OPEN JOINT-STOCK COMPANY MOSCOW EXCHANGE MICEX-RTS

Consolidated Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2012

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Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders and the Supervisory Board of Open Joint Stock Company "Moscow Exchange MICEX-RTS"

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Open Joint Stock Company "Moscow Exchange MICEX-RTS" and its subsidiaries, which comprise the consolidated income statement and consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year 2012, the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2012, and the consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year 2012, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Audited entity's responsibility for the consolidated financial statements

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

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the fairness of these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the federal standards on auditing effective in the Russian Federation and International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing audit procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The audit procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated 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 policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management of the audited entity, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

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

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Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Open Joint Stock Company "Moscow Exchange MICEX-RTS" and its subsidiaries as at 31 December 2012, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year 2012 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

E.V. Zaichikova Partner Ernst & Young Vneshaudit CJSC

1 April 2013

Details of the audited entity

Name: Open Joint Stock Company "Moscow Exchange MICEX-RTS" Information about the State Register of Legal Entities Concerning a Legal Entity: certificate on reorganization of the legal entity in the form of affilation 77 # 011824942 dated 19 December 2011, issued by Interregional Inspection #46 of Federal Tax Service in Moscow, Main State Registration Number 1027739387411. Address: 125009, 13, Bolshoy Kislovsky per., Moscow, Russia.

Details of the auditor

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Consolidated Income Statement for the Year Ended December 31, 2012

(in thousands of Russian rubles)

	Notes	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Fee and commission income	7	11 406 816	9 950 977
Interest and other finance income	8	10 343 418	6 592 118
Interest and one mance meane	0	(42 600)	(64 505)
Net (loss)/gain on financial assets available-for-sale	9	(650 732)	267 454
Foreign exchange gains less losses	10	383 174	124 995
Other operating income	11	106 893	76 986
Operating Income		21 546 969	16 948 025
Administrative and other operating expenses	12	(4 582 420)	(4 091 889)
Personnel expenses	13	(4 839 982)	(3 597 691)
Operating Profit		12 124 567	9 258 445
Interest expense in respect of written put option over own shares		(1 529 566)	(734 545)
Share of profits of associates	21	59 179	47 808
Dividends received			6 587
Profit before Tax		10 654 180	8 578 295
Income tax expense	14	(2 453 851)	(1 881 531)
Net Profit		8 200 329	6 696 764
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent		8 207 741	6 699 931
Non-controlling interest		(7 412)	(3 167)
Earnings per share			
Basic earnings per share, rubles	31	3,86	3,14
Diluted earnings per share, rubles	31	3.85	3.14

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Chairman of the Executive Board Afanasiev A.K.

April 1, 2013 Moscow

Chief Financial Officer Fetisov E.E.

April 1, 2013 Moscow

The notes on pages 11-54 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended December 31, 2012

(in thousands of Russian rubles)

	Notes	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Net profit		8 200 329	6 696 764
Other comprehensive gain/(loss):			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(74 477)	87 852
Net loss resulting from revaluation of investments available-for-sale		(197 697)	(115 509)
Net loss/(gain) on investments available-for sale reclassified to			
profit or loss	9	650 732	(267 454)
Deferred income tax on items recorded in other comprehensive loss	14	(90 607)	76 593
Other comprehensive gain/(loss) after tax		287 951	(218 518)
Total comprehensive income		8 488 280	6 478 246
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the parent		8 519 115	6 434 276
Non-controlling interest		(30 835)	43 970
Total comprehensive income		8 488 280	6 478 246

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at December 31, 2012

(in thousands of Russian rubles)

	Notes	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	15	193 356 484	165 830 133
Financial assets at fair value though profit or loss	15	18 025 839	47 258 767
Due from financial institutions	10	13 726 867	22 246 437
Central counterparty financial assets	18	2 823 444	2 638 858
Investments avaliable-for-sale	18	56 674 522	2 038 838 29 830 443
	21	728 654	29 830 443 670 101
Investments in associates			
Investments held-to-maturity	20	529 842	692 266
Property and equipment	22	6 355 233	5 722 745
Intangible assets	23	19 463 776	19 970 281
Goodwill	24	16 066 094	16 072 302
Current tax prepayments		535 032	520 397
Deferred tax asset	14	103 178	246 983
Other assets	25	715 130	1 501 966
TOTAL ASSETS		329 104 095	313 201 679
LIABILITIES Balances of market participants	26	246 990 385	245 435 510
	20		
Written put option over own shares	10	23 318 767	21 789 201
Central counterparty financial liabilities	18	2 823 444	2 638 858
Distributions payable to holders of securities	25	4 436 856	2 680 832
Loans payable	27	20 243	2 561 105
Deferred tax liability	14	3 884 784	4 230 362
Current tax payables		161 022	165 910
Liabilities to repurchase own shares		-	2 738 315
Other liabilities	28	2 393 192	1 664 888
TOTAL LIABILITIES		284 028 693	283 904 981
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EQUITY: Share capital	29	2 416 918	2 416 918
	29 29	27 403 927	2410918
Share premium			
Treasury shares	29	(2 860 714)	(7 424 768)
Foreign currency translation reserve		(10 321)	40 733
Investments revaluation reserve		(1 951)	(364 379)
Share-based payments		179 166	-
Written put option over own shares	6	(21 054 656)	(21 054 656)
Retained earnings	30	38 674 893	31 149 729
Total equity attributable to owners of the parent		44 747 262	28 910 651
Non-controlling interest		328 140	386 047
TOTAL EQUITY		45 075 402	29 296 698
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		329 104 095	313 201 679

The notes on pages 11-54 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended December 31, 2012

(in thousands of Russian rubles)

	Notes	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
CASH FLOWS FROM / (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Profit before tax		10 654 180	8 578 295
Adjustments for:			
Interest expense on written put option on own shares		1 529 566	734 545
Depreciation and amortization charge	12	1 535 533	1 050 744
Loss on disposal of investments available-for-sale	9	650 732	306 885
Fair value adjustment on financial assets at fair value through		(401 505)	000 050
profit or loss		(491 527)	803 079
Unrealized loss/(gain) on foreign exchange operations		316 009	(3 326)
Net change in interest accruals		259 880	(1 286 049)
Share-based payment expense		179 166	-
Net loss/(gain) on disposal of property and equipment and		04.404	(10.570)
intangible assets	11, 12	94 486	(12 573)
Share of profits of associates		(59 179)	(47 808)
Other provisions		51 504	(52 203)
Gain from revaluation of previously held equity interest in the acquiree			(558 613)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Due from financial institutions		8 438 867	15 383 272
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		29 089 790	(15 084 609)
Central counterparty financial assets		(184 586)	1 467 537
Other assets		774 583	(755 338)
Balances of market participants		5 542 001	22 763 321
Central counterparty financial liabilities		184 586	(1 467 537)
Distributions payable to holders of securities		1 756 024	(312 188)
Other liabilities		717 187	(1 235 341)
Cash flows from operating activities before taxation		61 038 802	30 272 093
Income tax paid		(2 766 391)	(2 283 866)
Cash flows from operating activities		58 272 411	27 988 227
CASH FLOWS FROM / (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Purchase of investments available-for-sale		(52 896 467)	(49 152 980)
Proceeds from disposal of investments available-for-sale		25 330 207	27 980 493
Proceeds from redemption of investments held-to-maturity		582 245	839 241
Purchase of property and equipment and intangible assets		(1 810 253)	(588 585)
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment and intangible assets		38 745	42 724
Purchase of investments in associates		(2 214)	(342 272)
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired		(2 214)	(1 465 002)
Purchase of investments held-to-maturity		_	(26 183)
Cash flows used in investing activities		(28 757 737)	(22 712 564)

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (Continued)

(in thousands of Russian rubles)

	Notes	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
CASH FLOWS FROM / (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Sale of treasury shares		9 625 947	-
Acquisition of treasury shares		(4 543 355)	(4 686 453)
Loans (repaid)/received		(2 487 172)	1 188 296
Dividends paid		(682 856)	(1 258 061)
Acquisition of non-controlling interest in subsidiaries		(26 793)	(11 325)
Cash flows from / (used in) financing activities		1 885 771	(4 767 543)
Effect of changes in foreign exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(3 874 094)	4 859 441
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		27 526 351	5 367 561
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	15	165 830 133	160 462 572
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	15	193 356 484	165 830 133

Interest received by the Group during the year ended December 31, 2012, amounted to RUB 11 203 604 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 6 391 754 thousand).

Interest paid by the Group during the year ended December 31, 2012, amounted to RUB 54 864 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 52 241 thousand).

