

**“BAKU STOCK EXCHANGE”
CLOSED JOINT-STOCK
COMPANY**

**The International Financial Reporting Standards
Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022**

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STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT’S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PREPARATION AND APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022

The following statement is made with a view to distinguishing the respective responsibilities of the management and those of the independent auditors in relation to the financial statements of “Baku Stock Exchange” CJSC (hereinafter “Company” or “BSE”). Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements that present fairly the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2022, comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) for the year then ended.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for:

- Selecting suitable accounting principles and applying them consistently;
- Making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Stating whether IFRS has been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business for the foreseeable future.

Management is also responsible for:

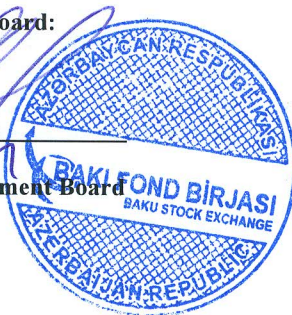
- Designing, implementing and maintaining an effective and sound system of internal controls, throughout the Company;
- Maintaining proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Company, and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements of the Company comply with IFRS;
- Maintaining statutory accounting records in compliance with legislation and accounting standards of the Republic of Azerbaijan;
- Taking such steps that are reasonably available to them to safeguard the assets of the Company; and
- Detecting and preventing fraud, errors and other irregularities.

The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 were authorized for issue on March 16, 2023 by the Management of the Company.

On behalf of the Management Board:


Eldar Abdullayev
Acting Chairman of the Management Board

March 16, 2023
Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan




Dilara Babayeva
Head of Finance and Management Group

March 16, 2023
Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Executive Board of Baku Stock Exchange:

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of “Baku Stock Exchange” Closed Joint-Stock Company (hereinafter the “Company”), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2022, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respect, the financial position of the Company as at December 31, 2022 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

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

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

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March 16, 2023
Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan

“BAKU STOCK EXCHANGE” CLOSED JOINT-STOCK COMPANY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2022 (in Azerbaijani Manats)

	Notes	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	7	1,775,600	2,057,144
Intangible assets	8	368,526	358,127
Investment securities	10	2,676,201	2,774,866
Prepayments for intangible assets	11	1,027,743	278,537
Deferred tax asset	16	45,309	68,123
Total non-current assets		5,893,379	5,536,797
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	12, 25	389,245	78,248
Deposits at banks	9, 23, 25	3,722,699	5,758,090
Investment securities	10	1,267,786	355,701
Tax prepayments		-	239,101
Prepayments	13	281,170	187,126
Other current assets	14, 25	382,572	125,104
Total current assets		6,043,472	6,743,370
TOTAL ASSETS		11,936,851	12,280,167
EQUITY			
Share capital	15	5,040,000	5,040,000
Emission income		151,800	151,800
Retained earnings		5,312,378	5,883,474
TOTAL EQUITY		10,504,178	11,075,274
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities:			
Lease liability	17	1,070,413	1,174,895
Total non-current liabilities		1,070,413	1,174,895
Current liabilities			
Lease liability	17	237,782	-
Tax liabilities		54,915	-
Other current liabilities	18, 25	69,563	29,998
Total current liabilities		362,260	29,998
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,432,673	1,204,893
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		11,936,851	12,280,167

On behalf of the Management Board:

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The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 37 are an integral part of these financial statements.

“BAKU STOCK EXCHANGE” CLOSED JOINT-STOCK COMPANY

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (in Azerbaijani Manats)

	Notes	For the year ended December 31, 2022	For the year ended December 31, 2021
Fee and commission income on transactions	19, 25	2,027,552	1,795,536
Other service income	20, 25	183,073	88,810
Total income		2,210,625	1,884,346
Salaries and other staff-related payments	21, 25	(1,425,224)	(1,211,525)
General and administrative expenses	22, 25	(1,021,513)	(712,082)
Depreciation of property and equipment	7	(284,964)	(312,046)
Amortization of intangible assets	8	(41,013)	(39,857)
Total operating expenses		(2,772,714)	(2,275,510)
Operating loss		(562,089)	(391,164)
Recovery of expected credit loss/(expected credit loss)	23	16,148	(339,573)
Interest income	24, 25	489,963	545,645
Loss from the disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		(1,143)	(1,286)
Net income from the sale of bonds		1,626	6,776
Financial expenses	17	(133,300)	(119,717)
Exchange rate loss		(5,783)	(3,057)
Loss before income tax		(194,578)	(302,376)
Profit tax (expense)/income	16	(61,518)	32,430
Net loss during the reporting period		(256,096)	(269,946)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE YEAR		(256,096)	(269,946)

