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Deutsche Pfandbriefbank Group

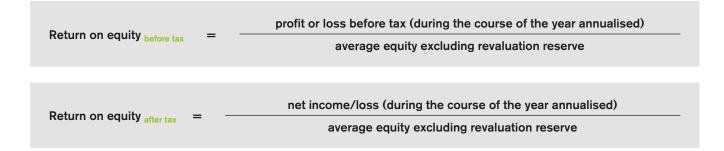
The consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2017 are based on the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted in European law by the European Commission as part of its endorsement process. Please refer to the Notes to the consolidated financial statements for further information on the accounting and measurement principles.

Definitions and Usefulness

RETURN ON EQUITY

Definition

Within Deutsche Pfandbriefbank Group (pbb Group), return on equity before tax (after tax) is the ratio of profit or loss before tax (net income/loss) (annualised during the course of the year) and average equity excluding revaluation reserve.



During the course of the year, the annualised profit or loss before tax (net income/loss) is based on the current figure (before/after tax) as disclosed according to IFRS, divided by the number of months elapsed and multiplied by the factor 12.

Average equity excluding revaluation reserve is the arithmetic mean based on the equity value according to IFRS excluding revaluation reserve at the beginning of the year and the equity values according to IFRS excluding revaluation reserve as disclosed at the quarterly reporting dates of the current financial year. Equity excluding revaluation reserve comprises the following items: subscribed capital, additional paid-in capital, retained earnings, profit/loss on pension commitments and consolidated profit.

Coverage ratio

Usefulness

pbb Group uses return on equity before (after) tax as most important key performance indicator (KPI) to measure profitability. Return on equity after tax is another KPI used in the internal management system.

However, the informative value of the respective KPI is limited by the fact that they represent rates (quota). Therefore, they do not provide information (and cannot be used to draw conclusions) on the absolute amount of profit or loss before tax (or net income/loss) or average equity excluding revaluation reserve. In addition, annualised projections of profit or loss before tax (or net income/loss) provided during the course of the year may be inaccurate due to the linear extrapolation method. Moreover, non-recurring effects may have an influence on return on equity before and after tax without any long-term repercussions on pbb Group's profitability.

COST-INCOME RATIO

Definition

Cost-income ratio is the ratio of general and administrative expenses to operating income.

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Cost-income r	ratio	=	operating income

Usefulness

Cost-income ratio is used within pbb Group as most important key indicator to monitor cost discipline and efficiency, and is defined as KPI in the internal management system.

However, the informative value of the cost-income ratio is limited by the fact that it represents a rate (quota). Therefore, it does not provide information (and cannot be used to draw conclusions) on the absolute amount of general and administrative expenses or operating income. Non-recurring effects may have an influence on the cost-income ratio through income and expenses without any long-term repercussions on pbb Group's efficiency.

COVERAGE RATIO

Definition

Coverage ratio is defined as the ratio of specific allowances on loans and advances to the gross carrying amounts for which specific allowances have been recognised.

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Usefulness

pbb Group uses the coverage ratio as a key indicator to measure coverage of loans and advances for which specific allowances have been recognised.

However, the informative value of the coverage ratio is limited by the fact that it represents a rate (quota). Therefore, it does not provide information (and cannot be used to draw conclusions) on the absolute amount of specific allowances or the gross carrying amounts of loans and advance for which specific allowances have been recognised. Received collateral is not taken into consideration in this calculation. Furthermore, the coverage ratio cannot be used to draw conclusions regarding the coverage of items for which no specific allowances have been recognised. Moreover, the coverage ratio cannot be used to draw conclusions regarding impairment losses pbb Group might be required to recognise in future.

FINANCING VOLUMES

Definition

Financing volume is the notional amount of the drawn parts of granted loans and the securities portfolio (customer business). The financing volume includes loans and advances to other banks, loans and advances to customers as well as financial investments.

The average financing volume is the arithmetic mean based on the value at the beginning of the year and the values at the quarterly reporting dates of the current financial year.