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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended December 31, 2012

(in thousands of Russian rubles)

	Notes	Share capital	Share premium	Treasury shares	Written put option over own shares		Share-based payments	Foreign currency translation reserve	Retained earnings	Total equity attributable to owners of the parent	Non- controlling interest	Total equity
December 31, 2010		1 574 654	4 998	_	-	(58 009)	_	18	25 367 828	26 889 489	882 727	27 772 216
Net profit		_	_	-	-	-	-	-	6 699 931	6 699 931	(3 167)	6 696 764
Other comprehensive income		_	_	_	_	(306 370)	_	40 715		(265 655)	47 137	(218 518)
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-	-	-	(306 370)	-	40 715	6 699 931	6 434 276	43 970	6 478 246
Transactions with owners Dividends declared and other distributions												
to shareholders	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1 257 929)	(1 257 929)	(132)	(1 258 061)
Reorganization of the Group	29	323 582	-	-	-	-	-	-	339 899	663 481	(674 806)	(11 325)
Dividends paid by own shares	29	162 678	(162 678)	_	-	-	_	-	-	_	_	_
Merger with RTS	6	356 004	24 304 754	_	(21 054 656)	-	—	-	_	3 606 102	134 288	3 740 390
Repurchase of own shares	29	_	_	(7 424 768)	_	_	_	_	-	(7 424 768)	_	(7 424 768)
Total transactions with owners		842 264	24 142 076	(7 424 768)	(21 054 656)	-	-	-	(918 030)	(4 413 114)	(540 650)	(4 953 764)
December 31, 2011		2 416 918	24 147 074	(7 424 768)	(21 054 656)	(364 379)	-	40 733	31 149 729	28 910 651	386 047	29 296 698
Net profit Other comprehensive income		-	-	_	_	_ 362 428		(51 054)	8 207 741	8 207 741 311 374	(7 412) (23 423)	8 200 329 287 951
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	_	_	-	362 428	-	(51 054)	8 207 741	8 519 115	(30 835)	8 488 280
Transactions with owners Dividends declared	30	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(682 856)	(682 856)	_	(682 856)
Shares issued	50	_	3 256 853	6 369 094	_	_	_	_	(082 830)	9 625 947	_	9 625 947
Repurchase of own shares		_	5 250 855	$(1\ 805\ 040)$	_	_	_	_	_	$(1\ 805\ 040)$	_	$(1\ 805\ 040)$
Share-based payments		_	_	(1 805 040)	_	_	179 166	_	_	179 166	_	(1 803 040) 179 166
Acquisition of non-controlling interest		_	_	_	_	_	-	_	279	279	(27 072)	(26 793)
Total transactions with owners		_	3 256 853	4 564 054	_	_	179 166	_	(682 577)	7 317 496	(27 072)	7 290 424
December 31, 2012		2 416 918	27 403 927	(2 860 714)	(21 054 656)	(1 951)	179 166	(10 321)	38 674 893	44 747 262	328 140	45 075 402

The notes on pages 11-54 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

1. Organization

Open Joint-Stock Company Moscow Exchange MICEX-RTS (Moscow Exchange) is a stock exchange based in Moscow, Russian Federation. It was established as closed joint-stock company "Moscow Interbank Currency Exchange" (MICEX) in 1992. In December 2011 the company was reorganized into the form of open joint-stock company and renamed to Open Joint-Stock Company MICEX-RTS. In July 2012 the name of the company was changed to Open Joint-Stock Company Moscow Exchange MICEX-RTS.

The legal address of Moscow Exchange: 13 Bolshoy Kislovsky per., Moscow, the Russian Federation.

Moscow Exchange Group ("the Group") is an integrated exchange structure that provides financial market participants with a full set of competitive trading, clearing, settlement, depository and information services. The Group offers trading, clearing and settlement services on the following financial market segments: foreign currencies exchange market, government securities and money market, market of derivative financial instruments, equities market, corporate and regional bonds market, commodities market, government and municipal procurement market.

Moscow Exchange is the parent company of the Group, which includes the following entities:

	December 31,	December 31,
-		2011
Principal activities	Voting rights, %	Voting rights, %
Stock exchange operations	100%	99,998%
Depository, clearing and		
settlement services	99,997%	99,997%
Banking and clearing		
operations	100%	100%
Clearing services	100%	100%
Settlement services	100%	100%
Depository services	99,995%	97,76%
Commodity exchange		
operations	61,32%	61,32%
Technical support of		
exchange activities	100%	100%
Exchange activities	-	100%
Exchange activities	-	100%
Financial activities	100%	100%
Financial activities	100%	100%
IT services	100%	100%
IT services, operator of		
electronic trading platform	100%	100%
Stock exchange operations	50,02%	50,02%
	Depository, clearing and settlement services Banking and clearing operations Clearing services Settlement services Depository services Commodity exchange operations Technical support of exchange activities Exchange activities Exchange activities Financial activities Financial activities IT services IT services, operator of electronic trading platform	2012Principal activitiesVoting rights, %Stock exchange operations100%Depository, clearing and settlement services99,997%Banking and clearing operations100%Clearing services100%Settlement services100%Settlement services99,995%Commodity exchange61,32%Technical support of exchange activities-Exchange activities-Financial activities100%Financial activities100%IT services100%IT services, operator of electronic trading platform100%

MICEX SE provides services for Securities Market Sections of the Group.

NSD is the central securities depository of the Russian Federation. NSD is Russia's national numbering agency and the substitute numbering agency for the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), authorized to assign the international ISIN and CFI codes. The status of central securities depository was assigned to NSD by the Russian Federal Financial Markets Service (FSFM) on 6 November 2012. NSD holds a license for depository and clearing operations issued by the FSFM, and license for settlement operations issued by the Central Bank of the Russia (CBR).

NCC performs functions of a clearing organization and central counterparty in the financial market. NCC has a license for clearing activities issued by the FSFM.

E-Stock provide IT services to Moscow Exchange clients.

1. Organization (continued)

MICEX-IT is an operator of the online procurement platform (state and corporate purchases) – one of five procurement platforms determined by the Economic Development Ministry of the Russian Federation and Federal Antimonopoly Service as the national electronic auction marketplace for state and municipal procurement.

PFTS SE is a stock exchange, which has a stock exchange license in Ukraine and facilitates spot trading.

MICEX Finance and MICEX (CYPRUS) LTD are established for facilitating financial activities of the Group.

Until December 2012 CC RTS provided clearing services for Derivatives Market and Securities Market ("Standard" sector) Sections of the Group. In the end of 2012 this line of business was transferred to NCC. The Group is now considering possible functions for CC RTS in the future. CC RTS has a license to perform clearing activities issued by the FSFM.

In 2012 SC RTS provided settlement services to trading participants. SC RTS is a non-banking credit institution. In the second half of 2012 this line of business was transferred to NSD. In March 2013 the Management Board decided to sell SC RTS and initiated a tender to locate a buyer. SC RTS has a licence to perform settlement services issued by the CBR.

DCC provides depository, clearing and settlement services. In the end of 2012 this line of business was transferred to NSD. The Group is now considering possible functions for DCC in the future. DCC has licenses to perform depository and clearing activities issued by the FSFM.

TechCenter provides information and technical services to Moscow Exchange clients.

ETS is a commodity exchange, which has a license in Kazakhstan for organisation of trading in commodities.

MICEX – Ural Region and MICEX – Volga Region were liquidated in October 2012. All assets and liabilities were transferred to Moscow Exchange.

Moscow Exchange and all subsidiaries are located in Russia, except for ETS, PFTS SE and MICEX (CYPRUS) LTD. ETS is located in Kazakhstan, PFTS SE is located in Ukraine and MICEX (CYPRUS) LTD is registered in Cyprus.

The Group has 1 648 employees as at December 31, 2012 (December 31, 2011: 1 752 employees).

As at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the following shareholders owned voting shares of Moscow Exchange:

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
	%	%
The CBR	24,33	21,60
NSD (nominee holder)	34,65	16,05
Sberbank of Russia	10,36	5,67
State Corporation Bank of development and external economic activity		
(Vnesheconombank)	8,71	7,95
CJSC Depository Clearing Company (nominee holder)	-	10,94
CJSC UniCredit Bank	6,18	8,75
JSC VTB Bank	6,05	5,35
OJSC Gazprombank	-	4,78
Other	9,73	18,91
Total	100,00	100,00

1. Organization (continued)

Entities controlled by the Russian Federation together hold more than 50% (December 31, 2011: more than 40%) of voting shares of Moscow Exchange. Accordingly, the Russian Federation exercises control (December 31, 2011: significant influence) over Moscow Exchange.

The total number of market participants as at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, consists of:

	December 31, 2012 (unaudited)	December 31, 2011 (unaudited)
Securities market	733	773
Currency market	579	594
Money market	478	452
Government securities market	427	321
Derivatives Market	203	258

Clients of the Group must meet the qualitative and quantitative qualification requirements in order to obtain Exchange Member status and participate in trading directly. Due to these requirements the Client base primarily consists of professional market participants, namely banks and investment companies that have licences for professional market participation on appropriate markets and licences for broker, dealer and/or securities management activities and meet special requirements established by the Group. Other legal entities and individuals may participate in trading as customers of Exchange Members.

2. Basis of Presentation

Statement of compliance

These Consolidated Financial Statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

Basis of presentation

These Consolidated Financial Statements are presented in thousands of Russian rubles, unless otherwise indicated. These Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value.

Moscow Exchange and its subsidiaries registered in the Russian Federation maintain their accounting records in accordance with Russian Accounting Standards ("RAS"). Foreign subsidiaries of the Group maintain their accounting records in accordance with the accounting standards of the countries in which they operate. These Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared on basis of the statutory accounting records and have been adjusted to conform to IFRS.