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (in Azerbaijani Manats)

	Notes	For the year ended December 31, 2022	For the year ended December 31, 2021
Cash flows from operating activities			
Loss before income tax		(194,578)	(302,376)
Adjustments for non-cash items:			
Depreciation of property and equipment	7	284,964	312,046
Amortization of intangible assets	8	41,013	39,857
(Recovery of expected credit loss)/expected credit loss	23	(16,148)	339,573
Interest income	24	(489,963)	(545,645)
Financial expenses		133,300	119,717
Loss from revaluation of foreign currency balances		5,783	3,057
Loss from the disposal of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		1,143	1,286
Net income from the sale of bonds		(1,626)	(6,776)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Change in prepayments		(94,044)	(132,309)
Change in other current assets		(257,468)	(273,842)
Change in other current liabilities		9,565	1,113
Change in tax prepayments and liabilities		255,312	(68,597)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		(322,747)	(512,896)
Income tax paid		-	(53,000)
Cash flows from investment activities			
Payments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment		(4,563)	(4,228)
Net change in deposits at banks		2,003,616	(242,000)
Net change on investment securities		(811,794)	491,078
Received interest income on deposits from banks		349,559	336,260
Received interest income on investment securities		188,327	181,419
Payments for the acquisition of intangible assets		(800,618)	(306,388)
Net cash outflow from investment activities		924,527	456,141
Cash flows from financial activities			
Dividends paid		(285,000)	(289,275)
Net cash outflow from financial activities		(285,000)	(289,275)
Impact of exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents:		(5,783)	(3,057)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		310,997	(402,087)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, at the beginning of the year	12	78,248	480,335
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, at the end of the year	12	389,245	78,248

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (in Azerbaijani Manats)

	Share capital	Emission income	Retained earnings	Total capital
January 1, 2021	1,260,000	151,800	10,253,145	11,664,945
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	(269,946)	(269,946)
Declared dividends	-	-	(319,725)	(319,725)
Increase in share capital	3,780,000	-	(3,780,000)	-
December 31, 2021	5,040,000	151,800	5,883,474	11,075,274
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	(256,096)	(256,096)
Declared dividends	-	-	(315,000)	(315,000)
December 31, 2022	5,040,000	151,800	5,312,378	10,504,178

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (in Azerbaijani Manats)

1. COMPANY AND ITS PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

“Baku Stock Exchange” Closed Joint-Stock Company (the “Company” or “BSE”) was incorporated on October 23, 1997 and operates in the Republic of Azerbaijan.

The Company’s principal business activity is the organization of trading operations with all types of securities within the Republic of Azerbaijan. The Company operates under a license issued by the State Committee for Securities under the auspices of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan (“SCS”) since July 2000.

Shareholders of the Company

As at December 31, 2022 and 2021, the shareholders of the Company were as follows:

	December 31, 2022, %	December 31, 2021, %
“Azerbaijan Industry Bank” OJSC	9.5239	9.5239
“Demir Investment Company” CJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Kapital Partners” LLC	4.7619	4.7619
“Brokdil-Az” LLC	4.7619	4.7619
“PSG-Capital Investment Company” CJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Bank of Baku” OJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Kapital Bank” OJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Global Menkul Degerler” A.S.	4.7619	4.7619
“Borsa Istanbul” A.S.	4.7619	4.7619
“Mars Investment” LLC	4.7619	4.7619
“Respublika Invest” LLC	4.7619	4.7619
“International Bank of Azerbaijan” OJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“UniCapital Investment Company” OJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“United Credit Bank” OJSC (In the process of liquidation)	4.7619	4.7619
“Yapi Kredi Bank Azerbaijan” OJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Caspian Financial LTD” LLC	4.7619	4.7619
“Xalq Kapital Investment Company” CJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Invest-AZ Investment Company” CJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Plato Capital and Co. Investment Company” OJSC	4.7619	4.7619
“Invest-AZ Yatırım Menkul Degerler” A.S.	4.7619	4.7619
Total	100	100

Registered legal address of the Company

The Company’s registered legal address is 19 Bulbul Avenue, Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan.

