our client", Damir Šaran.





Rusmir Hrvić
Deputy Director



Corporate clients AS Ltd. Jelah

AS Ltd. Company was established in 1995, with head office in Jelah/Tešanj, where management offices, biscuit production and head distribution center are placed.

Activity

Main activity of this company is wholesale and retail trade with consumer goods and its sales network covers Jelah, Cazin, Maglaj, Zavidovići, Sarajevo and Mostar. The Company's wholesale segment supplies over 2,000 buyers throughout the country and achieves continuous growth through average increase of annual turnover by 20%. Its activities were later enhanced to packing grains and powders, and production – the Company is today a leader in biscuit production in BiH.

The best known trade marks of the Company are biscuits and wafels "KENT" and "Master". "We today have a team of 320 employees, and our strategic determination is employment of young, highly educated staff. We feel that the human resources are a driving force that cannot be replaced by any kind of technical support. However, this does not mean that we do not realize that the continuous investments into the modern equipment, especially in the production segment, are crucial to success, which is demonstrated by our position on the market. Our brands are among the leaders on the market, with 25% of the total biscuit production is placed abroad.

Initial value of our investments into production is 7.000,000 KM, and they include purchase of the land plot, construction of the production and warehousing facility, and procurement of production equipment.

It is fundamental, especially in these pioneering projects, to have internal capacities to carry them out, but also to have good cooperation with business partners.

Sparkasse Bank is for us definitely the one of those business partners. Although we have had a successful cooperation ever since 1999, in the investments that we started, financing by our business bank was of great importance. Therefore, partnership that we have with Sparkasse Bank is a link that is just getting stronger", Deputy Director, Rusmir Hrvić.





Željko Vidaković Director



Corporate clients Centrum Ltd. Banja Luka

Centrum Trade, Ltd. Banja Luka is a trade company active since 1998, with about 200 employees.

Activities

Basic activity of the Centrum is wholesale and retail. In the broad specter of commodities, app. 30,000 goods are chemical products, final materials for construction, machinery and tools, ceramics, water fixtures, bolts and screws, paints, façades, cast iron fence materials, cutting and sanding boards, electric fittings, lamps, household appliances, hi-fi audio and video appliances, etc.

It contains 6 shopping centers, in Banja Luka, Zalužani, Laktaši, Gradiška and Kozarska Dubica. "We are a company on the rise. We are currently working on developing our capacities in order to take an even more important position on the market and increase our market share.

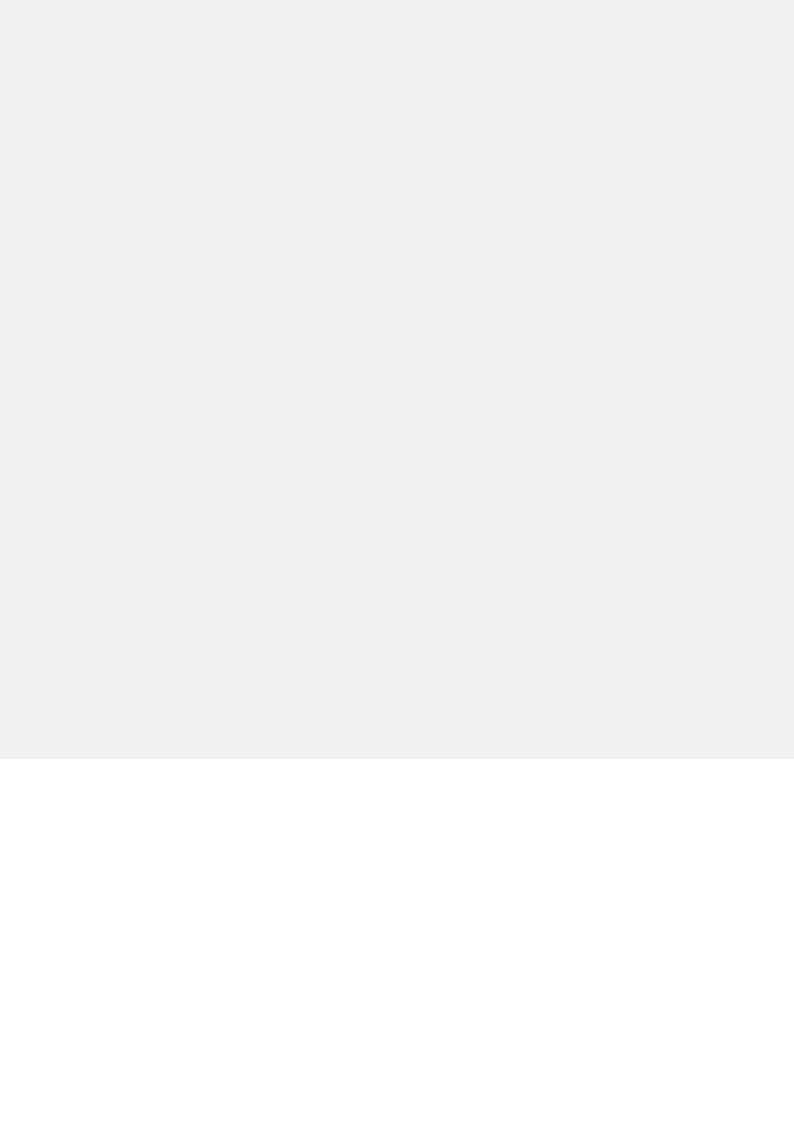
It is our vision to be positioned as a top provider in the construction materials and household appliances in the country, and that goal is very close. Our primary goal is to provide a wide range of products that can meet all the needs of our buyers related to home improvements in one space. Of course, the quality of brands and professional service by our employees is what we want to make our recognizable feature.

As well as in any other branch, investments are an assumption for a continuous growth. One of the key success factors in the segment of trade companies is broad coverage of the market through shopping network, which implies considerable investments. Therefore, opening markets, what we have already been doing, and even stronger presence on the market that we aim for, requires having strong partners among banks, partners that may meet out needs up to the optimum. When we entered the market last year, we recognized Sparkasse Bank as one of those – a bank with stability and capital strength to become one of our partners", Director, Željko Vidaković.

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Report of the Management Board

The Management Board has pleasure in submitting its report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009.

Review of operations

The result for the year ended 31 December 2009 of the Bank is set out in the income statement on page 37.

Supervisory Board and Management Board

During the course of 2009 and up to the date of this report, the Supervisory Board comprised:

Supervisory Board

Franz Kerber President
Hamdija Alagić Member
Georg Bucher Member
Kristijan Schellander Member
Renate Ferlitz Member

As of 31 December 2009 the Management Board comprised 3 executive directors. The persons who served as executive directors during the year and up to the date of this report are as follows:

Management Board

Gerhard Maier Executive Director (from 01 September 2009)

Director (from 01 March 2009 till 01 Sept. 2009)

Acting Director (from 01 Sept 2008 till 01 Mar 2009)

Nedim Alihodžić Executive Director (from 01 March 2009)

Zahida Karić Executive Director

Sanel Kusturica Director (from 01 Sept 2009)

Executive Director (from 08 June till 01 Sept. 2009)

On behalf of the Management Board

Sanel Kusturica

Director

Responsibilities of the Management and Supervisory Board for the preparation and approval of the annual financial statements

The Management Board is required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Bank and of the results of its operations and cash flows, in accordance with statutory requirements for banks in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records to enable the preparation of such financial statements at any time. It has a general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably available to it to safeguard the assets of the Bank and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The Management Board is responsible for selecting suitable accounting policies to conform with applicable accounting standards and then apply them consistently; making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Bank will continue in business.

The Management Board is responsible for the submission to the Supervisory Board of its annual report on the Bank together with the annual financial statements, following which the Supervisory Board is required to approve the annual financial statements for submission to the General Assembly of Shareholders for adoption.

The financial statements set out on pages 37 to 73 were authorised by the Management Board on 8 March 2010 for issue to the Supervisory Board and are signed below to signify this.

Signed on behalf of the Management Board

Sanel Kusturica Director

Sparkasse Bank d.d. Trampina 12/6 71000 Sarajevo Bosnia and Herzegovina

March 8, 2010

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Zahida Karić Executive Director

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Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of Sparkasse Bank d.d.