Usefulness

The financing volumes of the strategic segments Real Estate Finance and Public Investment Finance are defined as financial KPIs in the internal management system. pbb Group does not generate new business in the non-strategic Value Portfolio segment, and the financing volume of this segment declines continuously. The financing volume is a significant factor influencing the future earning power of pbb Group, since it represents the interest-bearing part of active customer business.

New business volume, as well as repayments, are the main drivers for the financing volume. However, new business volume provides only a limited basis from which to draw conclusions regarding financing volume amounts, since pbb Group's influence on repayments is limited. In addition, financing volumes are subject to foreign exchange rate movements beyond pbb Group's sphere of influence.

Reconciliation Statements

RETURN ON EQUITY BEFORE TAX AND AFTER TAX

Return on equity reconciliation 1 January to 31 December 2017

in € million	1.1.2017	31.3.2017	30.6.2017	30.9.2017	31.12.2017
Equity	2,799	2,810	2,740	2,782	2,858
Less revaluation reserve	-8	20	3	2	-3
Equity excluding revaluation reserve	2,791	2,830	2,743	2,784	2,855
Calculation					1.1. - 31.12.2017
Profit or loss before tax					204
Net income/loss					182
Average equity excluding revaluation reserve					2,801
Return on equity before tax (in %)					7.3
Return on equity after tax (in %)					6.5

Return on equity reconciliation 1 January to 31 December 2016

in € million	1.1.2016	31.3.2016	30.6.2016	30.9.2016	31.12.2016
Equity	2,746	2,754	2,687	2,799	2,799
Less revaluation reserve	-83	-66	-39	-39	-8
Equity excluding revaluation reserve	2,663	2,688	2,648	2,760	2,791
Calculation					1.1.– 31.12.2016
Profit or loss before tax					301
Net income/loss					197
Average equity excluding revaluation reserve					2,710
Return on equity before tax (in %)					11.1
Return on equity after tax (in %)					7.3

In the third quarter 2016 there were non-recurring effects of $\[ifnger]$ 132 million before taxes (thereof $\[ifnger]$ 123 million in net income from financial investments and $\[ifnger]$ 9 million in loan loss provisions) and $\[ifnger]$ 109 million after taxes resulting from the reversal of value adjustments for Heta Asset Resolution AG (Heta). Excluding these non-recurring effects equity excluding revaluation reserve would amount to $\[ifnger]$ 2,651 million as of 30 September 2016 and to $\[ifnger]$ 2,682 million as of 31 December 2016. Consequently for 2016 return on equity before tax would amount to 6.3% and return on equity after tax to 3.3% at an average equity excluding revaluation reserve of $\[ifnger]$ 2,666 million.

COST-INCOME RATIO

Cost-income ratio calculation

in € million	1.131.12.2017	1.131.12.2016
General and administrative expenses	216	198
Operating income	424	508
Cost-income ratio (in %)	50.9	39.0

Excluding Heta effects of €123 million disclosed in net income from financial investments, operating income was €385 million, and the cost-income ratio stood at 51.4% in the financial year 2016.

COVERAGE RATIO

Coverage ratio calculation

in € million	31.12.2017	31.12.2016
Specific allowances	24	86
Gross carrying amount of impaired loans and advances	204	336
Coverage ratio (in %)	12	26

AVERAGE FINANCING VOLUMES

Average financing volumes reconciliation

in € billion	1.1.2017	31.3.2017	30.6.2017	30.9.2017	31.12.2017	Annual average 2017
Financing volumes Real Estate Finance (REF)	24.1	24.1	24.4	24.6	24.9	24.4
Financing volumes Public Investment Finance (PIF)	7.4	7.7	7.6	7.2	7.0	7.4
Strategic financing volumes (REF and PIF)	31.5	31.8	32.0	31.8	31.9	31.8
Financing volumes Value Portfolio (VP)	15.8	15.5	14.6	14.2	13.8	14.8
Financing volumes total	47.3	47.3	46.6	46.0	45.7	46.6

in € billion	1.1.2016	.2016 31.3.2016	30.6.2016	16 30.9.2016	31.12.2016	Annual average 2016
Financing volumes Real Estate Finance (REF)	24.0	24.1	24.0	24.0	24.1	24.0
Financing volumes Public Investment Finance (PIF)	7.3	7.3	7.3	7.2	7.4	7.3
Strategic financing volumes (REF and PIF)	31.3	31.4	31.3	31.2	31.5	31.3
Financing volumes Value Portfolio (VP)	18.7	17.9	17.4	16.6	15.8	17.3
Financing volumes total	50.0	49.3	48.7	47.8	47.3	48.6