As at December 31, 2022 the business address of the Company is 2A Hasan bey Zardabi Avenue, Şokolad Tower, Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan.

“BAKU STOCK EXCHANGE” CLOSE JOINT-STOCK COMPANY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (Continued) *(in Azerbaijani Manats)*

2. OPERATING ENVIRONMENT OF THE COMPANY

The Company’s operations are conducted in the Republic of Azerbaijan. The Company interacts with the economic and financial markets of Azerbaijan which display characteristics of an emerging market. The legal, tax and regulatory frameworks continue development, but are subject to varying interpretations and frequent changes which together with other legal and fiscal impediments contribute to the challenges faced by entities operating in Azerbaijan.

Azerbaijan’s economy also has a significant exposure to level of international energy prices. Crude oil prices increased in the first half of the year because of supply concerns, however, starting from the second half of the year oil prices generally decreased as concerns about a possible economic recession reduced demand. The Brent crude oil spot price averaged USD 100 per barrel in 2022. Strong oil prices supported the economic growth of the country.

The depreciation of Azerbaijani Manat in 2015-2016 years has led to significant uncertainties in business environment, therefore government took all required actions to keep the exchange rate stable over the past 5 years. As a result, continuous fluctuation in global oil prices did not affect the local currency and therefore did not increase the uncertainty in the business environment. The COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic has affected businesses significantly in 2020, however, after a successful vaccination campaign of the government majority of businesses steadily returned to their normal activities during 2021 and the first half of 2022. The sustainability of the cease-fire arrangement over the Karabakh region also improves the business environment as there are number of government-led projects to attract investment and develop the territories released from occupation.

GDP reached AZN 133.8 billion (USD 78.7 billion) in 2022 with 4.6% growth compared to 2021. During 2022 foreign trade turnover of the Republic of Azerbaijan reached about USD 52.69 billion of which export equaled to USD 38.15 billion and import equaled to USD 14.54 billion according to the statistics of the State Customs Committee.

International credit rating agencies regularly evaluate the credit rating of the Republic of Azerbaijan. Fitch and S&P evaluated the rating of the Republic of Azerbaijan as “BB+”. Moody’s Investors Service set a “Ba1” credit rating for the country.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. If no other explanation has been made in the notes, the provisions of the accounting policies have been consistently applied throughout the reporting period.

Statement of Compliance

These financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and Interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (“IFRIC”).

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in the Azerbaijani Manats (“AZN”) except when otherwise indicated.

Going concern

These financial statements have been prepared on the assumption that the Company will be able to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

“BAKU STOCK EXCHANGE” CLOSE JOINT-STOCK COMPANY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (Continued) *(in Azerbaijani Manats)*

Management views the Company as continuing in business for the foreseeable future with neither the intention nor the necessity of liquidation, ceasing trading or seeking protection from creditors pursuant to laws or regulations of the Republic of Azerbaijan. Accordingly, assets and liabilities are recorded on the basis that the Company will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. Some financial reporting frameworks contain an explicit requirement for management to make a specific assessment of the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern, and standards regarding matters to be considered and disclosures to be made in connection with going concern.

The principal accounting policies are set out below:

Current versus non-current classification

The Company presents assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position based on current/non-current classification. An asset is current when it is:

- Expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in the normal operating cycle;
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading;
- Expected to be realized within twelve months after the reporting period; or
- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is current when:

- It is expected to be settled in the normal operating cycle;
- It is held primarily for the purpose of trading;
- It is due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period; or
- There is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

The Company classifies all other liabilities as non-current. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are classified as non-current assets and liabilities.

IFRS 15 “Revenue from Contracts with Customers”

IFRS 15 establishes a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers.

The core principle of IFRS 15 is that the Company should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services.

Specifically, the Standard introduces a 5-step approach to revenue recognition:

- Step 1: Identify the contract with a customer;
- Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the contract;
- Step 3: Determine the transaction price;
- Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract;
- Step 5: Recognize revenue when the entity satisfies a performance obligation.