Inflation accounting

The Russian economy was considered hyperinflationary until December 31, 2002. As such, the Group applied IAS 29 *Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies*. The effect of applying IAS 29 is that non-monetary items, including components of equity, were restated to the measuring units current at December 31, 2002 by applying the relevant inflation indices to the historical cost, and that these restated values were used as a basis for accounting in subsequent periods.

3. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis for consolidation

Subsidiaries, which are those entities in which the Group has an interest of more than one half of the voting rights, or otherwise has power to exercise control over their operations, are consolidated. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and are no longer consolidated from the date that control ceases. All intra-group transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated in full; unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Where necessary, accounting policies for subsidiaries have been changed to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a change of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction. Losses are attributed to the non-controlling interests even if that results in a deficit balance.

Business combinations

Acquisitions of businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred by the Group, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree, and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any) over the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. If, after reassessment, the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree (if any), the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

When a business combination is achieved in stages, the Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date (i.e. the date when the Group obtains control) and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognised in profit or loss. Amounts arising from interests in the acquiree prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss where such treatment would be appropriate if that interest were disposed of.

Goodwill

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a business is carried at cost as established at the date of acquisition of the business (see above) less accumulated impairment losses, if any.

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (or groups of cash-generating units) that is expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination.

A cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment at least annually, or more frequently when there is indication that the unit may be impaired. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than its carrying amount, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of the unit pro rata based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. Any impairment loss for goodwill is recognised directly in profit or loss in the Consolidated Income Statement. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in subsequent periods.

On disposal of the relevant cash-generating unit, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

The Group's policy for goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is described below.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Investments in associates

Associates are entities in which the Group generally has between 20% and 50% of the voting rights, or is otherwise able to exercise significant influence, but which it does not control or jointly control. Investments in associates are accounted for under the equity method and are initially recognised at cost, including goodwill. Subsequent changes in the carrying value reflect the post-acquisition changes in the Group's share of net assets of the associate. The Group's share of its associates' profits or losses is recognised in the Consolidated Income Statement, and its share of movements in reserves is recognised in other comprehensive income. However, when the Group's share of losses in an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless the Group is obliged to make further payments to, or on behalf of, the associate.

Unrealised gains on transactions between the Group and its associates are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associates; unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

Recognition of revenue

Commission income

Commissions are recognized when services are provided.

Recognition of interest income

Interest income is recognized on an accrual basis using the effective interest method. The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a financial asset and of allocating the interest income over the relevant period.

The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the debt instrument, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Once a financial asset has been written down as a result of impairment, interest income is thereafter recognized using the rate of interest used to discount future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss.

Interest earned on central counterparty financial assets is presented net of interest expense incurred in respect of the offsetting financial liabilities within gains or losses on financial assets carried at fair value.

Recognition of dividend income

Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date (provided that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the amount of income can be measured reliably).

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, unrestricted balances on correspondent and deposit accounts with banks with maturity up to one business day. Amounts that are subject to restrictions on their availability, including minimum reserve deposits with the CBR, are not included in cash and cash equivalents.

Financial assets

The Group recognizes financial assets and liabilities in its Consolidated Statement of Financial Position when it becomes a party to the contractual obligations of the instrument. Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets and liabilities are recognized using settlement date accounting.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

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 assets assets or financial assets assets or financial assets assets assets or financial assets assets or financial assets assets assets or financial assets assets assets assets assets assets assets assets as

Financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets 'at fair value through profit or loss' (FVTPL), 'held-to-maturity' investments (HTM), "available-for-sale" (AFS) financial assets and 'loans and receivables'. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets are classified as at FVTPL when the financial asset is held for trading.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- It has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term; or
- On initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial assets that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- It is a derivative that is not a designated and effective hedging instrument.

Financial assets at FVTPL are stated at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss incorporates any dividend earned on the financial asset. Fair value is determined in the manner described in Note 34.

Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturity dates that the Group has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity. HTM investments are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as 'loans and receivables'. Loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment. Interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate, except for short-term receivables when the recognition of interest would be immaterial.

Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are those non-derivative financial assets that are designated as available-forsale or are not classified in any of the three preceding categories. After initial recognition available-for sale financial assets are measured at fair value with gains or losses being recognised in other comprehensive income until the investment is derecognised or until the investment is determined to be impaired at which time the cumulative gain or loss previously reported in other comprehensive income is reclassified to the Consolidated Income Statement. However, interest calculated using the effective interest method is recognised in the Consolidated Income Statement.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those at FVTPL, are assessed for indicators of impairment at the end of each reporting period. Financial assets are considered to be impaired when there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the investment have been negatively affected.

For financial assets, objective evidence of impairment could include:

- Significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty; or
- Breach of contract, such as default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; or
- It becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation; or
- Disappearance of an active market for that financial asset as a result of financial difficulties.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of impairment loss recognised is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of loans, receivables and investments held-to-maturity, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. When a loan or a receivable is considered uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss.

Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset (or, where applicable a part of the financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognized where:

- Rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired;
- The Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or retained the right to receive cash flows from the asset, but has assumed an obligation to pay them in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement;
- The Group either (a) has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

After a transfer, the Group reassesses the extent to which it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership of the transferred asset.

If substantially all the risks and rewards have been neither retained nor transferred, the Group assesses whether or not it has retained control of the asset. If it has not retained control, the asset is derecognized. Where the Group retained control of the asset, it continues to recognise the asset to the extent of its continuing involvement.

Offsetting of financial assets

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position only when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liability simultaneously.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (Continued) (in thousands of Russian rubles, unless otherwise indicated)

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Central counterparty financial assets and liabilities

NCC acts as a central counterparty (CCP) and guarantees settlements of certain exchange transactions. Receivables and payables on such deals that may be offset against a clearing member are reported net in accordance with IAS 32 and are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position at the net fair value based on daily settlement prices.

Sales and purchases of securities and currency via the CCP are recognised and simultaneously derecognised at the settlement date.

For the products that are marked to market the Group recognises gains and losses on open positions of clearing members on each exchange day. The variation margin is used to settle gains and losses on open positions resulting from market price fluctuations on a daily basis. The variation margin does not comprise collateral as it is a daily offsetting of gains and losses in cash. Products that are marked to market are therefore not reported in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

Receivables and payables under repurchase transactions (repo) are classified as held for trading and carried at fair value.

Collateral of central counterparty

As the Group guarantees the settlement of certain traded contracts, it has established a multi-level collateral system. The central pillar of the collateral system is the daily determination of the overall risk per clearing member (margin) to be covered by cash and securities collateral.

Securities collateral is not derecognised by the clearing member providing the collateral. As the transfer of securities does not meet the conditions for derecognition, the securities are not recognised as assets.

In addition to these daily collateral payments, clearing members of Derivatives Market and Securities Market ("Standard" sector) Sections must make contributions to the risk-covering fund which is described in Note 26.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued

Classification as debt or equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

Equity instruments

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

Repurchase of the Group's own equity instruments is recognized directly in equity. No gain or loss is recognized in profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Group's own equity instruments.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities "at FVTPL" or "other financial liabilities".

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities classified as "at FVTPL" include CCP financial liabilities and certain derivatives.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 (Continued) (in thousands of Russian rubles, unless otherwise indicated)

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued (continued)

Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities, including banks deposits and balances of market participants, loans payable, distributions payable to holders of securities and other liabilities, are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognised on an effective yield basis.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments through the expected life of the financial liability, or (where appropriate) a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Distributions payable to holders of securities comprise dividends and coupon amounts received by the Group from the issuers of securities on behalf of customers of the Group, for which the Group also provides depository services. The normal settlement period for distribution of dividends and coupon amounts to its customers is five days. Amounts of dividends and coupons payable to clients are stated at their contractual values.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire. Where an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognized and the consideration paid and payable is recognized in profit and loss.

Property and equipment

Property and equipment is carried at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of assets (other than freehold land and properties under construction) less their residual values over their useful lives, using the straight-line method. 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 at the following annual rates:

Buildings and other real estate	2%
Furniture and equipment	20%

Freehold land is not depreciated.

An item of property and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired separately

Intangible assets with finite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is recognised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives at the annual rates of 10%-25%. The estimated useful life and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination and recognised separately from goodwill are initially recognised at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost).

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately. Amortisation is recognised on a straight-line basis at the annual rate of 4%. The estimated useful life and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis.

Internally developed intangible assets

Development costs that are directly associated with the production of identifiable and unique software products controlled by the Group are capitalised and an internally generated intangible asset is recognised only if it is probable that it will generate economic benefits exceeding costs beyond one year and the development costs can be measured reliably. An internally generated intangible asset is recognised only if the Group has the technical feasibility, resources and intention to complete the development and to use the product. Direct costs include software development employee costs and an appropriate portion of relevant overheads. Expenditure on research activities is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

Subsequent expenditure on intangible assets is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates.

Derecognition of intangible assets

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

Impairment of tangible and intangible assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets 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). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Intangible assets (continued)

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell 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 for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or a cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is 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 (or a cash-generating unit) 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 recognised for the asset (or a cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, 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.