We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Sparkasse Bank d.d. ("the Bank"), which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2009 and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

The financial statements as of and for the year ended 31 December 2008 were audited by another auditor whose report dated 19 February 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the accounting regulations of the Banking Agency of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditors' Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Bank as at 31 December 2009, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting regulations of the Banking Agency of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

KPMG B-H d.o.o. za reviziju

Registered auditors Fra Anđela Zvizdovića 1 71000 Sarajevo Bosnia and Herzegovina

8 March 2010

Income statement for the year ended 31 December 2009 (all amounts are expressed in thousands of KM, unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2009.	2008.
Interest and similar income	6	33.246	27.244
Interest expense and similar charges	7	(12.507)	(11.651)
Net interest income		20.739	15.593
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Fee and commission income	8	10.241	7.897
Fee and commission expense	9	(1.521)	(913)
Net fee and commission income		8.720	6.984
Net foreign exchange gains	10	1.280	927
Other operating income		397	222
INCOME FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		31.136	23.726
Personnel expenses	11	(12.661)	(11.746)
Depreciation expenses	24,25	(1.802)	(1.074)
Other administrative expenses	12	(10.434)	(8.463)
Operating expenses	_	(24.897)	(21.283)
PROFIT BEFORE IMPAIRMENT LOSSES, PROVISIONS AND INCOME TAX		6.239	2.443
Impairment losses	13	(16.292)	(7.142)
Other provisions	14	655	(2.174)
Recoveries	15	2.916	963
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LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAX		(6.482)	(5.910)
Income tax expense	16	-	-
LOSS FOR THE YEAR		(6.482)	(5.910)
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Loss per share	17	(0.0101)	(0.0191)

The accounting policies and other notes on pages 40 to 73 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet as at 31 December 2009

(all amounts are expressed in thousands of KM, unless otherwise stated)

	Notes	2009.	2008.
ASSETS			
Cash reserves	18	44.765	40.804
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	19	39.703	51.177
Placements with and loans and advances to other banks	20	135.826	84.629
Loans and advances to customers	21	420.250	336.518
Financial assets available for sale	22	254	160
Other assets	23	1.289	2.124
Property and equipment	24	10.896	8.646
Intangible assets	25	2.622	2.222
TOTAL ASSETS		655.605	526.280
LIABILITIES			
Current accounts and deposits from banks	26	169.601	29.466
Current accounts and deposits from customers	27	285.476	211.514
Borrowings	28	115.145	212.892
Provisions	29	2.820	3.551
Other liabilities	31	2.965	2.777
Total liabilities	_	576.007	460.200
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Share capital	32	76.473	56.473
Share premium		8.372	8.372
Statutory reserves		1.235	7.145
Accumulated losses		(6.482)	(5.910)
Total shareholders' equity		79.598	66.080
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		655.605	526.280

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Cash flow Statement for the year ended 31 December 2009

(all amounts are expressed in thousands of KM, unless otherwise stated)

Notes	2009.	2008.
OPERATING ACTIVITES		
Loss before tax	(6.482)	(5.910)
Adjustments:		
Depreciation and amortization	1.802	1.074
Impairment losses	16.292	7.142
Provisions for employee benefits	(29)	48
Other provisions	(655)	2.174
Write-off of provision for contingent liabilities	-	(260)
Write-off of property and equipment	79	15
Cash flows from operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities	11.007	4.283
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets		
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	11.474	(17.861)
Placements with and loans and advances to other banks	(51.236)	(52.227)
Loans and advances to customers	(99.735)	(137.088)
Other assets	585	1.675
Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities		
Deposits from banks	140.135	17.902
Deposits from customers	73.962	(16.157)
Provisions	(47)	31
Other liabilities	188	257
NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	86.333	(199.185)
Investing activities		
Purchase of financial assets available for sale	(94)	-
Purchase of property and equipment	(3.616)	(1.746)
Purchase of intangible assets	(915)	(2,114)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets	-	65
NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(4.625)	(3.795)
Financing activities		
(Repayment)/proceeds from borrowings	(97.747)	160.730
Issued share capital	20.000	30.000
NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(77.747)	190.730
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	3.961	(12.250)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 1 JANUARY 18	40.804	53.054
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER 18	44.765	40.804

The accounting policies and other notes on pages 40 to 73 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2009

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	Share capital	Share premium	Statutory reserves	(Accumulated losses)/ retained earnings	Total
Balance as of 1 January 2008	26.473	8.372	5.608	1.537	41.990
Allocation of net profit for 2007	-	-	1.537	(1.537)	-
Closed share issue	30.000	-	-	-	30.000
Loss for 2008	-	-	-	(5.910)	(5.910)
Balance as of 31 December 2008	56.473	8.372	7.145	(5.910)	66.080
Allocation of net loss for 2008	-	-	(5.910)	5.910	-
Closed share issue	20.000	-	-	-	20,000
Loss for 2009	-	-	-	(6.482)	(6.482)
Balance as of 31 December 2009	76.473	8.372	1.235	(6.482)	79.598

The accounting policies and other notes on pages 40 to 73 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009

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1. REPORTING ENTITY

SPARKASSE Bank d.d. (the 'Bank') is registered at the relevant court in Sarajevo, registration No. U/I-1291/99 on 9 July 1999. The Bank was issued a banking licence by the Banking Agency of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina on 28 July 1999, registration No. 01-376/99. The Bank's registered address is in Sarajevo, Trampina 12/6.

Principal activities

The Bank offers banking services through a developed network of branches in Bosnia and Herzegovina, including:

- Receiving and placing of term and demand deposits
- Making and purchasing of loans
- Buying and selling foreign currencies
- Cash transactions in the interbank market
- Cash payment and transfer, both national and abroad
- Debit/credit card operations

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2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Statement of compliance

As required by local legislation, the Bank prepares financial statements in accordance with the accounting regulations of the Banking Agency of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Bank's operations are subject to the Law on Accounting and Auditing of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Banking Law and other relevant banking regulations in accordance with which the Bank's financial reporting is regulated by the Banking Agency of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("the Agency") which is the central monitoring institution of the banking system in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("FBiH").

Although based on International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") the statutory reporting requirements in accordance with which these financial statements have been prepared differ in a number of important aspects from IFRS. Accordingly these financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with statutory reporting requirements in FBiH are nor equivalent to, and do not purport to be financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS.

The principal accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements are summarised below. Where specific accounting policies are aligned with accounting principles set out in IFRS, reference may be made to certain Standards in describing the accounting policies of the Bank; unless otherwise stated, these references are to Standards applicable at 31 December 2009.

In addition to significant differences in respect of the required disclosures and presentation, the principal recognition and measurement differences between IFRS and the accounting regulations of the Agency are as follows:

- The Bank's management estimates specific allowances for the impairment of financial instruments, in particular regarding loans and receivables, in accordance with the Agency's regulations. Such a policy may result in significant departures from the amounts which would be determined, if the allowances for the impairment of loans and receivables were estimated based on discounted expected future cash flows by using the original effective interest rate, as is required under IAS 39, "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement" ("IAS 39").
- The Agency requires banks to recognise impairment losses, in income, on assets not specifically identified as impaired at the prescribed rate of 2%. The Bank has made portfolio-based provisions of BAM 9,182 thousand (2008: BAM 7,943 thousand) carried in the balance sheet in compliance with these regulations and has recognised a charge of BAM 1,239 thousand in relation to these provisions within the charge for impairment losses for the year (2008: charge of BAM 2,804 thousand). Such a policy may result in a significant departure from an IFRS-based methodology for measuring collective impairment which should ensure that only losses "incurred but not reported" ("IBNR") should be recognised. IBNR represents the situation where the losses have been incurred but it is not yet evident which individual financial assets are impaired, and is calculated by applying an estimated loss rate for an estimated emergence period to the balance of unimpaired loans.
- Suspended interest represents the accrued, but uncollected interest payments on assets which are classified as impaired assets. Upon the classification of risk-bearing assets as impaired assets, the Bank writes down the full amount of the accrued but unpaid interest. The Bank ceases to accrue further unpaid interest amounts on the impaired assets in its accounting records, and the accruals of the interest amounts due are booked on its off-balance sheet records, up to the moment in which the principal is fully collected. The only exception to this practice may occur in an instance in which the impaired assets have been secured by first-class or quality collateral, and are currently in the process of being collected. Such policy is not in accordance with IAS 18 "Revenue" ("IAS 18") and IAS 39 which require revenue from interest on impaired loans to be recognized using the effective interest method.

The Bank's financial statements were authorized for issue by the Management Board on 19 February 2010.

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2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION (CONTINUED)

Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Bosnian Convertible Marks ("KM"), which is the functional currency. Amounts are rounded to the nearest thousand (unless otherwise stated).

The Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("CBBH") implemented a currency board arrangement aligning BAM to EURO at an exchange rate of EUR 1: BAM 1.95583 throughout 2009 and 2008. This is expected to continue in the foreseeable future.

Basis of measurement

The financial statements are prepared under historical cost convention except for loans, receivables and borrowings which are presented at amortised cost.

Use of estimate and judgments

In preparing the financial statements, management has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of commitments and contingencies at the balance sheet date, as well as amounts of income and expense for the period. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances and information available at the date of the preparation of the financial statements, the result of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underling assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Judgements made by management in the application of applicable standards that have significant effects on the financial statements and estimates with a significant risk of material adjustment in the next year are discussed in Note 5.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Foreign currency transactions

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the income statement. Non-monetary assets and items that are measured in terms of historical cost in foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and are not retranslated at the balance sheet date.