Property and equipment

Items of property and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses, where applicable.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (Continued) (in Azerbaijani Manats)

Expenditure on major maintenance refits or repairs comprises the cost of replacement assets or parts of assets, inspection costs and overhaul costs. Where an asset or part of an asset that was separately depreciated and is now written off is replaced and it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company, the expenditure is capitalized. Where part of the asset was not separately considered as a component, the replacement value is used to estimate the carrying amount of the replaced assets which is immediately written off. Inspection costs associated with major maintenance programs are capitalized and amortized over the period to the next inspection.

All property and equipment that does not provide future economic benefit are expensed immediately in the statement of comprehensive income.

Leases

Lease is a contract that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Control is considered to exist if the customer has the right to obtain substantially all economic benefits from the use of an identified asset and the right to direct use of that asset.

At lease commencement, the Company recognizes a right of use an asset and lease liability for all leases except for short-term and low-valued items.

The right of use an asset is initially measured at cost and measured subsequently at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of future lease payments. Subsequently, lease liabilities are adjusted for interest and lease payments.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets are stated at the amount initially recognized, less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses.

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is fair value as at the date of acquisition.

Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortization on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives and any accumulated impairment losses. Internally generated intangible assets are not capitalized and expenditure is reflected in the statement of comprehensive income in the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation is charged on the historical cost of property and equipment and intangible assets are designed to wear out over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis (the land is not depreciated):

Buildings and facilities	5%-7%
The right-of-use asset	Depends on the terms of the lease
Machinery and equipment	10%-25%
Vehicles	10%-25%
Furniture and fixtures	10%-20%
Intangible assets	10%-20%

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (Continued) (in Azerbaijani Manats)

The residual value of an asset is the estimated amount that the Company would currently obtain from disposal of the asset less the estimated costs of disposal, if the asset was already of age and in the condition expected at the end of its useful life. The residual value of an asset is nil if the Company expects to use the asset until the end of its physical life. The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

Prepayments

Prepayments are carried at cost less provision for impairment. A prepayment is classified as non-current when the goods or services relating to the prepayment are expected to be obtained after one year, or when the prepayment relates to an asset which will itself be classified as non-current upon initial recognition. The non-current prepayments are classified and presented as advance to suppliers of property and equipment in the statement of financial position.

Prepayments to acquire assets are transferred to the carrying amount of the asset once the Company has obtained control of the asset and it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the asset will flow to the Company. Other prepayments are written off to profit and loss accounts when the goods or services relating to the prepayments are received.

If there is an indication that the assets, goods or services relating to a prepayment will not be received, the carrying value of the prepayment is written down accordingly and a corresponding impairment loss is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognized in the Company's statement of financial position when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognized immediately in profit or loss.

Financial assets

All regular-way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognized on a trade date basis. All recognised financial assets are measured subsequently in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

Classification of financial assets

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are measured subsequently at amortised cost:

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 (Continued) *(in Azerbaijani Manats)*

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are measured subsequently at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI):

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

By default, all other financial assets are measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL).

Despite the foregoing, the Company may make the following irrevocable election/designation at initial recognition of a financial asset:

- the Company may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value of an equity investment in other comprehensive income if certain criteria are met; and
- the Company may irrevocably designate a debt investment that meets the amortised cost or FVTOCI criteria as measured at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch.

Amortised cost and effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. For financial assets other than purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets (i.e. assets that are credit-impaired on initial recognition), the effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) excluding expected credit losses, through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the gross carrying amount of the debt instrument on initial recognition.

For purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, a credit-adjusted effective interest rate is calculated by discounting the estimated future cash flows, including expected credit losses, to the amortised cost of the debt instrument on initial recognition.

The amortised cost of a financial asset is the amount at which the financial asset is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount, adjusted for any loss allowance. The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any loss allowance.

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method for debt instruments measured subsequently at amortised cost and at FVTOCI. For financial assets other than purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset, except for financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired.

The Company's majority of financial assets were classified as financial assets measured subsequently at amortized cost. The Company's financial liabilities were classified as financial liabilities measured subsequently at amortized cost. The Company does not choose to classify any financial liabilities as measured at fair value through profit or loss.

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Impairment of financial assets

The Company applies the expected credit loss model to financial assets measured at amortized cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income.

The allowance for expected credit losses for a financial asset is measured at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk on that financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition.

If, at the reporting date, the credit risk on a financial asset has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the allowance for expected credit losses for that financial asset (except trade receivables, where the simplified approach is elected) is measured at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses.