Taxation

Current income tax

Current income tax assets and liabilities for the current period are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted, at the reporting date in the countries where the Group operates and generates taxable income.

Management periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

Deferred tax

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

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

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

Operating taxes

Countries where the Group operates also have various other taxes, which are assessed on the Group's activities. These taxes are included as a component of operating expenses in the Consolidated Income Statement.

Share-based payments

Employees (including senior executives) of the Group receive remuneration in the form of share-based payments, whereby employees render services as consideration for equity instruments (equity-settled transactions).

The cost of equity-settled transactions is recognised, together with a corresponding increase in equity within Share-based payments reserve, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Share-based payments (continued)

The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at each reporting date until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The income statement expense or credit for a period represents the movement in cumulative expense recognised as at the beginning and end of that period and is recognised in employee benefits expense (Note 13).

Contingencies

Contingent liabilities are not recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position but are disclosed unless the possibility of any outflow in settlement is remote. A contingent asset is not recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position but disclosed when an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

Fiduciary activities

The Group provides custodial services to its customers which include transactions with securities on their custody accounts. Assets accepted and liabilities incurred under the fiduciary activities are not included in the Group's Consolidated Financial Statements. The Group accepts the operational risk on these activities, but the Group's customers bear the credit and market risks associated with such operations. Revenue for provision of fiduciary services is recognized as services are provided.

Foreign currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual Group entity, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recognised at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

For the purposes of presenting Consolidated Financial Statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated into RUB using exchange rates prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity (attributed to non-controlling interest as appropriate).

Goodwill and fair value adjustments on identifiable assets and liabilities acquired arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Exchange differences arising are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Earnings per share

The Group presents basic and diluted earnings per share (EPS) data for its ordinary shares. Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Group by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding outstanding or the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of a Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses (including revenues and expenses relating to transactions with other components of the same Group); whose operating and financial results are regularly reviewed by the chief operating decision maker to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available. As at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the Group comprised a single operating segment.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Adoption of new and revised standards

In the current period, the Group has adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the IASB and IFRIC of the IASB that are relevant to its operations and effective for reporting periods ending on December 31, 2012.

The adoption of these new and revised Standards and Interpretations has not resulted in significant changes to the Group's accounting policies that have affected the amounts reported for the current or prior years.

Amendments resulting from Improvements to IFRSs to the following standards did not have any impact on the accounting policies, financial position or performance of the Group:

Amendments to IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures

The Amendments were issued in October 2010 and are effective for annual periods beginning on or after July 1, 2011. The amendment requires additional disclosure about financial assets that have been transferred but not derecognised to enable the user of the Group's financial statements to understand the relationship with those assets that have not been derecognised and their associated liabilities. In addition, the amendment requires disclosures about continuing involvement in derecognised assets to enable the user to evaluate the nature of, and risks associated with, the entity's continuing involvement in those derecognised assets.

Amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes – Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets

In December 2010 the IASB issued amendments to IAS 12 effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2012. The amendment clarified the determination of deferred tax on investment property measured at fair value. The amendment introduces a rebuttable presumption that deferred tax on investment property measured using the fair value model in IAS 40 should be determined on the basis that its carrying amount will be recovered through sale. Furthermore, it introduces the requirement that deferred tax on non-depreciable assets that are measured using the revaluation model in IAS 16 always be measured on a sale basis of the asset.

New and revised IFRSs in issue but not yet effective

Standards issued but not yet effective up to the date of issuance of the Group's financial statements are listed below. This listing of standards and interpretations issued are those that the Group reasonably expects to have an impact on disclosures, financial position or performance when applied at a future date. The Group intends to adopt these standards when they become effective.

Amendments to IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation – Guidance on Offsetting Financial Assets and Liabilities and Amendments to IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures – Disclosures on Offsetting Financial Assets and Liabilities

In December 2011, the IASB issued amendments to its current guidance in IAS 32 on offsetting financial assets and liabilities and has introduced new disclosure requirements in IFRS 7. The amendments to IFRS 7 are to be retrospectively applied for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013 and the amendments to IAS 32 are to be retrospectively applied for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2014. Earlier application is permitted. The amendments to IAS 32 now clarify that rights to set-off must not only be legally enforceable in the normal course of business, but must also be enforceable in the event of default, bankruptcy or insolvency of all the counterparties to the contract. The amendments to IAS 32 also clarify that rights of set-off must not be contingent on a future event. The amendments to IAS 32 also clarify the offsetting criteria that the reporting entity is required to intend either to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The amendments to IFRS 7 require the reporting entity to disclose information about rights of set-off and related arrangements for all recognized financial instruments that are set off in accordance with IAS 32. The Group now evaluates the impact of the adoption of new amendments and considers the initial application date.

IAS 1 Financial Statement Presentation – Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income

The amendments to IAS 1 change the grouping of items presented in OCI. Items that could be reclassified (or "recycled") to profit or loss at a future point in time (for example, upon derecognition or settlement) would be presented separately from items that will never be reclassified. The amendment affects presentation only and has there no impact on the Group's financial position or performance. The amendment becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after July 1, 2012.

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3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

New and revised IFRSs in issue but not yet effective (continued)

Amendments to IAS 19 Employee Benefits

The IASB has published amendments to IAS 19 *Employee Benefits*, effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013, which proposes major changes to the accounting for employee benefits, including the removal of the option for deferred recognition of changes in pension plan assets and liabilities (known as the "corridor approach"). In addition, these amendments will limit the changes in the net pension asset (liability) recognised in profit or loss to net interest income (expense) and service costs. The Group expects that these amendments will have no impact on the Group's financial position.

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments: Classification and Measurement

IFRS 9 as issued reflects the first phase of the IASBs work on the replacement of IAS 39 and applies to classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities as defined in IAS 39. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2015. In subsequent phases, the IASB will address hedge accounting and impairment of financial assets. The adoption of the first phase of IFRS 9 will have an effect on the classification and measurement of the Group's financial assets, but will potentially have no impact on classification and measurements of financial liabilities. The Group will quantify the effect in conjunction with the other phases, when issued, to present a comprehensive picture.

IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements

IFRS 10 replaces the portion of IAS 27 *Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements* that addresses the accounting for consolidated financial statements. It also includes the issues raised in SIC-12 *Consolidation – Special Purpose Entities*. IFRS 10 establishes a single control model that applies to all entities including special purpose entities. The changes introduced by IFRS 10 will require management to exercise significant judgement to determine which entities are controlled, and therefore, are required to be consolidated by a parent, compared with the requirements that were in IAS 27. This standard becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013.

IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements

IFRS 11 removes the option to account for jointly controlled entities (JCEs) using proportionate consolidation. Instead, JCEs that meet the definition of a joint venture must be accounted for using the equity method. IFRS 11 supersedes IAS 31 *Interests in Joint Ventures* and SIC-13 *Jointly Controlled Entities – Non-monetary Contributions by Venturers* and is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013. Earlier application is permitted. The Group expects that adoption of IFRS 11 will have no effect on its financial position and performance.

IFRS 12 Disclosure of Involvement with Other Entities

IFRS 12 includes all of the disclosures that were previously in IAS 27 related to consolidated financial statements, as well as all of the disclosures that were previously included in IAS 31 and IAS 28. These disclosures relate to an entity's interests in subsidiaries, joint arrangements, associates and structured entities. A number of new disclosures are also required. This standard becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013.

IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement

IFRS 13 establishes a single source of guidance under IFRS for all fair value measurements. IFRS 13 does not change when an entity is required to use fair value, but rather provides guidance on how to measure fair value under IFRS when fair value is required or permitted. The Group is currently assessing the impact that this standard will have on the financial position and performance. This standard becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013.

IAS 27 Separate Financial Statements (as revised in 2011)

As a consequence of the new IFRS 10 and IFRS 12, what remains of IAS 27 is limited to accounting for subsidiaries, jointly controlled entities, and associates in separate financial statements. The amendment becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013.

3. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

New and revised IFRSs in issue but not yet effective (continued)

IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (as revised in 2011)

As a consequence of the new IFRS 11 and IFRS 12, IAS 28 has been renamed IAS 28 *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures*, and describes the application of the equity method to investments in joint ventures in addition to associates. The amendment becomes effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013.

Annual Improvements May 2012

These improvements will not have an impact on the Group, but include:

IFRS 1 First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards

This improvement clarifies that an entity that stopped applying IFRS in the past and chooses, or is required, to apply IFRS, has the option to re-apply IFRS 1. If IFRS 1 is not re-applied, an entity must retrospectively restate its financial statements as if it had never stopped applying IFRS.

IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements

This improvement clarifies the difference between voluntary additional comparative information and the minimum required comparative information. Generally, the minimum required comparative information is the previous period.

IAS 16 Property Plant and Equipment

This improvement clarifies that major spare parts and servicing equipment that meet the definition of property, plant and equipment are not inventory.

IAS 32 Financial Instruments, Presentation

This improvement clarifies that income taxes arising from distributions to equity holders are accounted for in accordance with IAS 12 *Income Taxes*.

These improvements are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013.