31 December 2009	EUR 1= KM 1.95583	USD 1= KM 1.364088
31 December 2008	EUR 1= KM 1.95583	USD 1= KM 1.387310

Interest income and expense

Interest income and expense are recognised in the income statement as they accrue, taking into account the effective yield of the asset or liability or an applicable floating rate. Interest income and expense include the amortisation of any discount or premium or other differences between the initial carrying amount of an interest bearing instrument and its amount at maturity calculated on an effective interest rate basis. Origination fees are included in the calculation of effective interest.

Fee and commission income and expense

Commission and fee income comprises mainly fees receivable from customers for guarantees, letters of credit, domestic and foreign payments, card business and other services provided by the Bank, where the fee is credited to income when the related service is performed.

Dividend income

Dividend income from equity securities is recognised in the income statement when the rights to receive the dividend are established.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Lease payments

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Income tax

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax. The tax expense is based on taxable income for the year. Taxable income differs from net income as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Bank's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax basis used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognized for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilized.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered. Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset realized. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Bank has the ability and intention to settle on a net basis.

Financial instruments

Classification

The Bank classifies its financial instruments in the following categories: loans and receivables, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, available-for-sale financial assets, held to maturity investments and other financial liabilities. The classification depends on the purpose for which the financial assets and liabilities were acquired. The management determines the classification of financial assets and liabilities upon initial recognition and re-evaluates this classification at every balance sheet date. At the balance sheet date the Bank did not have held-to-maturity investments or financial assets at fair value through profit and loss.

1) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Loans and receivables arise when the Bank provides money to a debtor with no intention of trading with the receivable and include placements with and loans and advances to other banks, loans and advances to customers and balances with the central bank.

2) Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities comprise all financial liabilities.

Recognition

Loans and receivables and other financial liabilities are recognised when advanced to borrowers or received from lenders.

Initial and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are measured initially at the fair value for the consideration given.

Loans and receivables and other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Derecognition

The Bank derecognises financial assets (in full or part) when the contractual rights to receive cash flows from the financial instrument have expired or when it loses control over the contractual rights on those financial assets. This occurs when the Bank transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another business entity or when the rights are realised, surrendered or have expired.

The Bank derecognises financial liabilities only when the financial liability ceases to exist, ie when it is discharged, cancelled or has expired. If the terms of a financial liability change, the Bank will cease recognising that liability and will instantaneously recognise a new financial liability, with new terms and conditions.

Impairment of financial assets

1) Loans and receivables

The Bank is obliged to review financial assets at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is objective evidence of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

Loans and advances are presented net of impairment provisions for uncollectability. Specific impairment provisions are made against the carrying amount of loans and advances that are identified as being impaired based on regular reviews of outstanding balances.

Impaired financial assets are graded into categories according to their deemed recoverability, which is based on the level of overdue receivables, on an assessment of the borrower's financial position, and on the quality of any collateral secured. Provisions are then determined by applying provisioning rates, within the range prescribed by the Agency, to the principal amount outstanding.

The Bank calculates collective impairment provision for performing assets at a prescribed rate of 2%.

An increase in impairment provisions is recognised in the income statement.

When a loan is known to be uncollectible, all the necessary legal procedures have been completed, and the final loss has been determined, the loan is written off directly. If in a subsequent period the amount of impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be linked objectively to an event occurring after the write down, the write-down or provision is reversed through the income statement.

The Bank's management enacts a decision with reference to the write-off of receivables in accordance with court decisions, based on a mutual agreement between parties concerned or as decided by the Supervisory Board.

2) Financial assets carried at cost

These include equity securities for which there is no reliable fair value. The Bank assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired.

An impairment loss is calculated as the difference between the carrying amount of the financial asset and the present value of expected future cash receipts discounted by the current market interest rate for similar financial assets. Impairment losses on such instruments, recognised in the income statement, are not subsequently reversed through the income statement.

Specific financial instruments

1) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances on hand, cash deposited with the central bank, current accounts with other banks and items in the course of collection.

2) Placements with, and loans and advances to banks and other financial institutions

Loans and advances to banks are classified as loans and receivables and are carried at amortised cost less impairment losses.

3) Loans and advances to customers

Loans and advances to customers are presented at amortised cost net of impairment allowances to reflect the estimated recoverable amounts.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Specific financial instruments (continued)

4) Equity securities

Equity securities are stated at cost less impairment.

5) Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, interest bearing borrowings are stated at amortised cost with any difference between proceeds (net of transaction costs) and redemption value being recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings on an effective interest basis.

6) Current accounts and deposits from banks and customers

Current accounts and deposits are classified as other liabilities and initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, and subsequently stated at their amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Cost includes the purchase price and directly associated cost of bringing the asset to a working condition for its intended use. Maintenance and repairs, replacements and improvements of minor importance are expensed as incurred. Significant improvements and replacement of assets are capitalized. Gains or losses on the retirement or disposal of property and equipment are included in the statement of income in the period in which they occur.

Properties in the course of construction are carried at cost, less impairment loss, if any. Depreciation commences when the assets are ready for their intended use. Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the applicable assets.

Estimated depreciation rates were as follows:

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Buildings	1,3% - 3%	1,3% - 3%
Computers	33,3%	33,3%
Vehicles	20%	20%
Furniture and other office equipment	15%-20%	15% - 20%

Impairment

At each balance sheet date, the Bank reviews the carrying amounts of its property, plant and equipment to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

Recoverable amount is the greater of net selling price and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized as an expense immediately, unless the relevant asset is land or buildings other than investment property carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized as income immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired by the Bank are stated at historical cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. Expenditure on development activities is capitalised if all of the features required by IAS 38 are satisfied.

Depreciation is provided on all intangible assets except assets in the course of construction on a straight line basis at prescribed rates designed to write off the cost over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The following estimated useful lives are used:

Software - 5 years

Depreciation method and useful lives are reassessed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

Employee benefits

Short term benefits

The Bank pays pension and health insurance on behalf of its employees, which is calculated on the gross salary paid, as well as taxes on salaries, which are calculated on the net salary paid. The Bank pays the above contributions into the state pension and health fund, according to statutory rates during the course of the year. In addition, meal allowances, transport allowances and vacation bonuses are paid in accordance with local legislation. These expenses are recorded in the income statement in the period in which the salary expense is incurred.

Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised as an expense in the income statement as incurred.

Long-term benefits: retirement severance payments and early retirement bonuses

The Bank pays to its employees retirement severance benefits upon retirement in an amount representing three times the average salary in the FBiH as calculated by the Federal Bureau of Statistics or three times the salary of the employee in question (depending of what is more favourable to the employee).

The obligation and costs of these benefits are determined by using a projected unit credit method. The projected unit credit method considers each period of service as giving rise to an additional unit of benefit entitlement and measures each unit separately to build up the final obligation. The obligation is measured at the present value of estimated future cash flows using a discount rate that is similar to the estimated interest rate on government bonds.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Bank has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made, or as required by law in the case of provisions for unidentified impairment of off-balance-sheet credit risk exposures.

Provisions for liabilities and charges are maintained at the level that the Bank's management considers sufficient for absorption of incurred losses. The management determines the sufficiency of provisions on the basis of insight into specific items, current economic circumstances, risk characteristics of certain transaction categories, as well as other relevant factors.

Provisions are released only for such expenditure in respect of which provisions are recognised at inception. If the outflow of economic benefits to settle the obligations is no longer probable, the provision is reversed.

Share capital

Share capital

Share capital comprises ordinary shares and is stated in KM at nominal value. Any profit for the year after appropriations is transferred to reserves.

Dividends

Dividends on ordinary shares are recognised as a liability in the period in which they are approved by the Bank's shareholders.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Statutory reserve

A statutory reserve has been created in accordance with company law of FBiH, which requires 10% of the profit for the year to be transferred to this reserve until statutory reserves reach 25% of issued share capital. If the statutory reserves do not reach 25% of issued share capital within 5 business years, a public limited company is required to increase its transfer to this reserve to 20% of its profit for the year at the end of the fifth and any following business year until capital reserves reach 25% of issued share capital. The legal reserve can be used for covering current and prior year losses.

Off-balance sheet commitments and contingent liabilities

In the ordinary course of business, the Bank enters into credit-related commitments which are recorded in off-balance-sheet accounts and primarily comprise guarantees, letters of credit and undrawn loan commitments. Such financial commitments are recorded in the Bank's balance sheet if and when they become payable..

Managed funds for and on behalf of third parties

The Bank manages funds for and on behalf of corporate and retail clients. These amounts do not represent the Bank's assets and are excluded from the balance sheet. For the services rendered the Bank charges a fee.

Reclassification

Certain amounts in the previous year financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Bank's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk. Market risk includes currency risk, interest rate and other price risk.

The Bank has established an integrated system of risk management by introducing a set of policies and procedures for analysis, evaluation, acceptance and risk management. Taking risk is core to the financial business, and the operational risks are an inevitable consequence of being in business.

The Management Board has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Bank's risk management framework.

Risk management is carried out by the Bank's departments in charge for individual risks under policies approved by the Management Board.