For trade and other receivables, whether they contain a significant financing component or not, measurements based on lifetime expected credit losses are applied. The Company utilizes an internal model to assess expected credit losses. The model was developed in accordance with IFRS 9 and designed to assess the credit risk exposure of counterparties taking into account the characteristics of financial assets by assigning a scoring system to counterparties.

Assigned score is returning PD (Probability of Default) on an individual basis. Move of the asset from one score band to a lower score band is considered a significant increase in credit risk among other criteria.

Fair value measurement

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

- In the principal market for the asset or liability; or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Company. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest. A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

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

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

- Level 1 - Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 – Primary information is used for the information that is directly or indirectly observable related to an asset or liability;
- Level 3 – Primary information is used for the information that is unobservable for an asset or liability.

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

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are assets that can be easily converted into cash at any time, with a slight difference in their value. Cash and cash equivalents are recognized in the amortized cost using the effective interest method. The restricted cash balances are not included in cash and cash equivalents. The balances with the limitation on use for the conversion or settlement of the liability purposes during at least twelve months after reporting date are included in other categories.

Prepayments

The Company derecognizes a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity.

Financial liabilities

All financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method and recognized on the basis of FVTPL.

Financial liabilities are classified as at FVTPL when the financial liability is (i) contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination, (ii) held-for-trading or (iii) it is designated as at FVTPL. Financial liabilities that are not (i) contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination, (ii) held-for-trading, or (iii) designated as at FVTPL, are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability or group of financial assets or liabilities and of allocating interest income or interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the amortised cost of financial liability.

De-recognition of financial liabilities

The Company removes a financial liability (or a part of a financial liability) from its statement of financial position when, and only when, it is extinguished – i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expires.

An exchange between an existing borrower and lender of debt instruments with substantially different terms is accounted for as an extinguishment of the original financial liability and the recognition of a new financial liability. Similarly, a substantial modification of the terms of an existing financial liability or a part of it (whether or not attributable to the financial difficulty of the debtor) is accounted for as an extinguishment of the original financial liability and the recognition of a new financial liability.

The terms are substantially different if the discounted present value of the cash flows under the new terms, including any fees paid net of any fees received and discounted using the original effective interest rate, is at least 10 percent different from the discounted present value of the remaining cash flows of the original financial liability. If an exchange of debt instruments or modification of terms is accounted for as an extinguishment, any costs or fees incurred are recognized as part of the gain or loss on the extinguishment. If the exchange or modification is not accounted for as an extinguishment, any costs or fees incurred adjust the carrying amount of the liability and are amortized over the remaining term of the modified liability.

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Offsetting of financial instruments

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

Income taxes

Income taxes have been provided for in the financial statements in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date. The income tax charge comprises current tax and deferred tax and is recognized in the income statement. However, taxes relating to transactions that are recognized in direct capital accounts in the same or a different period are recognized directly in capital accounts.

Current tax is the amount expected to be paid to or recovered from the taxation authorities in respect of taxable profits or losses for the current and prior periods. Taxable profit is calculated on the basis of estimated amounts when the financial statements are approved prior to the presentation of the relevant tax returns. Taxes other than income tax are recorded as administrative and operating expenses.

Deferred income tax is provided using the balance sheet liability method for tax loss carryforwards and temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes. In accordance with the initial recognition exemption, deferred taxes are not recorded for temporary differences on initial recognition of an asset or a liability in a transaction other than a business combination if the transaction, when initially recorded, affects neither accounting nor taxable profit.

Deferred tax balances are measured at tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date which are expected to apply to the period when the temporary differences will reverse or the tax loss carryforwards will be utilized. Deferred tax assets for deductible temporary differences and tax loss carryforwards are recorded only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the deductions can be utilized.

Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares are recognized as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects. Dividends on ordinary shares are recognized in equity as a reduction in the period in which they are declared.

Dividends that are declared after the reporting date are treated as a subsequent event under International Accounting Standard 10 “Events after the Reporting Date” (“IAS 10”) and disclosed accordingly.

Foreign currency translation

Functional currency of the Company is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. The Company’s functional currency is the national currency of the Republic of Azerbaijan - Azerbaijani Manat (“AZN”).

Monetary assets and liabilities are translated into the entity’s functional currency at the official exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Republic of Azerbaijan at the respective reporting dates. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of the transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities into each entity’s functional currency at year-end official exchange rates of the CBAR are recognized in the statement of comprehensive income.