4. Critical Accounting Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

In the application of the Group's accounting policies the Management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying 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 the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Critical judgements in applying accounting policies

The following are the critical judgements, apart from those involving estimations (see below), that the Management has made in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

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4. Critical Accounting Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty (continued)

Critical judgements in applying accounting policies (continued)

Written put option over own shares

Financial liabilities of the Group include a written put option on the Group's shares. The option was granted by the Group to certain former shareholders of RTS as a part of the merger with RTS (refer to Note 6). The option gives its holders the right to put the Group's shares back to the Group for cash:

- in July 2013 in the case if the Group has not conducted an IPO by June 30, 2013, and MICEX stock index and FTSE Mondo Visione Exchanges index have not fallen by 30% or more after the merger date;
- In October 2014, if the option has not been exercised in July 2013 and the Group has not conducted an IPO by September 30, 2014.

Because the put option requires the Group to deliver cash in the event of occurrence or non-occurrence of uncertain future events that are beyond control of both the Group and the holders of the option, in accordance with IAS 32 *Financial Instruments: Presentation* the option is classified as a financial liability and is carried at the net present value of its strike price. For the purpose of calculation of the net present value, Management assumed that the option could be exercised in July 2013 and has used the discount rate of 7%. Unwinding of the discount is recorded as interest expense in a separate line of the Consolidated Income Statement.

Held-to-maturity financial assets

The Management has reviewed the Group's held-to-maturity financial assets in the light of its capital maintenance and liquidity requirements and have confirmed the Group's positive intention and ability to hold those assets to maturity. Details of these assets are set out in Note 20.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

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

Impairment of receivables

The Group regularly reviews its receivables to assess for impairment. The Group's receivables impairment provisions are established to recognize incurred impairment losses in its portfolio of receivables. The Group considers accounting estimates related to allowance for impairment of receivables a key source of estimation uncertainty because (a) they are highly susceptible to change from period to period as the assumptions about future default rates and valuation of potential losses relating to impaired receivables are based on recent performance experience, and (b) any significant difference between the Group's estimated losses and actual losses would require the Group to record provisions which could have a material impact on its Consolidated Financial Statements in future periods.

The Group uses Management's judgment to estimate the amount of any impairment loss in cases where the debtor has financial difficulties and there are few available sources of historical data relating to similar debtors. Similarly, the Group estimates changes in future cash flows based on past performance, past counterparty behavior, observable data indicating an adverse change in the payment status, and national or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults on assets in the group. Management uses estimates based on historical loss experience for assets with credit risk characteristics and objective evidence of impairment similar to those in the group of receivables. The Group uses Management's judgment to adjust observable data for a group of receivables to reflect current circumstances not reflected in historical data.

The allowances for impairment of financial assets in the Consolidated Financial Statements have been determined on the basis of existing economic and political conditions. As at December 31, 2012, the gross receivables totalled RUB 443 355 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 602 251 thousand) and allowance for impairment losses amounted to RUB 4 961 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 8 734 thousand).

4. Critical Accounting Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty (continued)

Key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

Valuation of financial instruments

For financial instruments not traded in an active market, the fair value is determined using appropriate valuation techniques. Such techniques may include:

- Using recent arm's length market transactions
- Reference to the current fair value of another instrument that is substantially the same
- A discounted cash flow analysis or other valuation models.

An analysis of fair values of financial instruments and further details as to how they are measured are provided in Note 34.

Impairment of goodwill

Impairment is determined by assessing the recoverable amount of each CGU (or group of CGUs) to which the goodwill relates. When the recoverable amount of the CGU is less than its carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised. The key assumptions used to determine the recoverable amount are disclosed and further explained in Note 24.

Share-based payments

The Group measures the cost of transactions with employees by reference to the fair value of the equity instruments at the date at which they are granted. Estimating fair value for share-based payment transactions requires determination of the most appropriate valuation model, which is dependent on the terms and conditions of the grant. This estimate also requires determination of the most appropriate inputs to the valuation model including the expected life of the share option and volatility and making assumptions about them. The assumptions and models used for estimating fair value for share-based payment transactions are disclosed in Note 13.

5. Changes in Presentation

Changes were made to the presentation of the following items in the consolidated income statement, compared to consolidated income statement for the year ended December 31, 2011, as the current presentation provides better view of the financial performance of the Group:

	As previously reported	Reclassification of net gain on AFS investments	Reclassification of net loss on FVPL investments	Reclassification of interest income	As presented in this report
Interest and other	•				•
financial income	-	-	(1 124 220)	7 716 338	6 592 118
Interest income	7 716 338	-	-	(7 716 338)	_
Net gain/(loss) on financial					
assets carried at fair value	(856 766)	(267 454)	1 124 220	-	-
Net gain/(loss) on investments					
available for sale	-	267 454	-	-	267 454

6. Business Combinations

MICEX-RTS merger

On June 29, 2011, the Group obtained control over Open Joint-Stock Company RTS Stock Exchange (RTS) and its subsidiaries (together – RTS Group). RTS Group was specialising in stock exchange services, including trading, settlement and clearing, depository, and technical support services. As a result of the transaction the Group acquired the following subsidiaries of RTS: CJSC Clearing Center RTS, Non-banking Credit Organisation Settlement Chamber RTS CJSC, CJSC Depository Clearing Company, Open Joint-Stock Company "Evraziyskaia Trading System" Commodity Exchange, LLC Technical Center RTS, and obtained significant influence over the associate of RTS, Open Joint-Stock Company "Ukrainian Exchange".

6. Business Combinations (continued)

MICEX-RTS merger (continued)

The acquisition is expected to provide the Group with an increased share of the cash and derivative market through access to the acquiree's patented technology and customer base. The Group also expects to decrease costs through economies of scale and reducing excessive services.

On June 29, 2011, RTS, CJSC MICEX and a majority of RTS shareholders signed a framework agreement in relation to a merger of the businesses of MICEX and RTS. Under the terms of transaction RTS shareholders had a right to sell up to 35% of their stakes to the Group and convert the remaining stake to the Group's shares at fixed ratio. The deal was approved by extraordinary general meetings of MICEX and RTS shareholders on August 5, 2011, and approved by the Federal Antimonopoly Service of the Russian Federation (FAS) on September 9, 2011. MICEX and RTS have legally merged on December 19, 2011.

Based on the framework agreement since June 29, 2011, management of RTS should not perform actions other than those required for running as a going concern in line with the RTS budget unless otherwise agreed with MICEX. Former RTS shareholders have no rights to govern financial and operating policies of RTS since June 29, 2011. As at June 29, 2011, the Group expected that the required approvals by extraordinary general meetings and the FAS would be obtained and the transaction would be completed with a high degree of certainty. Based on that June 29, 2011, is defined as an acquisition date and all transactions of RTS Group are included into these Consolidated Financial Statements since this date.

Under the framework agreement the Group granted to RTS shareholders a put option in relation to the Group's shares received by RTS shareholders as a result of the deal.

The following summarizes the major classes of consideration transferred, and the recognised amounts of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date.

Consideration transferred

	Note	
Cash		8 875 680
Ordinary shares with no put option granted (59 119 392 ordinary shares)	29	3 606 102
Ordinary shares with put option granted (296 884 467 ordinary shares)	29	21 054 656

33 536 438

Total

The fair value of the ordinary shares with no put option was estimated based on the results of an independent appraisal at June 29, 2011.

In accordance with IAS 32 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*, the net present value of the strike price of the put option granted to RTS shareholders is deducted from equity and recognised as a financial liability. The exercise of the put option is conditional on non-occurrence of future events, including the Group's IPO, which are outside control of the Group. If the Group conducts an IPO before June 30, 2013, for an amount of at least RUB 9 000 000 thousand, the put option would lapse and the financial liability in respect of the put option would be derecognised which results in an increase of the Group's equity. Interest expense of RUB 1 529 566 thousand in respect of this option was recognised in profit or loss for the year ended December 31, 2012 (December 31, 2011: RUB 734 545 thousand). Acquisition-related costs incurred to effect the business combination include legal and due diligence costs of RUB 297 948 thousand, staff costs of RUB 270 000 thousand, other administrative expense of RUB 4 354 thousand.

The goodwill is attributable mainly to the strong position of RTS in derivatives, growth prospects in production and sale of derivatives, skills and technical talent of the work force, and the synergies expected to be achieved from integrating the company into the Group's existing business. None of the goodwill recognised is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

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7. Fee and Commission Income

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Securities market	3 080 810	4 187 311
Foreign exchange market	2 008 724	1 574 279
Money market	2 005 598	964 270
Depositary and settlement services	1 922 260	1 775 937
Derivative market	1 252 989	804 131
Sale of software and technical services	528 129	212 034
Information services	404 196	279 405
Other	204 110	153 610
Total fee and commission income	11 406 816	9 950 977

8. Interest and Other Finance Income

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Income on securities at fair value through profit or loss		
Interest income	3 613 881	3 039 238
Net loss on securities at fair value through profit or loss	(588 042)	(1 124 220)
Total income on securities at fair value through profit or loss	3 025 839	1 915 018
Interest income on financial assets other than at fair value through profit or loss		
Interest on due from financial institutions	4 261 582	2 700 131
Interest income on investments available-for-sale	3 023 514	1 813 070
Interest on investments held-to-maturity	32 483	163 899
Total interest income on financial assets other than at fair value through profit or loss	7 317 579	4 677 100
Total interest and other finance income	10 343 418	6 592 118

9. Net (Loss)/Gain on Financial Assets Available-for-Sale

In 2012 the Group recognized a net loss on financial assets available-for-sale of RUB 650 732 thousand. The loss resulted from the sale of high yield bonds held by the Group. Interest income received on these bonds exceeded the losses realised on the sale of such securities (refer to Note 8). In 2011 the Group recognised a net gain on financial assets available-for-sale of RUB 267 454 thousand. It resulted from the sale of bonds with a loss of RUB 291 159 thousand, and the revaluation of RTS shares held by the Group before the Merger with a gain of RUB 558 613 thousand.