Risk-steering and risk-controlling processes are adjusted in a timely manner to reflect changes in the operating environment.

Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Bank. The Bank has adopted a policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties and obtaining sufficient collateral, where appropriate, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from defaults.

The Bank's exposure and the credit ratings of its counterparties are continuously monitored and the aggregate value of transactions concluded is spread amongst approved counterparties. Credit exposure is controlled by counterparty limits that are reviewed and approved by the risk management committee annually. Exposures to credit risk is also managed in part by obtaining collateral and corporate and personal guarantees.

The Bank does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty or any group of counterparties having similar characteristics. The Bank defines counterparties as having similar characteristics if they are related entities.

Risk-steering and risk-controlling processes are adjusted in a timely manner to reflect changes in the operating environment.

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (continued)

Collateral

With a view to minimising credit risk, the Bank has a rulebook for security of loans and other placements and secures its credit exposures by taking one or more of the following instruments:

- cash,
- guarantors (retail and corporate),
- · mortgages over properties,
- mortgage over movables,
- · other rights over receivables.

The fair value of real estate and other assets charged as collateral is estimated by independent, external surveyor.

Credit risk management and impairment and provision policies

The Bank accounts for counterparty risks arising from the loan portfolio by making allowances for impaired loans. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a "loss event") and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated. The Bank assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired.

In accordance with the "Decision regulating minimum standards for credit risk management and bank assets classifications" ("the Decision") of the Agency, loans and advances and risk-bearing off- balance-sheet items are classified into the following categories with the following rates of impairment:

Overdue days	Bank's rating	Provisioning rates prescribed by the Agency
0 - 30	Α	2%
31 - 90	В	5% - 15%
91 - 180	С	16% - 40%
181 - 270	D	41% - 60%
271 - and more	E	100%

The classification of loan and receivables and risk-bearing off-balance-sheet items is made in accordance with the Decision. Besides the level of overdue receivables, the assessment of impairment normally encompasses collateral held (including re-confirmation of its enforceability) and the anticipated receipts for that individual account. "A" category loans and receivables are treated as assets not specifically identified as impaired (performing assets), while other categories are treated as individually impaired (non-performing assets).

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (continued)

The table below shows the gross amount of assets subjects to credit risk treated as performing and non performing, together with the related amount of impairment provision.

	Performing assets - gross	Impairment provision	Non performing asset - gross	Impairment provision	Total gross	Total impairment
31 December 2009						
Cash reserves	26.827	-	-	-	26.827	-
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	39.703	-	-	-	39.703	-
Placements with and loans and advances with other banks	135.865	39	-	-	135.865	39
Loans and advances to customers	387.683	7.712	48.670	8.391	436.353	16.103
Financial assets available for sale	259	5	-	-	259	5
Other assets	570	11	716	72	1.286	83
TOTAL	590.907	7.767	49.386	8.463	640.293	16.230
31 December 2008						
Cash reserves	29.139	-	-	-	29.139	-
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	51.177	-	-	-	51.177	-
Placements with and loans and advances with other banks	84.629	-	-	-	84.629	-
Loans and advances to customers	320.067	3.524	26.365	6.390	346.432	9.914
Financial assets available for sale	163	3	-	-	163	3
Other assets	1.002	20	-	-	1.002	20
TOTAL	486.177	3.547	26.365	6.390	512.542	9.937

Maximum exposure to credit risk before collateral held or other credit enhancement

	Maximum exposure	
	2009.	2008.
Balance-sheet items		
Cash reserves	26.827	29.139
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	39.703	51.177
Placements with and loans and advances with other banks	135.826	84.629
Loans and advances to retail customers	135.286	100.189
Loans and advances to corporate customers	284.964	236.329
Financial assets available for sale	254	160
Other assets	1.203	982
	624.063	502.605
Off-balance-sheet items		
Loan commitments	33.805	33.769
Financial guarantees and letter of credits	32.044	36.762
Total	689.912	573.136

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (continued)

For on-balance-sheet assets, the exposures set out above are based on net carrying amounts as reported at the balance sheet date.

The above table represents a worst case scenario of credit risk exposure to the Bank at 31 December 2009 and 31 December 2008, without taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements.

The Bank holds collateral against loans and advances to customers in the form of mortgage interest over property, other security over assets and guarantees. Estimates of collateral value are based on the value assessed by chartered court surveyors at the time of borrowing which is then reduced by a fixed percentage depending on the type of collateral (40-50% for residential properties, 33-50% for business premises and 25-40% for equipment). Estimated value of collateral is generally not updated.

Concentration of risk of loans and advances to customers

The Bank monitors concentrations of credit risk by economic sector and by geographic location. The economic sector risk concentration by gross value of on balance sheet exposure is as follows:

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Individuals	139.023	102.013
Trade	107.004	93.232
Mining and industry	3.753	4.812
Finance	6.650	12.399
Construction	25.088	16.592
Transport and communications	11.568	10.778
Hospitality and tourism	2.218	969
Agriculture and forestry	1.606	928
Real estate trade	4.191	987
Energetic	427	759
Other	134.825	102.963
Total	436.353	346.432

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (continued)

Geographic risk concentrations of credit risk exposures mainly relate to the region of the Bosnia and Herzegovina. The geographic risk concentration by gross value of on-balance-sheet exposure is as follows:

	Bosnia and Herzegovina	OECD countries	Non-OECD countries	Total
Cash reserves	26.793	-	34	26.827
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	39.703	-	-	39.703
Placements with and loans and advances with other banks	1.957	108.443	25.465	135.865
Loans and advances to retail customers	139.023	-	-	139.023
Loans and advances to corporate customers	297.330	-	-	297.330
Financial investments available for sale	235	24	-	259
Other assets	1.286	-	-	1.286
As at 31 December 2009	506.327	108.467	25.499	640.293
As at 31 December 2008	423.023	52.343	37.176	512.542

The structure of the loan portfolio is regularly reviewed within the Risk Department and Credit Risk Committee in order to identify potential events which could have an impact on large areas of the loan portfolio (common risk factors) and if necessary limit the exposure toward certain sectors of the economy.

Market risk

The Bank takes on exposure to market risks, which is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risks arise from open positions in interest rate, foreign currency and equity products, all of which are exposed to general and specific market movements and changes in the level of volatility of market rates or prices such as interest rates, credit spreads, foreign exchange rates and equity prices.

The Management Board sets limits and guidelines for monitoring and mitigating market risks, which is regularly monitored by risk committees of the Bank.

Foreign exchange risk

Exposure to currency risk arises from credit, deposit-taking and trading activities and is controlled on a daily basis in accordance with legal and internal limits for each currency, as well as in total amounts for assets and liabilities denominated in or linked to foreign currencies.

Treasury department is responsible for daily management of the Bank's currency position in accordance with legal and internal regulations.

In order to manage foreign exchange rate risk more efficiently, the Bank monitors economic and other business changes in the environment in order to predict possible changes in foreign currency activities, exchange rates, currencies and risk.

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

The table below summarizes the Bank's exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk at 31 December 2009.

Concentrations of currency risk of assets and liabilities

The Bank had the following significant currency positions:

As of 31 December 2009	км	EUR	USD	Other currencies	Total
Assets					
Cash reserves	33.831	8.834	334	1.766	44.765
Obligatory reserves with the central bank	39.703	-	-	-	39.703
Placements with and loans and advances to other banks	-	134.298	1.528	-	135.826
Loans and advances to customers	92.101	328.149	-	-	420.250
Financial assets available for sale	230	24	-	-	254
Other assets	1.154	134	-	1	1.289
Property and equipment	10.896	-	-	-	10.896
Intangible assets	2.622	-	-	-	2.622
Total assets	180.537	471.439	1.862	1.767	655.605
Liabilities and equity					
Current accounts and deposits from banks	1.025	168.576	-	-	169.601
Current accounts and deposits from customers	150.460	131.710	1.876	1.430	285.476
Borrowings	694	114.451			115.145
Provisions	2.820	-	-	-	2.820
Other liabilities	2.965	-	-	-	2.965
Share capital and reserves	79.598	-	-	-	79.598
Total liabilities and equity	237.562	414.737	1.876	1.430	655.605
Net foreign currency position	(57.025)	56.702	(14)	337	-

The local currency (KM) is pegged to EUR under a currency board arrangement.

A 10% fall in currencies (other than EUR) against KM, with other variables held constant, would result with a decrease of the result of the year by KM 32 thousand (2008: KM 38 thousand).

A 10% rise in such currencies would result with an increase of the result of the year by KM 32 thousand (2008: KM 38 thousand).