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Translation at year-end rates does not apply to non-monetary items, including equity investments. Effects of exchange rate changes on the fair value of equity securities are recorded as part of the fair value gain or loss.

The exchange rates used by the Company in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
AZN/1 USD	1.7000	1.7000
AZN/1 EUR	1.8114	1.9265

Staff related costs and allocations

Wages, salaries, contributions to the State Pension Fund of the Republic of Azerbaijan and social insurance funds, paid annual leave and sick leave, bonuses, and non-monetary benefits (such as health services and kindergarten services and food) are accrued in the year in which the associated services are rendered by the employees of the Company.

Recognition of other income and expenses

Other income and expenses are recognized on an accrual basis.

Contingent liabilities and assets

Contingent liabilities are not recognized in the financial statements. They are disclosed in the respective notes to the financial statements unless the possibility of an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits is remote.

Contingent assets are not recognized in the financial statements but disclosed when an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

Lease liability

At the effective date of the lease, the Company recognizes a lease liability measured at the present value of the lease payments payable over the lease term. Lease payments include fixed payments (including significant fixed payments), variable lease payments based on an index or rate, and amounts that may be paid under residual value guarantees, excluding any future rental discounts. Lease payments also include the payment of penalties for termination of the lease if the execution price and term of the lease, which are reasonably determined by the Company, reflect the Company's choice to terminate the lease.

Variable lease payments that do not depend on the index or rate are recorded as expenses (unless they are incurred for production) at the time of the event or situation that caused the payment.

Since the interest rate on the lease cannot be determined immediately, the Company uses the interest rate accrued on the date of commencement of the lease when calculating the present value of the lease payments. After the commencement date, the amount of the lease obligation is increased to reflect the accrual of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the residual value of the lease is re-measured if the adjustment, change in the lease term, change in lease payments (for example, changes in future payments as a result of changes in the index or rate used to determine such lease payments) or acquisition of the underlying asset to make a change in the evaluation of the choice.

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4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, costs and disclosure of contingent liabilities during the reporting period.

As a result of the uncertainties inherent in business activities, many items in financial statements cannot be measured with precision but can only be estimated. Estimation involves judgments based on the latest information available when financial statements were prepared. Existing circumstances and assumptions about future developments, however, may change due to market changes or circumstances arising beyond the control of the Company. Such changes are reflected in the assumptions when they occur.

The most significant estimates relate to the depreciable lives of property and equipment, impairment of non-financial and financial assets, fair value of financial instruments and provision for obsolete inventory. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

In the process of applying the Company’s accounting policies, the management has made the following judgments and estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the financial statements.

Fair value measurement of financial instruments

The Company’s several accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities.

The Company has an established control framework with respect to the measurement of fair values.

When measuring the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Company uses market observable data as far as possible. Fair values are categorised into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used in the valuation techniques as follows:

- *Level 1*: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- *Level 2*: inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices);
- *Level 3*: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

If the data used to measure the fair value of an asset or liability can be classified at different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the fair value measurement as a whole is classified as the lowest level entry, which is important for all measurements of the same degree of fair value hierarchy.

Useful life of property, equipment and intangible assets

The Company assesses the remaining useful lives of items of property, equipment, intangible assets and investment property at least at each financial year-end. If expectations differ from previous estimates, the changes are accounted for as a change in an accounting estimate in accordance with IAS 8 “Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors”. These estimates may have a material impact on the amount of the carrying values of property and equipment and on depreciation recognized in profit or loss.

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Impairment of property, equipment and intangible assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. If there is a sign of such impairment, the Company makes an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount. An asset's recoverable amount is higher of an asset's or cash-generating unit's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or group of assets.

Where the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. The determination of impairments of property and equipment involves the use of estimates that include, but are not limited to, the cause, timing and amount of the impairment.

Impairment is based on a large number of factors, such as changes in current competitive conditions, expectations of growth in the industry, increased cost of capital, changes in the future availability of financing, technological obsolescence, discontinuance of service, current replacement costs and other changes in circumstances which indicate that impairment exists. The determination of the recoverable amount of a cash-generating unit involves the use of estimates by management. Methods used to determine the value in use include discounted cash flow-based methods, which require the Company to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows from the cash-generating unit and also to choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. These estimates, including the methodologies used, may have a material impact on the fair value and ultimately the amount of any impairment on property, equipment, intangible assets and investment property.