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The financial statements as at 31 December 2016 were prepared in accordance with the provisions of the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch – "HGB"). Please refer to the notes to the financial statements for further information on the accounting and measurement principles.

Definitions and Usefulness

DEVELOPMENT IN EARNINGS

Definition

By way of derogation from the structure provided for income statements in form 1 of the German Ordinance on the Accounting of Credit Institutions and Financial Services Institutions (Verordnung über die Rechnungslegung der Kreditinstitute und Finanzdienstleistungsinstitute – "RechKredV"), Deutsche Pfandbriefbank AG (pbb) discloses aggregated income and expense items in the Development in Earnings section of the combined management report.

Usefulness

With the aggregation of income and expense items in the income statement, pbb intends to convey background information to the readers of the combined management report in a more transparent and comprehensible way, compared to the standardised approach provided in form 1 of the Rech-KredV. In addition, the disclosure of income statement is based on the consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS.

Although the disclosure of development in earnings according to HGB (pbb) and IFRS (pbb Group) may look very similar for many items, any comparisons or conclusions between the single-entity financial statements and the consolidated financial statements should be made with utmost care, and may not be appropriate since they are based on entirely different accounting standards. For instance, line items disclosed in the development in earnings section of both the single-entity as well as the consolidated financial statements may differ substantially.

Reconciliation Statements

RECONCILIATION FROM INCOME STATEMENT (RECHKREDV) TO DEVELOPMENT IN EARNINGS IN THE MANAGEMENT REPORT

Reconciliation from income statement (RechKredV) to development in earnings in the Combined Management Report

in € million	2017	2017
Net interest income	484	373
Interest income from	2,938	3,849
a) lending and money market business	2,524	3,381
b) fixed-income and government-inscribed debt	414	468
Interest expenses	-2,476	-3,476
Current income from	22	-
a) equity shares and other variable-yield securities	-	-
b) participating interests	_	-
c) investments in associated companies	22	-
Net fee and commission income	8	8
Commission income	11	10
Commission expenses	-3	-2
Net other operating income	18	5
Other operating income	63	55
Other operating expenses	-45	-50
Net operating income	510	386
General and administrative expenses	-240	- 207
Staff expenses	-122	-108
a) wages and salaries	-100	-86
b) social security contributions and expenses for pensions and other employee benefits	-22	-22
Non-staff expenses	-118	-99
a) other administrative expenses	-114	-95
b) amortisation/depreciation and write-downs of intangible and tangible assets	-4	-4
Operating results (before loan loss provisions)	270	179
Risk provisioning	9	53
Write-downs of claims and certain securities as well as additions to provisions in the lending business		-
Income from write-ups of claims and certain securities as well as reversals of provisions in the lending business	9	53
Net income from financial investments	-5	86
Write-downs and impairments to participating interests, investments in associated companies and securities treated as fixed assets	-2	-
Income from write-ups of participating interests, investments in associated companies and securities treated as fixed assets		93
Income from profit pooling, profit transfer or partial profit transfer agreements		_
Expenses from assumption of losses	-3	-7
Additions to the fund for general banking risks		_
Operating results	274	318
Extraordinary result	3	-6
Extraordinary income	3	2
Extraordinary expenses		-8
Profit or loss before tax (carryover)	277	312
Profit or loss before tax (carryover)	277	312
Taxes	-40	-60
Income taxes	-40	-59
Other tax unless reported under "other operating expenses"	-	-1

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