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

As of 31 December 2008	км	EUR	USD	Other currencies	Total
Assets					
Cash reserves	31.561	5.639	1.618	1.986	40.804
Obligatory reserves with the central bank	51.177	-	-	-	51.177
Placements with and loans and advances to other banks	-	84.629	-	-	84.629
Loans and advances to customers	102.683	233.835	-	-	336.518
Financial assets available for sale	136	24	-	-	160
Other assets	2.124	-	-	-	2.124
Property and equipment	8.646	-	-	-	8.646
Intangible assets	2.222	-	-	-	2.222
Total assets	198.549	324.127	1.618	1.986	526.280
Liabilities and equity					
Current accounts and deposits from banks	129	29.337	-	-	29.466
Current accounts and deposits from customers	106.851	101.448	1.583	1.632	211.514
Borrowings	1.377	211.515			212.892
Provisions	3.551	-	-	-	3.551
Other liabilities	2.777	-	-	-	2.777
Share capital and reserves	66.080		-	-	66.080
Total liabilities and equity	180.765	342.300	1.583	1.632	526.280
Net foreign currency position	17.784	(18.173)	35	354	-

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

Interest rate risk

The Bank's activities are affected by changes in interest rates in that interest-bearing assets and liabilities mature, or their interest rates are changes, at different times or in different amounts.

The majority of loans and receivables to companies and individuals and deposits from companies and individuals are initially contracted at an interest rate that allows the Bank to vary the interest rate at the Management Board's decision. These financial instruments are classified as instruments that bear variable interest rates. The Management Board changes these interest rates in response to changes in the prevailing market rates.

Interest sensitivity of assets and liabilities

The tables below summarize the Bank's exposure to interest rate risks at year end. Included in the table are the Bank's assets and liabilities at carrying amounts, categorized by the earlier of contractual repricing or maturity dates.

As at 31 December 2009	Non interest bearing	Up to 1 month	1 to 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 year	Over 5 years	Total	Amounts subject to fixed rates
Assets								
Cash reserves	17.938	26.827	-	-	-	-	44.765	-
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	-	39.703	-	-	-	-	39.703	39.703
Placements with and loans and advances with other banks	-	133.908	-	1.918	-	-	135.826	133.253
Loans and advances to customers	-	273.574	4.877	135.554	6.029	216	420.250	37.777
Financial assets available for sale	254	-		-	-	-	254	-
Other assets	1.289	-	-	-	-	-	1.289	-
Property and equipment	10.896	-	-	-	-	-	10.896	-
Intangible assets	2.622	-	-	-	-	-	2.622	-
Total financial assets	32.999	474.012	4.877	137.472	6.029	216	655.605	210.733
Liabilities								
Current accounts and deposits from banks	-	3.356	-	166.245	-	-	169.601	-
Current accounts and deposits from customers	11.886	144.696	7.594	50.778	69.754	768	285.476	141.919
Borrowings		109.526	52	5.266	301	-	115.145	-
Provisions	2.820	-	-	-	-	-	2.820	-
Other liabilities	2.965	-	-	-	-	-	2.965	-
Share capital and reserves	79.598						79.598	-
Total liabilities and equity	97.269	257.578	7.646	222.289	70.055	768	655.605	141.919
Interest rate gap	(64.270)	216.434	(2.769)	(84.817)	(64.026)	(552)	-	68.814

Based on the above interest rate sensitivity, at 31 December 2009, if interest rates had been 50 basis points higher/lower and all other variables were held constant, the Bank's profit for the year ended 31 December 2009 would increase/decrease by KM 243 thousand (2008: decrease/increase by KM 142 thousand). This is mainly attributable to the Bank's exposure to variable interest rates on borrowings.

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Market risk (continued)

As at 31 December 2008	Non interest bearing	Up to 1 month	1 to 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 year	Over 5 years	Total	Amounts subject to fixed rates
Financial assets								
Cash reserves	11.665	29.139	-	-	-	-	40.804	-
Obligatory reserve with the central bank		51.177	-	-		-	51.177	51.177
Placements and loans with other banks		84.629	-	-	-	-	84.629	84.492
Loans and advances to customers	-	158.924	13.550	145.206	17.621	1.217	336.518	104.868
Financial assets available for sale	160	-	-	-	-		160	-
Other assets	2.124	-	-	-	-	-	2.124	-
Property and equipment	8.646	-	-	-	-	-	8.646	
Intangible assets	2.222	-	-	-	-	-	2.222	
Total assets	24.817	323.869	13.550	145.206	17.621	1.217	526.280	240.537
Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current accounts and deposits from banks		259	29.207	-	-	-	29.466	-
Current accounts and deposits from customers	38.010	96.034	3.128	22.955	50.838	549	211.514	85.956
Borrowings		-	8.019	204.361	512	-	212.892	-
Provisions	3.551						3.551	-
Other liabilities	2.777	-	-	-	-	-	2.777	-
Share capital and reserves	66.080	-	-	-	-	-	66.080	-
Total liabilities	110.418	96.293	40.354	227.316	51.350	549	526.280	85.956
Interest rate gap	(85.601)	227.576	(26.804)	(82.110)	(33.729)	668	-	154.581

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises in the funding of the Bank's activites and in the management of its positions. The Bank consolidates its operations in respect of liquidity risk in accordance with applicable decrees and internal policies aimed at maintenance of liquidity reserves, and harmonization of assets and liabilities with targeted liquidity indicators and liquidity limits.

The Bank has access to various funding sources, including different types of deposits from citizens and legal entities, borrowings and share capital. This increases the flexibility of funding sources, decreases dependence on one source and generally ensures better management of financing cost.

The Bank strives to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of liabilities with a range of maturities. The Bank continually assesses liquidity risk by identifying and monitoring changes in funding required to meet business goals and targets. In addition, the Bank holds a portfolio of liquid assets as part of its liquidity risk management strategy.

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Liquidity risk (continued)

The following tables show the remaining contractual maturities of the Bank's assets and liabilities:

As at 31 December 2009	Up to 1 Month	1 to 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
Assets						
Cash reserves	44.765	-	-	-	-	44.765
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	39.703	-	-	-	-	39.703
Placements with, and loans and advances to, other banks	133.908	638	-	1.280	-	135.826
Loans and advances to customers	18.921	32.083	129.024	186.967	53.255	420.250
Financial assets available for sale	254	-	-	-	-	254
Other assets	1.289	-	-	-		1.289
Property and equipment	-	-	-	-	10.896	10.896
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	2.622	2.622
Total assets	238.840	32.721	129.024	188.247	66.773	655.605
Liabilities						
Current accounts and deposits from banks	3.356	-	-	-	166.245	169.601
Current accounts and deposits from customers	114.458	10.863	87.833	71.358	964	285.476
Borrowings	109.526	21	5.202	319	77	115.145
Provisions	401	445	628	1.346	-	2.820
Other liabilities	2.965	-	-	-	-	2.965
Share capital and reserves	-		-	-	79.598	79.598
Total financial liabilities	230.706	11.329	93.663	73.023	246.884	655.605
Maturity gap	8.134	21.392	35.361	115.224	(180.111)	-

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Liquidity risk (continued)

Na dan 31. decembra 2008.	Up to 1 Month	1 to 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
Assets						
Cash reserves	40.804	-		-	-	40.804
Obligatory reserve with the central bank	51.177	-		-	-	51.177
Placements with, and loans and advances to, other banks	84.629	-	-	-	-	84.629
Loans and advances to customers	15.400	26.508	109.499	137.849	47.262	336.518
Financial assets available for sale	160	-	-	-		160
Other assets	2.124	-		-	-	2.124
Property and equipment	-	-	-	-	8.646	8.646
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	2.222	2.222
Total financial assets	194.294	26.508	109.499	137.849	58.130	526.280
Financial liabilities						
Current accounts and deposits from banks	259	29.207	-	-	-	29.466
Current accounts and deposits from customers	108.328	9.887	53.932	38.968	399	211.514
Borrowings		-	57.901	84.014	70.977	212.892
Provisions	489	450	742	1.870	-	3.551
Other liabilities	2.777	-		-	-	2.777
Share capital and reserves	-	-	-	-	66.080	66.080
Total financial liabilities	111.853	39.544	112.575	124.852	137.456	526.280
Maturity gap	82.441	(13.036)	(3.076)	12.997	(79.326)	-

Maturity of off-balance sheet items

(a) Loan commitments

The maturity of the contractual amounts of the Bank's off-balance-sheet financial instruments that commit it to extend credit to customers and other facilities are summarized in the table below.

(b) Financial guarantees and letters of credits

Financial guarantees and letters of credits are also included in the table below based on the earliest contractual maturity date.

(c) Operating lease commitments

Where the Bank is the lessee, the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are summarized in the table below.

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Maturity of off-balance sheet items (continued)

	No later than 1 year	1-5 year	Over 5 years	Total
As at 31 December 2009				
Loan commitments	33.805	-	-	33.805
Financial guarantees and letter of credits	30.404	1.640	-	32.044
Operating lease commitments	198	582	-	780
Total	64.407	2.222	-	66.629
As at 31 December 2008				
Loan commitments	33.769	-	-	33.769
Financial guarantees and letter of credits	32.779	3.983	-	36.762
Operating lease commitments	85	637	-	722
Total	66.633	4.620	-	71.253

Fair value of financial instruments

The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's-length transaction. Where available, fair value is based on quoted market prices. However, no readily available market prices exist for a significant portion of the Bank's financial instruments. In circumstances where the quoted market prices are not readily available, the fair value is estimated using discounted cash flow models or other pricing techniques as appropriate. Changes in underlying assumptions, including discount rates and estimated future cash flows, significantly affect the estimates. Therefore, the calculated fair market estimates may not be realisable in a current sale of the financial instrument, in particular considering in view of the impact of the global financial crisis and lack of liquid market in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Cash and cash equivalents

The carrying values of cash and balances with banks are generally deemed to approximate their fair value.