Impairment losses on financial assets

Measurement of impairment losses for all categories of financial assets requires the use of estimates, especially the amount and timing of future cash flows and collateral values when determining impairment losses. These estimates are based on a number of factors, the change of which may result in different levels of reserves. The ECL calculations by the Company are the result of complex models covering a number of relevant assumptions regarding the selection of different input data and their interrelationships. The elements of the ECL models, which are considered accounting estimates and assessments, are:

- Segmentation of financial assets whose ECLs are valued on a common basis;
- Development of ECL models, including various formulas and selection of input data;
- Determining the relationship between macroeconomic scenarios and economic input data such as unemployment rate and collateral values and the impact on the coefficients PD (probability of default), EAD (exposure at default) and LGD (loss given default);
- Selection of perspective macroeconomic scenarios for obtaining economic input data for ECL models and assessment of their feasibility.

Revenue recognition

A significant part of the service income consists of fees and commissions on transactions, interest income and all other income-related activities. Prices of various services need to be allocated to each performance obligation on a relative standalone selling price basis where significant judgements are required. The Company estimates the standalone selling price using a range of prices that would meet the allocation objective based on all the information that is reasonably available including market conditions and other observable inputs. If the transaction prices of service contracts are not within the acceptable range then the revenue is subject to allocation based on the estimated standalone selling prices. The Company recognizes the incremental cost of obtaining a contract as an expense when relevant services are provided.

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Valuation of lease liabilities and right of use assets

The application of IFRS 16 requires to make judgements of right of use assets and lease liabilities. In determining the lease term, the Company considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic incentive to exercise renewal options (or not to exercise termination options). Assessing whether a contract includes a lease also requires judgement. Estimates are required to determine the appropriate discount rate used to measure lease liabilities.

5. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED STANDARDS

In the current year, the Company has adopted all of the applicable new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the IASB and the IFRIC of the IASB that are relevant to its operations and effective for the annual reporting period ended on December 31, 2022.

In May 2020, the IASB issued **Amendments to IFRS 3 “Business Combinations” – Reference to the Conceptual Framework**. The amendments are intended to replace a reference to the Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements, issued in 1989, with a reference to the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting issued in March 2018 without significantly changing its requirements. The Board also added an exception to the recognition principle of IFRS 3 to avoid the issue of potential ‘day 2’ gains or losses arising for liabilities and contingent liabilities that would be within the scope of IAS 37 or IFRIC 21 Levies, if incurred separately. At the same time, the Board decided to clarify existing guidance in IFRS 3 for contingent assets that would not be affected by replacing the reference to the Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements.

Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use – Amendments to IAS 16. In May 2020, the IASB issued Property, Plant and Equipment – Proceeds before Intended Use, which prohibits entities deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment, any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognizes the proceeds from selling such items, and the costs of producing those items, in profit or loss.

Onerous Contracts – Costs of Fulfilling a Contract – Amendments to IAS 37 – In May 2020, the IASB issued amendments to IAS 37 to specify which costs an entity needs to include when assessing whether a contract is onerous or loss-making. The amendments apply a “directly related cost approach”. The costs that relate directly to a contract to provide goods or services include both incremental costs and an allocation of costs directly related to contract activities. General and administrative costs do not relate directly to a contract and are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty under the contract.

IFRS 1 “First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards” – Subsidiary as a first-time adopter. As part of its 2018-2020 annual improvements to the IFRS standards process, the IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 1 “First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards”. The amendment permits a subsidiary that elects to apply paragraph D16(a) of IFRS 1 to measure cumulative translation differences using the amounts reported by the parent, based on the parent’s date of transition to IFRS. This amendment is also applied to an associate or joint venture that elects to apply paragraph D16 (a) of IFRS 1.

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IFRS 9 Financial Instruments – Fees in the “10 percent” test for derecognition of financial liabilities. As part of its 2018-2020 annual improvements to the IFRS standards process the IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 9. The amendment clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other’s behalf. An entity applies the amendment to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment.

“IAS 41 Agriculture” – Taxation in fair value measurements. As part of its 2018-2020 annual improvements to the IFRS standards process the IASB issued an amendment to IAS 41 Agriculture. The amendment removes the requirement in paragraph 22 of IAS 41 that entities exclude cash flows for taxation when measuring the fair value of assets within the scope of IAS 41.

