

SKFH Third Quarter 2019 Results Conference Call

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INTRODUCTION

Stan Lee:

Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen.

Welcome again for joining the Shin Kong Financial Holding 2019 Third Quarter analyst call. Before we start, I would like to introduce my colleagues who are with me today.

- We are happy to have Sunny Hsu, Executive Senior Vice President of the Financial Holding Company, to review the third quarter results with us.
- Also in the room are James Yuan, Chief Investment Officer of Shin Kong Life; Han-Wei Lin, Chief Actuary of Shin Kong Life; Isabella and Christine, members of the IR team.

The presentation we are about to go through was sent out 2 hours ago. You may also download it from our website or participate through webcast. If you do not have the presentation, please let us know now.

PRESENTATION

Stan Lee:

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SKFH continued its positive momentum in the first nine months 2019, reporting a consolidated after-tax profit of NT\$19.06bn. Consolidated total comprehensive income reached NT\$43.74bn, NT\$45.11bn higher year-on-year, compared with a loss of NT\$1.37bn a year earlier. Earnings per share was NT\$1.55. Consolidated shareholders' equity increased 32.9% year-to-date to NT\$192.18bn, and book value per share at the end of September was NT\$15.17.

Core business of each subsidiary remained stable in the third quarter, which will be covered later in the presentation.

Page 10 Page 10 – FYP for the first nine months 2019 increased 0.4% year-on-year to NT\$84.22bn, securing a market share of 8.4%. Shin Kong Life has been



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actively promoting foreign currency policies to contain the hedging cost, facilitate ALM matching, and grow value of new business. FYP of such policies for the first nine months grew 21.3% year-on-year to NT\$55.96bn. The improved product mix led to a year-on-year increase of 8.2% in VNB.

In addition, annualized cost of liabilities declined 4 basis points quarter-on-quarter to 4.00%, in line with our guidance.

- Page 13 Page 13 presents the overall view of Shin Kong Life's investment portfolio. Annualized investment return for the first nine months 2019 reached 4.33%, thanks to higher recurring income and properly controlled hedging cost. Breakdown of investment returns for different asset classes were: real estate 3.2%, mortgage and corporate loans 4.3%, policy loans 5.6%, overseas investment 3.9%, domestic securities 7.3%, and cash 0.8%.
- Page 14 Page 14 presents the portfolio of overseas fixed incomes. At the end of the third quarter, overseas fixed incomes amounted to NT\$1.79 trillion. Corporate bonds accounted for the largest share, representing 46.2% of the total, followed by international bonds at 30.3%. Emerging market government bonds accounted for 22.7% at quarter end.

You may see the chart of the overseas fixed income portfolio by region on the upper-right corner. North America and Europe accounted for the majority of overseas fixed incomes, with a combined share of 59.8%.

Page 16 – The pie chart on the left-hand side shows the mix of hedging instruments. At the end of the third quarter, hedging ratio was 74.1%, including CS, NDF, and the naturally-hedged foreign currency policies. CS and NDF accounted for 69% and 31%, respectively, of traditional hedges.

Among fluctuations in foreign exchange, annualized hedging cost for the first nine months was well controlled at 1.50%. Foreign currency volatility reserve reached NT\$8.4bn, up by NT\$3.6bn year-to-date.

I will now hand over to Isabella who will take you through the results of Shin Kong Bank and MasterLink Securities.

Isabella Wang:

Page 20 Thank you, Stan. Please turn to page 20.

Shin Kong Bank delivered a stable performance for the first nine months 2019. Its net fee income grew 10.0% year-on-year to NT\$2.62bn on the back of growth in wealth management business. Pre-provision profit grew 5.4% year-on-year to NT\$6.01bn, and consolidated after-tax profit was NT\$4.09bn, up 4.9% year-on-year.



- Page 21 Page 21 The bank's loan balance rose 3.3% year-to-date to NT\$585.71bn. Consumer lending maintained an upward trend with mortgage and unsecured loans increasing 3.8% and 4.3% year-to-date, respectively. As for corporate lending, the momentum mainly came from domestic large corporate and overseas syndicated loans. The loan growth target for 2019 remains unchanged at 6%.
- Page 22 Due to fierce competition in the loan market and Fed's rate cuts, net interest spread for the third quarter came down by 2 basis points quarter-on-quarter to 1.80%. Net interest margin remained flat at 1.43%. Given the ongoing competition in the loan market, the bank expected the full-year figures to fall below the level of 2018.
- Page 24 Page 24 Positive market sentiments have helped to create sales momentum, driving up fee income from mutual funds and overseas securities by 23.2% and 32.2% year-on-year, respectively. Wealth management income for the first nine months grew 18.5% year-on-year to NT\$1.88bn. As for product strategy, mutual funds and overseas securities are expected to draw more attention from clients in the fourth quarter; meanwhile Shin Kong Bank will promote foreign currency policies and regular-paid products. The growth target for wealth management income in 2019 is double digit.
- Page 25 Asset quality was stable with NPL ratio at 0.20% and coverage ratio at 635.07%. New NPL generated in the third quarter was NT\$385mn, down by NT\$165mn compared to the previous quarter.
- Page 27 MasterLink Securities recorded an after-tax profit of NT\$1.30bn, up 31.1% year-on-year. Brokerage market share was 3.69%, with a ranking of top 6 in the industry. Proprietary trading income grew 50.5% year-on-year to NT\$2.13bn, driven by the increased disposal gains from equities and fixed incomes.

This is the end of our results presentation. Moderator, please start the Q&A session.

Q&A SESSION

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