Loans and advances to customers

As the Bank has a very limited portfolio of loans and advances with fixed rates and longer-term maturity, management considers that the fair value of loans and advances is not significantly different from their carrying value, prior to taking into account the effect of provisions at the rates specified by the Agency, and without taking into account expected future losses.

Customer deposits

For demand deposits and deposits with no defined maturities, fair value is taken to be the amount payable on demand at the balance sheet date. The estimated fair value of fixed-maturity deposits is based on discounted cash flows using rates currently offered for deposits of similar remaining maturities. The value of long-term relationship with depositors is not taken into account in estimating fair values. As the majority of Bank's portfolio has short term maturity the management considers that the fair value of customer deposits is not significantly different from their carrying value.

Borrowings and bank deposits

The fair value of variable yield borrowings that regularly reprice, with no significant change in credit risk, generally approximates their carrying value. The fair value of borrowings at fixed interest rates is estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, based upon interest rates currently offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality. Management considers that the fair value of borrowings at fixed interest rates is not significantly different from their carrying value.

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4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Capital risk management

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

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

Capital adequacy and the balance of capital are monitored regularly by the Assets and Liabilities Committee ("ALCO") and Bank's Management Board, based on the relevant internal acts and regulations prescribed by the Agency.

The table below summarizes the composition of regulatory capital and the capital adequacy ratio of the Bank for the years ended 31 December 2009 prepared in accordance with Agency regulations.

	2009.	2008.
Bank's net capital according to Banking Agency regulations	85.911	72.118
Risk of Risk Weighted Assets and Loan Equivalent	494.857	402.477
Weighted operational risk	25.640	2.544
Total weighted risk	520.497	405.021
Capital adequacy ratio	16,5%	17,8%

We note that the Agency regulations for calculation of capital assignment for operational risk is changed in 2009, resulting in lower capital adequacy ratio.

A minimum capital requirement according to the Banking agency regulations amounts to 12%.

5. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

The Bank makes estimates and assumptions about uncertain events, including estimates and assumptions about the future. Such accounting assumptions and estimates are regularly evaluated, and are based on historical experience and other factors such as the expected flow of future events that can be rationally assumed in existing circumstances, but nevertheless necessarily represent sources of estimation uncertainty. The estimation of impairment losses in the Bank's credit risk portfolio represents the major source of estimation uncertainty. This and other key sources of estimation uncertainty, that have a significant risk of causing a possible material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are described below.

Impairment losses on loans and advances

The Bank monitors the creditworthiness of its customers on an ongoing basis. As already mentioned under note 3 the impairment loss recognised in income statement is determined based on the category in which the asset is classified.

In determining the overall level of loan impairment allowance required, management considers delay in repayment, the financial condition of the borrower, capacity of repayments, quality of collateral economic environment, historic repayment and past debt experience.

Taxation

The Bank provides for tax liabilities in accordance with the tax laws of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Tax returns are subject to the approval of the tax authorities who are entitled to carry out subsequent inspections of taxpayers' records. The interpretation of tax legislation by tax authorities as applied to the transactions and activity of the Company may not coincide with that of the management. As a result, transactions may be challenged by tax authorities and the Company may be assessed additional taxes, penalties and interest, which can be significant. In accordance with the Law on Tax Authority of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, tax liabilities are normally open to inspection by the Tax Authority for a period of five years from the origination of the liability.

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5. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Court proceedings provisions

The amount recognized as a provision for court proceedings is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the balance sheet date, when the probability that the settlement will occur is greater than that it will not.

Regulatory requirements

The Agency is entitled to carry out regulatory inspections of the Bank's operations and to request changes to the carrying values of assets and liabilities, in accordance with the underlying regulations.

6. INTEREST INCOME AND SIMILAR INCOME

	2009.	2008.
Interest on loans to individuals	11.215	15.234
Interest on loans to companies	20.900	9.798
Interest on placements with and loans and advances to other banks	754	1.273
Interest on placements with the central bank	377	939
Total	33.246	27.244

7. INTEREST AND SIMILAR CHARGES

	2009.	2008.
Interest on deposits and borrowings from banks	3.398	5.623
Interest on companies' deposits	3.943	3.221
Interest on individuals' deposits	5.166	2.807
Total	12.507	11.651

8. FEE AND COMMISSION INCOME

	2009.	2008.
Fees from payment transactions	8.486	6.273
Fees from off-balance-sheet transactions	957	1.019
Fees from foreign exchange transactions	798	605
Total	10.241	7.897

9. FEE AND COMMISSION EXPENSE

	2009.	2008.
Fees and commissions for payment transactions	1.293	793
Other fees to banks	228	120
Total	1.521	913

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10. NET FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAINS

	2009.	2008.
Foreign exchange translation gains, net	23	62
Foreign exchange trading gain, net	1,257	865
Total net	1.280	927

11. PERSONNEL EXPENSES

	2009.	2008.
Net salaries	6.492	5.547
Taxes and contributions	4.676	3.858
Other	1.493	2.341
Total	12.661	11.746

The average number of employees of the Bank during the years ended 31 December 2009 and 2008 was 397 and 343 respectively.

12. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	2009.	2008.
Services	828	922
Communication costs	1.138	890
Rent	1.562	857
Transportation	1.272	846
Material expenses	615	765
Insurance	908	761
Advertising and marketing	1.139	712
Maintenance	750	605
Other taxes and dues	565	551
Energy cost	537	472
Fees to Supervisory Board members	130	73
Fees to Agency	427	258
Other administrative expenses	563	751
Total	10.434	8.463

13. IMPAIRMENT LOSSES

	Notes	2009.	2008.
Loans and advances to customers	21	16.003	6.393
Placements with and loans and advances to banks	20	39	
Other assets	23	250	749
Total		16.292	7.142

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14. OTHER PROVISIONS

	Notes	2009.	2008.
Provisions for off balance sheet items	29	(106)	647
Provisions for court cases	29	(549)	1.527
Total	_	(655)	2.174

15. RECOVERIES

	2009.	2008.
Income from collection of written-off loan principle amounts	1.907	425
Income from collection of written-off interest receivable	979	424
Income from collection of written-off other receivables	30	114
Total	2.916	963

16. INCOME TAX

Income tax charged in the income statement comprises current tax only.

Income tax expense recognised in income statement

	2009.	2008.
Current tax expense		-
Income tax charge for the year	-	

The official tax rate within the country is 10% (2008: 10%).

Reconciliation of the accounting profit and income tax expense

	2009.	2008.
Loss before income tax	(6.482)	(5.910)
Tax effects of items which are not deductible:		
- non-taxable income	(256)	(21)
- non-deductible expenses	2.691	5.310
Income tax loss for the year	(4.047)	(621)
Income tax charge for the year	_	_

In accordance with Law on corporate profit tax, tax losses can be carried forward for relief against profit of future accounting periods, but for not longer than 5 years. For reasons of prudence, the Bank does not recognize deferred tax assets on tax losses carried forward.

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16. INCOME TAX (CONTINUED)

Tax losses can be carried forward as follows:

	2009.	2008.
Up to 5 years	4.047	621
Up to 4 years	621	-
Up to 3 years	-	-
Up to 2 years	-	-
Up to 1 year	-	-
	4.668	621

The Bank's tax liabilities are ascertained in tax statements prepared by the Bank and might be a matter of subsequent inspection and consequent adjustment by tax authorities in a five year period after recognition. The Bank's Management Board is not aware of any circumstances, which may give rise to a potential material liability in this respect.

17. LOSS PER SHARE

	2009.	2008.
Weighted average number of shares	638.108	271.715
Net loss	(6.482)	(5.910)
Basic loss per share	(0,0101)	(0,0191)

18. CASH RESERVES

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Cash in hand	17.925	11.655
Giro account with central bank	25.104	25.805
Current accounts with other banks in foreign currencies	1.723	3.334
Cheques in course of collection	13	10
Total	44.765	40.804

19. OBLIGATORY RESERVE WITH THE CENTRAL BANK

During the period from 1 January to 14 October 2008, the minimum obligatory reserve requirement was calculated as 18% of the average amount of total deposits and the borrowings for each working day during the previous 10 calendar days. On 14 October 2008, due to the impact of the global financial crisis, the rate of minimum obligatory reserve was decreased to 14%. In 2009 the central bank again changed obligatory reserve requirements. As at 31 December 2009 the obligatory reserve requirement amounted to 7% for liabilities with maturity above 1 year, and 14% for liabilities with maturity up to 1 year. The obligatory reserve is maintained through the average balance on the ordinary reserve account with the central bank.