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10. Foreign Exchange Gains Less Losses

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Net gains arising from dealing in foreign currencies Net foreign exchange translation (losses) gains	699 183 (316 009)	121 669 3 326
Total foreign exchange gains less losses	383 174	124 995

11. Other Operating Income

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Income from lease Gain on disposal of property, equipment and intangible assets Other income	37 200 20 433 49 260	40 033 8 100 28 853
Total other operating income	106 893	76 986

12. Administrative and Other Operating Expenses

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Amortisation of intangible assets	1 016 359	554 658
Professional services	826 028	1 116 092
Depreciation of property and equipment	519 174	496 086
Rent and office maintenance	492 160	506 202
Equipment and intangible assets maintenance	366 491	304 918
Market makers fees	361 694	311 274
Taxes, other than income tax	337 304	219 202
Advertising and marketing costs	273 490	280 683
Loss on disposal of property, equipment and intangible assets	114 919	2 049
Business trip expenses	76 668	65 287
Charity	48 656	22 588
Security expenses	34 364	24 568
Other	115 113	188 282
Total administrative and other operating expenses	4 582 420	4 091 889

Professional services comprise consulting, audit, IT services, information and telecommunication, insurance, legal services and other. Included into professional services for the year ended December 31, 2011 are acquisition costs in respect the merger with RTS (Note 6).

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13. Personnel Expenses

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Staff expenses Payroll related taxes Share-based payment expense	4 032 763 628 053 179 166	3 325 021 272 670
Total personnel expenses	4 839 982	3 597 691

In 2012 the Group granted equity-settled share options to senior management and some employees. A majority of the options vest when the employee continues to be employed by the Group at the vesting date. The maximum contractual term of the options is four years. The fair value of the options is measured at the grant date using a binomial model taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the instruments were granted.

The following table illustrates the number and weighted average exercise prices (WAEP) of, and movements in, share options during the year ended December 31, 2012:

	Number	WAEP
Outstanding at 1 January Granted during the year	42 027 058	_ 47,53
Outstanding at 31 December	42 027 058	47,53

The weighted average remaining contractual life for the share options outstanding as at December 31, 2012 was 1,45 years. The weighted average fair value of options granted during the year was RUB 16,16. Exercise prices for options outstanding as at December 31, 2012 were RUB 46,9 – RUB 51.

The following table lists the inputs to the models used:

Assumption	Value
Expected volatility Risk-free interest rate Share price, RUB Dividend yield	25% 6,30% 55 2,0%

The volatility assumption is based on implied volatilities of quoted options on shares of similar stock exchanges.

14. Income Tax

The Group provides for taxes based on the tax accounts maintained and prepared in accordance with the tax regulations of countries where the Group and its subsidiaries operate and which may differ from IFRS.

Deferred taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for tax purposes. Temporary differences relate mostly to different methods of income and expense recognition, as well as to recorded values of certain assets.

The tax rate used for the reconciliations between tax expense and accounting profit is the corporate tax rate of 20% payable by corporate entities in the Russian Federation on taxable profits under the tax law in that jurisdiction.

14. Income Tax (continued)

Temporary differences comprise:

	Consolidated statement of financial position		Consolidated income statement	
	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Tax effect from deductible temporary differences				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	29 750	164 275	(134 525)	160 361
Investments in associates and assets available-for-			· · · · ·	
sale	29 360	78 435	41 532	(2 186)
Property and equipment and intangible assets	13 563	23 280	(9717)	15 408
Other assets	5 721	7 369	(1 011)	5 325
Tax loss carried forward	47 716	15 713	32 003	15 713
Other liabilities	203 273	47 759	155 514	29 683
Total tax effect from deductible temporary				
differences	329 383	336 831	83 796	224 304
Tax effect from taxable temporary differences				
Cash and cash equivalents	(250)	_	(250)	_
Central counterparty financial assets	(3 176)	_	(3 176)	_
Investments in associates and assets	(8 17 8)		(8 17 8)	
available-for-sale	(46 584)	(34 046)	(12 538)	(25 580)
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(7 290)	(4 700)	(2 590)	(4 338)
Financial assets held-to-maturity	(10)	(1700)	(10)	(1000)
Property and equipment and intangible assets	(4 049 137)	(4 231 617)	182 480	80 289
Other assets	(1 350)	(5 476)	4 126	(5 476)
Other liabilities	(3 192)	(44 371)	41 179	(79 914)
Total tax effect from taxable	(0 1)=)	(110/1)		(//////////////////////////////////////
temporary differences	(4 110 989)	(4 320 210)	209 221	(35 019)
Deferred tax income			293 017	189 285
Deferred income tax assets	103 178	246 983		
Deferred income tax liabilities	(3 884 784)	(4 230 362)		

Reconciliation of income tax expense and accounting profit for the year ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, are explained below:

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Profit before income tax	10 654 180	8 578 295
Tax at the statutory tax rate (20%)	2 130 836	1 715 659
Non-deductible expenses for tax purposes	560 505	409 376
Non-taxable gain on previously held interest in an acquiree	_	(111 199)
Tax effect of income taxed at rates different from the prime rate	(212 440)	(132 305)
Deferred tax benefit from a previously unrecognised		
temporary difference of a prior period	(25 050)	-
Income tax expense	2 453 851	1 881 531
Current income tax expense	2 746 868	2 070 816
Deferred taxation movement due to origination and reversal of temporary differences	(261 014)	(173 572)
Deferred taxation movement due to tax losses carried forward	(32 003)	(15 713)
Income tax expense	2 453 851	1 881 531

14. Income tax (continued)

At December 31, 2012, the aggregate amount of temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries for which deferred tax liability have not been recognized was RUB 14 099 228 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 10 728 147 thousand).

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011	
As at January 1 – deferred tax assets As at January 1 – deferred tax liabilities	246 983 (4 230 362)	30 916 (435 881)	
Changes in deferred income tax balances recognized in			
other comprehensive income	(90 607)	76 593	
Effect of movements in exchange rates	(637)	(22 025)	
Change in deferred income tax balances recognized in profit or loss	293 017	189 285	
Deferred income tax liabilities arising from business combinations	_	(3 822 267)	
As at December 31- deferred tax assets As at December 31- deferred tax liabilities	103 178 (3 884 784)	246 983 (4 230 362)	

15. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Balances with the CBR	48 967 587	55 773 895
Correspondent accounts and overnight deposits with banks:	10 / 07 007	
- Russian Federation	32 640 394	20 688 491
- Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development countries	111 454 543	89 048 889
- other countries	287 230	307 877
Cash on hand	6 730	10 981
Total cash and cash equivalents	193 356 484	165 830 133

As at December 31, 2012, the Group has balances with seven counterparties each of which is greater than 10% of equity (December 31, 2011: five counterparties). The total aggregate amount of these balances is RUB 189 888 446 thousand or 98% of total cash and cash equivalents as at December 31, 2012 (December 31, 2011: RUB 101 065 037 thousand or 61% of total cash and cash equivalents).

Guarantee and risk-covering funds (Note 26) are placed on current accounts with large OECD banks, the CBR and large Russian banks (Fitch credit rating BBB).

16. Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss

17 958 879	47 190 671
66 960	68 096
18 025 830	47 258 767

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17. Due from Financial Institutions

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Interbank loans and term deposits	13 074 209	21 615 913
Short-term reverse repo receivable from financial institutions	582 886	538 961
Mandatory cash balances with the CBR (restricted)	69 604	91 422
Receivables on broker and clearing operations	168	141
Total due from financial institutions	13 726 867	22 246 437

As at December 31, 2012, the fair value of bonds pledged under short-term reverse repo is RUB 643 313 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 597 575 thousand).

18. Central Counterparty Financial Assets and Liabilities

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Currency transactions	639 114	1 769 470
Repo transactions	2 184 330	869 388
Total central counterparty financial assets and liabilities	2 823 444	2 638 858
		2 000 000

As at December 31, 2012, CCP financial assets are receivables under currency and repo transactions and CCP financial liabilities are payables under offsetting transactions, which the Group entered with market participants as a CCP. The fair value of securities purchased and sold by the Group under the above repo transactions is RUB 2 181 313 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 864 338 thousand).

As at December 31, 2012 and 2011, none of these assets were past due.