Unless otherwise disclosed, the new standards did not have a material effect on the financial statements of the Bank.

6. STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS ISSUED AND NOT YET ADOPTED

At the date of authorization of these financial statements, other than the Standards and Interpretations adopted by the Company in advance of their effective dates, the following Interpretations were in issue but not yet effective.

IFRS 17 “Insurance contracts” – was issued in May 2017 and replaced IFRS 4 “Insurance contracts”. The new standard establishes the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts within the scope of the standard. An entity shall apply IFRS 17 “Insurance Contracts” to insurance contracts, including reinsurance contracts, it issues; reinsurance contracts it holds; and investment contracts with discretionary participation features it issues, provided the entity also issues insurance contracts.

IFRS 17 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023. Earlier application is permitted if both IFRS 15 “Revenue from Contracts with Customers” and IFRS 9 “Financial Instruments” have also been applied.

Disclosure of Accounting Policies - Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2 - In February 2021, the IASB issued amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements, in which it provides guidance and examples to help entities apply materiality judgements to accounting policy disclosures. The amendments aim to help entities provide accounting policy disclosures that are more useful by replacing the requirement for entities to disclose their ‘significant’ accounting policies with a requirement to disclose their ‘material’ accounting policies and adding guidance on how entities apply the concept of materiality in making decisions about accounting policy disclosures.

The amendments to IAS 1 are applicable for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023 with earlier application permitted. Since the amendments to Practice Statement 2 provide non-mandatory guidance on the application of the definition of material to accounting policy information, an effective date for these amendments is not necessary.

Definition of Accounting Estimates - Amendments to IAS 8 - In February 2021, the IASB issued amendments to IAS 8, in which it introduces a definition of ‘accounting estimates’. The amendments clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies and the correction of errors. Also, they clarify how entities use measurement techniques and inputs to develop accounting estimates.

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The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023 and apply to changes in accounting policies and changes in accounting estimates that occur on or after the start of that period. Earlier application is permitted as long as this fact is disclosed.

Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction - Amendments to IAS 12 - In May 2021, the Board issued amendments to IAS 12, which narrow the scope of the initial recognition exception under IAS 12, so that it no longer applies to transactions that give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences.

The amendments should be applied to transactions that occur on or after the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. In addition, at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented, a deferred tax asset (provided that sufficient taxable profit is available) and a deferred tax liability should also be recognized for all deductible and taxable temporary differences associated with leases and decommissioning obligations.

IASB has issued “**Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to IFRS 16)**” with **amendments** that clarify how a seller-lessee subsequently measures sale and leaseback transactions that satisfy the requirements in IFRS 15 to be accounted for as a sale. **Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to IFRS 16)** requires a seller-lessee to subsequently measure lease liabilities arising from a leaseback in a way that it does not recognize any amount of the gain or loss that relates to the right of use it retains. The new requirements do not prevent a seller-lessee from recognizing in profit or loss any gain or loss relating to the partial or full termination of a lease. The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024. Earlier application is permitted.

On October 2022, IASB has published “**Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (Amendments to IAS 1)**” to clarify how conditions with which an entity must comply within twelve months after the reporting period affect the classification of a liability. According to the amendment, only covenants with which an entity is required to comply on or before the reporting date affect the classification of a liability as current or non-current. In addition, an entity has to disclose information in the notes that enables users of financial statements to understand the risk that non-current liabilities with covenants could become repayable within twelve months. The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2024.

IFRS 10 “Consolidated Financial Statements” and IAS 28 (amendments) Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture – The amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 deal with situations where there is a sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. Specifically, the amendments state that gains or losses resulting from the loss of control of a subsidiary that does not contain a business in a transaction with an associate or a joint venture that is accounted for using the equity method, are recognized in the parent’s profit or loss only to the extent of the unrelated investors’ interests in that associate or joint venture.

Similarly, gains and losses resulting from the remeasurement of investments retained in any former subsidiary (that has become an associate or a joint venture that is accounted for using the equity method) to fair value are recognized in the former parent’s profit or loss only to the extent of the unrelated investors’ interests in the new associate or joint venture. The effective date of the amendments has yet to be set by the IASB; however, earlier application of the amendments is permitted.

Unless otherwise indicated these standards are not expected to have a significant effect on the financial statement of the Company.