The interest rate on funds kept up to the minimum obligatory reserve requirement was 1% during 2008 and until April 2009, when it was decreased to 0.5%. The average interest rate for the year ended 31 December 2009 for funds above obligatory reserve was 0.53% (2008: 3.61%). Cash held at the obligatory reserve account with the central bank is not available for daily operations without specific approval from the central bank and the Agency.

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20. PLACEMENTS WITH AND LOANS AND ADVANCES TO OTHER BANKS

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Placements with banks		
Money market placements	133.272	84.492
Restricted deposits	636	137
	133.908	84.629
Loans and advances to banks		
Loans and advances to banks	1.957	-
	1.957	-
Total before impairment	135.865	84.629
Provisions	(39)	-
Total	135.826	84.629

 $The \ average \ interest \ rate \ for \ placements \ in \ EUR \ on \ 31 \ December \ 2009 \ was \ 0.22\% \ (31 \ December \ 2008: \ 1.83\%).$

Changes in provisions are presented as follows:

	2009.	2008.
Balance as at 1 January	-	-
Impairment losses (Note 13)	39	-
Balance as at 31 December	39	-

21. LOANS AND ADVANCES TO CUSTOMERS

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Short-term loans		
Corporate loans	98.413	92.840
Retail loans	11.351	10.301
	109.764	103.141
Long-term loans		
Corporate loans	198.917	151.579
Retail loans	127.672	91.712
	326.589	243.291
Total loans before provision for impairment	436.353	346.432
Provision for loan impairment	(16.103)	(9.914)
Total	420.250	336.518

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21. LOANS AND ADVANCES TO CUSTOMERS (CONTINUED)

Changes in provision can be presented as follows:

	2009.	2008.
Balance as at 1 January	9.914	6.127
Impairment losses (Note 13)	16.003	6.393
Write-offs	(9.814)	(2.606)
Balance as at 31 December	16.103	9.914

Loans and advances to customers are presented including accrued interest in the amount of BAM 2,201 thousand (2008: BAM 2,252 thousand), and net of deferred fees in the amount of BAM 2,572 thousand (2008: BAM 1,474 thousand).

The Bank presents as part of loans and advances to customers funds granted to the company Teleoptic doo in the amount of KM 12,000 thousand for the purpose of completing the construction of a building which the Bank plans to use as its future administrative building when completed.

The weighted average interest rate on loans and advances to customers during the year can be presented as follows:

	2009.	2008.
Corporate	7,95%	8,81%
Retail	9,21%	9,01%

22. FINANCIAL ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR SALE

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
BAMCARD d.d. Sarajevo	115	115
S.W.I.F.T.	24	24
S Leasing	120	20
EBB Elektronsko bankarstvo Sarajevo		4
Subtotal	259	163
Less: Provision for impairment	(5)	(3)
Total	254	160

Investments are as follows:

Company	Activity		Country
BAMCARD d.d. Sarajevo	Debit and credit cards	4,73	Bosnia & Herzegovina
S.W.I.F.T	Interbank telecommunication	-	Belgium
S Leasing d.o.o. Sarajevo	Leasing	10	Bosnia & Herzegovina

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23. OTHER ASSETS

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Prepaid income tax	19	1.076
Receivables from domestic payment transactions	663	708
Fees and commissions receivable	405	261
Prepaid expenses	83	62
Receivables from assignment contracts	-	33
Equipment and consumable stores	4	32
Receivables from Western Union	142	-
Other	182	110
Total other assets before provision	1.498	2.282
Less: Provision for impairment	(209)	(158)
Total	1.289	2.124

Changes in provisions are presented as follows:

	2009.	2008.
Balance as at 1 January	158	489
Impairment losses (Note 13)	250	749
Write-offs	(199)	(1.080)
Balance as at 31 December	209	158

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24. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The movements in tangible fixed assets during the year ended 31 December 2009 are summarized as follows:

	Land and buildings	Computers	Vehicles	Furniture and office equipment	Assets in the course of construction	Total
COST						
At 31 December 2007	5.660	2.252	735	2.804	814	12.265
Additions	135	99		1.030	482	1.746
Transfer (from) / to	-	96	-	554	(650)	-
Reclassifications	5	-	-	-	-	5
Disposals	-	(256)	(87)	(80)	-	(423)
At 31 December 2008	5.800	2.191	648	4.308	646	13.593
Additions	-	-	-	-	3.616	3.616
Transfer (from) / to	1.288	656	126	1.537	(3.607)	-
Disposals		-	(199)	-	-	(199)
At 31 December 2009	7.088	2.847	575	5.845	655	17.010
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION						
At 31 December 2007	428	1.826	305	1.761	•	4.320
Charge for the year	106	254	122	492	-	974
Correction of error	5	-	-	(9)		(4)
Disposals	-	(256)	(16)	(71)	-	(343)
At 31 December 2008	539	1.824	411	2.173	-	4.947
Charge for the year	124	379	102	682	-	1.287
Correction of error	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Otuđenja i otpisi	-	-	(120)	-	-	(120)
At 31 December 2009	663	2.203	393	2.855	-	6.114
Carrying amount as at 31 December 2009	6.425	644	182	2.990	655	10.896
Carrying amount as at 31 December 2008	5.261	367	237	2.135	646	8.646

Assets in the course of construction represent computers and other equipment not yet put into use.

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25. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Intangible asset	Leasehold improvement	Assets in the course of construction	Total
COST				
At 31 December 2007	1.170	375	-	1.545
Additions	121	396	1.597	2.114
Transfers	-	-	-	-
Disposals and write offs	(13)	-	-	(13)
At 31 December 2008	1.278	771	1.597	3.646
Additions	-	-	915	915
Transfers	1.884	628	(2.512)	-
Disposals and write offs		-	-	-
At 31 December 2009	3.162	1.399	-	4.561
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION				
At 31 December 2007	964	373	-	1.337
Charge for the year	72	28	-	100
Disposals and write offs	(13)	-	-	(13)
At 31 December 2008	1.023	401	-	1.424
Charge for the year	376	139	-	515
Disposals and write offs	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2009	1.399	540	-	1.939
Carrying amount as at 31 December 2009	1.763	859	-	2.622
Carrying amount as at 31 December 2008	255	370	1.597	2.222

Assets in the course of construction at 31 December 2008 represent software not yet put into use.

26. CURRENT ACCOUNTS AND DEPOSITS FROM BANKS

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Demand deposits		
In domestic currency	932	122
In foreign currencies	27	-
	959	122
Term deposits:		
In domestic currency	93	7
In foreign currencies	168.549	29.337
	168.642	29.344
Total	169.601	29.466

Term deposits in foreign currency as of 31 December 2009 include a long-term deposit in the amount of EUR 85 million received from Steiermarkische Bank und Sparkassen AG, with maturity date as at 30 June 2016.

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27. CURRENT ACCOUNTS AND DEPOSITS FROM CUSTOMERS

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Demand deposits:		
Individuals:		
In domestic currency	31.970	29.308
In foreign currencies	14.896	13.308
	46.866	42.616
Companies:		
In domestic currency	30.904	36.695
In foreign currencies	4.763	3.604
	35.667	40.299
Other government and non-government organizations:		
In domestic currency	16.129	14.542
In foreign currencies	2.135	1.005
	18.264	15.547
Term deposits:	100.797	98.462
Individuals:		
In domestic currency	19.991	17.106
In foreign currencies	63.989	45.606
	83.980	62.712
Companies:		
In domestic currency	12.603	16.416
In foreign currencies	40.426	8.777
	53.029	25.193
Other government and non-government organizations:		
In domestic currency	38.856	18.311
In foreign currencies	8.814	6.836
	47.670	25.147
	184.679	113.052
Total	285.476	211.514

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28. BORROWINGS

	Short-term		Long-	Long-term		Total	
	2009.	2008.	2009.	2008.	2009.	2008.	
Steiermarkische Bank und Sparkassen AG (i)	114.356	49.547	94	153.952	114.450	203.499	
European Fund for Southeast Europe (ii)	-	8.016	-	-		8.016	
Investment Bank of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (iii)	201	170	297	420	498	590	
Government of Zenica-Doboj Canton (iv)	192	168	5	619	197	787	
	114.749	57.901	396	154.991	115.145	212.892	

- (i) The borrowing comprises one short term borrowing repayable in full on January 6, 2010.
- ii) A long-term loan agreement was signed as of 24 July 2006, in the total amount of EUR 5 million. The loan is divided into two components: (1) funding for financing of small and medium sized enterprises in the amount of EUR 1.5 million, with maturity in five years, and (2) funding for housing loans in amount of the EUR 3.5 million, with maturity in ten years. Loan repayment is on a semi-annual basis. From 1 January 2008, the interest rate is EURIBOR + 2% p.a.
- (iii) Borrowed funds are for the purpose of restructuring of existing loans for working capital as well as financing of development programs and projects of small and medium sized enterprises in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The funds are approved for periods ranging between 2.5 5 years, with an interest rate of 6-month EURIBOR. Repayments are made in equal monthly installments.
- (iii) On 24 May 2004, Zenica-Doboj Canton approved a credit line for financing of economic development and improvement of employment. Loan maturity is up to 10 years, with a grace period of up to 24 months, depending on the particular loan approved to the final beneficiary. Interest rate is EURIBOR + 1.5% p.a., but not less than 6% p.a.