19. Investments Available-for-Sale

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Bonds issued by Russian Federation	17 903 495	2 781 657
Bonds issued by Russian banks	16 123 514	10 635 800
Bonds issued by Russian companies	12 999 291	7 928 882
Bonds issued by foreign companies	8 172 658	4 875 733
Bonds issued by foreign banks	1 063 639	1 899 158
Bonds issued by Russian Federation subjects and Municipal bonds	244 012	1 486 710
Shares issued by Russian companies	101 704	166 403
Shares issued by foreign companies	66 209	56 100
Total investments available-for-sale	56 674 522	29 830 443

In 2012 the Group reclassified quoted corporate bonds with total carrying value of RUB 472 963 thousand from investments available-for-sale to investments held-to-maturity due to change in intention.

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20. Investments Held-to-Maturity

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Corporate bonds	529 842	75 227
Bonds issued by Russian Federation subjects and Municipal bonds	-	172 798
Bonds issued by Russian Federation	-	444 241
Total investments held-to-maturity	529 842	692 266

21. Investments in Associates

	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	Ownership interest	Carrying value	Ownership interest	Carrying value
CJSC Settlement Depository Company (SDC)	28,54%	561 326	28,54%	513 998
CJSC National Mercantile Exchange (NAMEX)	36,51%	34 353	33,24%	20 554
Open Joint-Stock Company "Ukrainian Exchange" (UEX)	43,08%	132 975	43,08%	135 549
Total investments in associates		728 654		670 101

As at December 31, 2012, and for the year ended, assets, liabilities, revenue and net profit of the associates are presented as follows:

		December 31, 2012			
	Assets	Liabilities	Revenue	Net profit	
SDC	4 466 583	2 532 374	202 505	165 829	
NAMEX	167 093	76 741	99 075	32 450	
UEX	107 740	4 706	70 583	615	

As at December 31, 2011, and for the year ended, assets, liabilities, revenue and net profit of the associates are presented as follows:

		December 31, 2011			
	Assets	Liabilities	Revenue	Net profit	
SDC	3 949 274	2 180 897	214 669	157 016	
NAMEX	96 858	34 989	38 865	5 942	
UEX	123 870	16 547	74 165	2 374	

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22. Property and Equipment

	Land	Buildings and other real estate	Furniture and equipment	Total
December 31, 2010	104 354	4 864 504	2 729 381	7 698 239
Additions Acquisition through business combination	23 158	13 692	315 625	352 475
(Note 6)	-	82 930	342 400	425 330
Disposals	_	(10 582)	(115 024)	(125 606)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	14 925	811	15 736
December 31, 2011	127 512	4 965 469	3 273 193	8 366 174
Additions	94 022	936 328	255 777	1 286 127
Disposals	-	(20 834)	(408 765)	(429 599)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	(387)	(6 125)	(1 528)	(8 040)
December 31, 2012	221 147	5 874 838	3 118 677	9 214 662
Accumulated depreciation				
December 31, 2010	-	670 772	1 575 293	2 246 065
Charge for the year	_	94 237	401 849	496 086
Disposals	-	(285)	(98 588)	(98 873)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	69	82	151
December 31, 2011	-	764 793	1 878 636	2 643 429
Charge for the year	_	112 381	406 793	519 174
Disposals	-	(5 065)	(297 392)	(302 457)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	(157)	(560)	(717)
December 31, 2012	_	871 952	1 987 477	2 859 429
Net book value December 31, 2011	127 512	4 200 676	1 394 557	5 722 745
December 31, 2012	221 147	5 002 886	1 131 200	6 355 233

As at December 31, 2012, historical cost of fully depreciated property and equipment amounts to RUB 1 000 646 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 915 883 thousand).

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23. Intangible Assets

	Software and licences	Client base	Total
December 31, 2010	682 809	193 594	876 403
Acquisition through business combination (Note 6)	325 424	19 310 000	19 635 424
Additions	236 110	-	236 110
Disposals	(14 046)	-	(14 046)
December 31, 2011	1 230 297	19 503 594	20 733 891
Additions	524 126	_	524 126
Disposals	(81 993)	_	(81 993)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	(8 499)	_	(8 499)
December 31, 2012	1 663 931	19 503 594	21 167 525
Accumulated amortization			
December 31, 2010	201 267	18 313	219 580
Charge for the year	160 714	393 944	554 658
Disposals	(10 628)	_	(10 628)
December 31, 2011	351 353	412 257	763 610
Charge for the year	236 215	780 144	1 016 359
Disposals	(75 904)	_	(75 904)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	(316)	-	(316)
December 31, 2012	511 348	1 192 401	1 703 749
Net book value December 31, 2011	878 944	19 091 337	19 970 281
December 31, 2012	1 152 583	18 311 193	19 463 776

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24. Goodwill

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
As at January 1 RTS Group (Note 6)	16 072 302	97 487 15 970 352
Effect of movements in exchange rates	(6 208)	4 463
As at December 31	16 066 094	16 072 302

Impairment Tests for Goodwill

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to the whole Moscow Exchange Group, which represents the lowest level at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes.

As at December 31, 2012 the recoverable amount for the Group has been determined based on value-in-use calculations. Cash flows for years 2013 to 2015 were based on financial budgets approved by management. Cash flows from 2016 and into perpetuity were based on the estimated long term growth rates. Main assumptions used in cash flows projections were:

- 1) Macroeconomic assumptions:
 - Nominal GDP growth (assumed to be 10% for the three year period 2013 to 2015, external forecast);
 - Dynamics of foreign trade (growing 121% from 2013 to 2015, external forecast);
 - Volatility index (average value of volatility index assumed to be from 34 to 35);
 - Interest rates (average rates in period immediately before the budget period adjusted each year for anticipated change of inflation rate; inflation rate is based on external sources of information).
- 2) Discount rates reflect management's estimate of return of capital employed (ROCE). This is the benchmark used by management to assess operating performance and to evaluate future investment proposals. The Group uses pre-tax nominal weighted average cost of capital of 18.8% as a discount rate (December 31, 2011: 17.1%).
- Revenue and cost growth assumptions reflect current trends, anticipated market developments, discussions with customers and suppliers, and management's experience. The main expectations relating to the business of the Group:
 - Group's share of currency trading market will increase from 26% (2012) to 36% (2015);
 - Market capitalization to GDP ratio will increase from 43% to 47%;
 - Derivative/spot trading ratio is expected to be within 2.1-2.3 range;
 - Average clients' funds growth rates are based on past experience and varies through different products;
 - Trading volumes growth is based on changes of GDP, market capitalisation, oil prices, exchange rates.

The resulted value-in use of the Group exceeds the net carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Management believes that reasonably possible changes in key assumptions used to determine the recoverable amount would not result in an impairment of goodwill.

25. Other Assets

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Other financial assets:		
Receivables on services rendered and other operations	443 355	602 251
Loans receivable from employees	1 215	18 916
Less allowance for impairment	(4 961)	(8 734)
Total other financial assets	439 609	612 433
Other non-financial assets:		
Prepaid expenses	182 290	784 945
Taxes receivable other than income tax	83 427	97 423
Other	9 804	7 165
Total other assets	715 130	1 501 966

Included in prepaid expenses as at December 31, 2012, are advances for services under the office building construction project for own use of RUB 40 906 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 435 705 thousand).

26. Balances of Market Participants

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Current and settlement accounts of participants	210 858 198	202 982 052
Guarantee fund	34 258 124	40 671 150
Risk-covering funds	1 874 063	1 782 308
Total balances of market participants	246 990 385	245 435 510
I otal balances of market participants	246 990 385	245 435 510

The guarantee fund comprises contributions deposited by participants of Derivatives Market and Securites market ("Standard" sector) Sections of the Group (initial or maintenance margin). The purpose of this fund is to support clearing settlements on the market and to cover risks arising from open positions of market participants, including operations of market participants, where the Group acts as a central counterparty. If an initial margin requirement exceeds the contribution made by a market participant in the guarantee fund, the participant is required to cover the deficit by depositing additional maintenance margin for the unsettled trades or to reduce the open position to an appropriate level. The guarantee fund amount is payable to a market participant when it closes its positions. The Group places guarantee fund amounts on current accounts and deposits with reputable banks or short-term repo receivables (Notes 15, 17).

Market participants also pledge traded securities of Russian companies to the guarantee fund as collateral for their obligations. These securities are blocked at the participants' custody accounts in NSD and DCC. These securities are not assets of the Group and are not recognised in the Consolidated Statement of the Financial Position.

The risk-covering funds comprise contributions deposited by market participants. The purpose of these funds is to provide additional insurance to the market participants in respect of the ability of the Group to guarantee proper settlements of open positions in case of a market participant default. The minimum contribution amount per one participant is determined by the Group management and it is approved by the Derivatives Market Committee or the Currency Market Committee. Risk-covering funds amounts are only used to cover the deficit if a contribution to a guarantee fund made by a trading participant is not sufficient to cover its losses. The Group places cash received from the market participants in the risk-covering funds with top-rated banks (Notes 15, 17).