29. PROVISIONS

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Provision for legal proceedings	958	1.527
Provision for off-balance-sheet items	1.303	1.409
Provisions for employee benefits	559	615
Total	2.820	3.551

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29. PROVISIONS (CONTINUED)

Changes in provisions are presented as follows:

	Legal proceedings	Off-balance-sheet otems	Provisions for employee benefits	Total
Balance as of 1 January 2008	-	1.022	567	1.589
Net charge to income statement	1.527	647	48	2.222
Write-off	-	(260)	-	(260)
Balance as of 31 December 2008	1.527	1.409	615	3.551
Net release to income statement	(549)	(106)	(29)	(684)
Provisions used during the year	(20)	-	(27)	(47)
Balance as of 31 December 2009	958	1.303	559	2.820

Net (release)/charge to income statement for provisions for employee benefits are presented as part of personnel expenses.

30. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The aggregate amount of outstanding guarantees, letters of credit and undrawn loan commitments at the year and were:

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Undrawn lending commitments	33.805	33.769
Performance guarantees	8.500	29.116
Payment guarantees	23.011	7.194
Letters of credit	533	452
Total	65.849	70.531

31. OTHER LIABILITIES

	31 December 2009.	31 December 2008.
Liabilities to suppliers	829	772
Liabilities from interbank transactions	6	329
Liabilities to employees	1.093	320
Liabilities from on-lending activities (see Note 34)	2	300
Liabilities toward Federal Employment Institute	236	236
Liabilities for dividends	148	148
Tax payables	20	29
Other	631	643
Total	2.965	2.777

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32. SHARE CAPITAL

The Bank's ownership structure was as follows:

	31 December 2009.			31 December 2008.		
	Share capital KM '000	Number of shares	% of ownership	Share capital KM '000	Number of shares	% of ownership
Steiermarkische Bank und Sparkassen AG, Graz, Austria	73.812	738.118	96,5	53.811	538.108	95,29
Other	2.661	26.615	3,5	2.662	26.625	4,71
Total	76.473	764.733	100,00	56.473	564.733	100,00

Share capital is made up of 764.733 ordinary shares with a nominal value of KM 100 per share.

Share premium represents the excess of the paid-in amount over the nominal value of the issued shares.

33. RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Transactions with related parties as at 31 December 2009 are summarized as follows:

	31 December 2009.		31 Decem	ber 2008.
	Receivables	Payables	Receivables	Payables
Steiermarkische Bank und Sparkassen AG, Graz, Austria	-	282.999	362	203.598
Erste Bank der Oesterreichischen Sparkassen AG Wien	14.533	-	13.891	-
Erste and Steiermarkische bank dd Zagreb	6	-	5	-
Total	14.539	282.999	14.258	203.598

	2009.		20	08.
	Income	Expenditures	Income	Expenditures
Steiermarkische Bank und Sparkassen AG, Graz, Austrija	33	5.016	154	4.947
Erste bank der oeserreichen sparkassen AG W	41	-	194	-
Erste and Steiermarkische bank dd Zagreb	4	-	-	-
Total	78	5.016	348	4.947

All of the transactions stated above have been made under commercial and banking terms and conditions.

Director's and executives' remuneration

The total remuneration of the Management Board and other members of key management during the year ended 31 December 2009 was as follows:

	2009.	2008.
Salaries and other income	1.008	1.026
Taxes and contiributions on salaries and other income	772	636
Total	1.780	1.662

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34. ON-LENDING ACTIVITIES

Funds managed by the Bank on behalf of individuals, trusts and other institutions are not assets of the Bank and, therefore, are not included in its balance sheet.

The table below provides analysis of the funds managed on behalf of customers by investment type:

	2009.	2008.
LOANS		
Companies	18.762	21.038
Individuals	4.193	4.515
Total	22.955	25.553
LIABILITIES		
Employment agency of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina	19.292	19.011
Citizens and companies	-	3.272
Ministry of War veterans of Zenica-Doboj Canton	1.072	1.258
Ministry of Trade of Bosnia-Drina Canton	810	810
Ministry of Trade of Bosansko-podrinjski Canton-"stambeni-BIZ"	31	-
International Guarantee Agency	655	360
Government of Zenica-Doboj Canton	295	318
Employment agency of Zenica-Doboj Canton	229	258
USAID	248	248
Humanitarian organization MOJ BLIŽNJI	-	165
Lutheran World Federation	73	65
Housing fund of Una-Sana Canton	32	38
Employment agency of Bosnia-Drina Canton	24	25
War veterans Bihać	14	25
Bor banka	42	-
Organizacija poginulih Šehida i poginulih boraca Zenica	140	-
Total	22.957	25.853
Current liabilities from managed funds activities (see Note 31)	2	300

The Bank does not bear the risk for these placements and charges a fee for its services.

Branches

PLACE	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	FAX
BRANCH SARAJEVO	Zmaja od Bosne 7	033/722 400	033/722 419
Centar	Maršala Tita 15	033/722 431	033/722 430
Novi Grad	Bulev. Meše Selimovića 97	033/769 690	033/769 710
Vogošća	Braće Halać 18	033/424 070	033/424 715
Dobrinja	Dobrinjske bolnice 11	033/788 460	033/788 455
Novo Sarajevo	Zmaja od Bosne 60	033/718 335	033/718 375
Ilidža	Samira Ćatovića Kobre 2	033/764 925	033/764 945
BRANCH GORAŽDE	Alije Hodžića 3	038/241 095	038/241 098
BRANCH BIHAĆ	Hasana Kjafije Pruščaka nn, Ozimice I	037/229 056	037/224 191
Bihać	V Korpusa 1	037/229 055	037/229 079
Bos. Petrovac	Trg šehida nn	037/883 166	037/883 163
Bos. Krupa	Kolodvorska nn	037/470 046	037/470 047
Cazin	Cazinskih brigada 24	037/510 045	037/510 044
V. Kladuša	Trg A. M. Brene nn	037/775 035	037/775 083
Sanski Most	Mahala 2	037/688 588	037/688 606
Ključ	Branilaca nn	037/660 148	037/660 013
BRANCH TUZLA	Aleja Alije Izetbegovića 2	035/300 750	035/300 757
Sjenjak	Ismeta Mujezinovića blok B	035/300 767	035/300 771
Gračanica	Fridriha Foglera 8	035/700 171	035/700 075
Živinice	Tuzlanskog odreda blok 1	035/740 900	035/740 950
Gradačac	Husein kap. Gradaščevića nn	035/821 505	035/822 040
Lukavac	Sarajevska 5	035/550 140	035/550 435
Čelić	Alije Izetbegovića nn-Tržni centar	035/668 091	035/668 220
BRANCH BRČKO	Bulevar mira 30	049/235 453	049/235 455
BRANCH ZENICA	Maršala Tita 9	032/449 220	032/449 229
Zenica	Aska Borića 23	032/449 232	032/449 230
Žepče	Stjepana Tomaševića nn	032/888 240	032/888 156
Kakanj	Alije Izetbegovića nn	032/552 950	032/552 960
Tešanj	Nesuha Mešića 3	032/665 130	032/665 135
Maglaj	Viteška nn	032/609 320	032/609 800
Jelah	Titova Ulica nn	032/667 710	032/667 870
BRANCH MOSTAR	Husnije Repca nn	036/501 800	036/501 810
Konjic	Željeznička nn	036/734 120	036/735 980
Jablanica	Putnikova nn	036/750 570	036/752 233
Mostar	Kralja Tvrtka 12	036/333 450	036/333 448
Ljubuški	Z. Frankopanska 102	039/830 797	039/830 023
Čapljina	Trg Kralja Tomislava 26	036/810 612	036/810 610
Široki Brijeg	Trg Ante Starčevića 6	039/700 031	039/700 414
BRANCH VISOKO	Alije Izetbegovića 16	032/730 382	032/730 355
Fojnica	Bosanska nn	030/544 131	030/544 135
BRANCH TRAVNIK	Bosanska 121	030/519 451	030/519 498
N. Travnik	Kalinska nn	030/519 491	030/542 590
Gornji Vakuf	Mehmed bega Stočanina nn	030/270 502	030/270 540
Bugojno	Trg Zlatnih Ijiljana 3	030/270 410	030/260 160
BRANCH BANJA LUKA	Aleja Svetog Save 7	051/340 015	051/340 030
Doboj	Nemanjina 64	053/205 531	053/206 940
Prijedor	Svetosavska nn	052/242 151	052/243 290

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