27. Loans Payable

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Term deposits Amounts payable under direct repurchase agreement	20 243	53 700 2 507 405
Total loans payable	20 243	2 561 105

28. Other Liabilities

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Other financial liabilities:		
Payables to employees	1 195 461	383 211
Trade payables	384 173	321 266
Payables in respect of acquisition costs	-	144 288
Other payables resulted from acquisition of RTS Group	-	73 576
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	64 270
Total other financial liabilities	1 579 634	986 611
Other non-financial liabilities:		
Taxes payable, other than income tax	631 891	504 721
Advances received	175 786	172 761
Other	5 881	795
Total other liabilities	2 393 192	1 664 888

29. Share Capital and Share Premium

The share capital of MICEX-RTS comprises ordinary shares with a par value of RUB 1 each (December 31, 2011: RUB 1 each):

	Authorized shares (number of shares)	Ordinary shares issued and fully paid (number of shares)	Treasury shares (number of shares)
December 31, 2010	131 415	128 910	-
Issue of additional shares	126 405	37 074	(4 713)
Share split	2 577 942 180	1 659 674 016	(47 125 287)
Dividends paid by own shares	-	181 565 987	(18 887 981)
Issue of additional shares in the process of			
merge with RTS	-	356 003 859	-
Purchase of treasury shares	-	-	(125 543 172)
December 31, 2011	2 578 200 000	2 197 409 846	(191 561 153)
Issue of additional shares	_	_	165 650 445
Purchase of treasury shares	-	-	(32 225 118)
December 31, 2012	2 578 200 000	2 197 409 846	(58 135 826)

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29. Share Capital and Share Premium (continued)

Share premium represents an excess of contributions received over the nominal value of shares issued.

In July 2011 the Group made an additional issue of 37 074 ordinary shares. A majority of these shares were distributed to shareholders of MICEX SE in exchange for shares of MICEX SE. The remaining 4 713 shares were distributed to the Group entities.

In 2011 the CJSC MICEX performed a share split of its ordinary shares. The nominal value of each ordinary share was changed to RUB 1 per share.

In the process of the merger with RTS (Note 6) in December 2011 the Group issued 537 569 846 ordinary shares and distributed 356 003 859 of them to the former shareholders of RTS Group. The Group distributed 50 331 436 shares of RTS purchased in 2011 to shareholders as dividends. These shares were then converted to 162 678 006 of own shares. The remaining 18 887 981 shares were distributed to the Group's entities.

The Group repurchased 68 255 877 of ordinary shares from those shareholders who voted against the merger with RTS in 2011.

In December 2011 the Group repurchased 57 287 295 of ordinary shares from a shareholder. The Group recognised a liability in respect of these shares of RUB 2 738 315 thousand as at December 31, 2011. The shares were delivered to the Group in January 2012 and then sold to other shareholders.

As at December 31, 2011 included into treasury shares are 56 252 000 shares which are pledged under direct repurchase agreement (Note 27).

In January-February 2012 the Group repurchased from shareholders 32 225 118 own shares for RUB 1 805 040 thousand and sold 165 650 445 own shares to new shareholders for RUB 9 625 947 thousand.

30. Retained Earnings

During the year ended December 31, 2012, the Group paid dividends on ordinary shares of RUB 682 856 thousand to the owners of the parent for 2011 (December 31, 2011: RUB 342 581 thousand for 2010). In the year ended December 31, 2012 the Group neither declared nor paid dividends on ordinary shares to non-controlling interest (December 31, 2011: RUB 132 thousand). The amount of dividends per share for the year ended December 31, 2012, is RUB 0,32 per ordinary share (December 31, 2011: RUB 0,16 per ordinary share).

In 2011 the Group paid tax in respect of dividends paid by own shares of RUB 915 348 thousand.

The Group's distributable reserves are limited to the amount of reserves reported in the statutory financial statements of the Group members. Non-distributable reserves comprise a reserve fund, which is created according to the statutory regulations, to cover risks, including future losses and other unforeseen risks and contingencies. The reserve fund balances of the Group companies as at December 31, 2012, totalled RUB 779 638 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 771 753 thousand).

31. Earnings per Share

The calculation of earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to shareholders of the Group and the weighted average number of ordinary outstanding during the year, calculated as shown below.

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Net profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent	8 207 741	6 699 931
Weighted average number of shares	2 127 859 487	2 134 094 449
Effect of dilutive share options Weighted average number of shares adjusted for the effect of dilution	1 985 679 2 129 845 165	2 134 094 449
Basic earnings per share, RUB Diluted earnings per share, RUB	3,86 3,85	3,14 3,14

Ordinary shares issued in 2011 as part of the consideration transferred in a merger with RTS are included in the weighted average number of shares from the acquisition date.

The written put option issued is not considered as dilutive because it is only exercisable in the case of occurrence of specified conditions, which are currently not probable (refer to Notes 6, 37).

32. Commitments and Contingencies

Fiduciary assets – These assets are not recorded on the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as these are not the Group's assets. Fiduciary assets comprise:

	Fair value (unaudited)	
	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
	(RUB mln)	(RUB mln)
Corporate shares	4 536 827	4 870 544
Corporate bonds	3 686 224	3 017 436
OFZ bonds	3 296 738	2 903 285
Bonds of RF subjects and municipal bodies	383 667	357 045
Eurobonds	233 360	204 999
Units of mutual investment funds	154 103	113 737
Total	12 290 919	11 467 046

The Group has insurance policies from Open Joint Stock Insurance Company Ingosstrakh. The insurance packages comprise fraud, errors and omissions coverage and a comprehensive liability and crime policy. The comprehensive liability and crime policy has been developed especially for insuring professional risks of clearing houses and central securities depositories. The total coverage level for the packages of insurance is USD 65 million (December 31, 2011: USD 115 million).

Operating lease commitments – Where the Group is the lessee, the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases of premises, parking slots and cars are as follows:

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Less than 1 year	160 896	265 280
More than 1 year and no more than 5 years	559 096	548 236
Over 5 years	319 980	437 101
Total operating lease commitments	1 039 972	1 250 617

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32. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

Legal proceedings – From time to time and in the normal course of business, claims against the Group may be received from customers and counterparties. The Management believes that such claims may not have a material impact on its financial and operational activities and that no material losses will be incurred, and accordingly no provision has been made in these Consolidated Financial Statements.

Operating environment – Russia continues economic reforms and development of its legal, tax and regulatory frameworks as required by a market economy. The future stability of the Russian economy is largely dependent upon these reforms and developments and the effectiveness of economic, financial and monetary measures undertaken by the government.

The Russian economy has been affected by the global financial crisis. Despite some indications of recovery there continues to be uncertainty regarding further economic growth, access to capital and cost of capital, which could negatively affect the Group's future financial position, results of operations and business prospects.

While Management believes it is taking appropriate measures to support the sustainability of the Group's business in the current circumstances, unexpected further deterioration in the areas described above could negatively affect the Group's results and financial position in a manner not currently determinable.

Taxation – Provisions of the Russian tax legislation are sometimes inconsistent and may have more than one interpretation, which allows the Russian tax authorities to take decisions based on their own arbitrary interpretations of these provisions.

The Management's interpretation of such legislation as applied to its operations and activity may be challenged by the relevant regional and federal authorities. The tax authorities may be taking a more assertive position in their interpretation of the legislation and assessments, and it is possible that transactions and activities that have not been challenged in the past may be challenged. As a result, significant additional taxes, penalties and interest may be assessed.

The Group's Management believes its interpretation of the relevant legislation is appropriate and that the tax positions of the Group will be confirmed.

Generally, taxpayers are subject to tax audits with respect to three calendar years preceding the year of the audit. However, completed audits do not exclude the possibility of subsequent additional tax audits performed by upper-level tax inspectorates reviewing the results of tax audits of their subordinate tax inspectorates.

33. Transactions with Related Parties

Intragroup transactions have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note. Details of transactions between the Group and other related parties are disclosed below.

(a) Control relationships

The entities controlled by the Russian Federation together hold more than 50% (December 31, 2011: more than 40%) of voting shares of Moscow Exchange (Note 1). Accordingly, the Russian Federation exercises control (December 31, 2011: significant influence) over Moscow Exchange.

(b) Transactions with key management

Key management personnel comprises members of the Executive Board and the Board of Directors. The total remuneration paid to key management personnel includes short-term benefits (salary, bonuses, payroll related taxes, insurance, health care, etc.) and share-based payment expense.

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Short-term employee benefits Share-based payment expense	402 312 113 397	368 788
Total remuneration of key management personnel	515 709	368 788

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33. Transactions with Related Parties (continued)

(c) Transactions with related parties

The Group considers shareholders of the OJSC Moscow Exchange MICEX-RTS with control or significant influence by the Russian Federation to be related parties.

The Group considers government-related entities as related parties if Russian Federation has control, joint control or significant influence over the entity. In the ordinary course of business the Group provides stock exchange services to government-related entities, places funds with government-related banks and bonds issued by the Russian Federation and government-related entities.

Included in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position were the following amounts that arose on transactions with associates:

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Investments in associates	728 654	670 101
Other assets	7 642	14 934
Balances of market participants	1 588	2 802
Other liabilities	3 938	302

Included in the Consolidated Income Statement are the following amounts that arose due to transactions with associates:

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Share of profits of associates	59 179	47 808
Fee and commission income	34 740	15 336
Foreign currency difference	(360)	73
Administrative and other operating expenses	46 647	3 043

34. Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

The Group performes a fair value assessment of its financial assets and liabilities, as required by IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures. Fair value is defined as the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction, other than in forced or liquidation sale.

Except as detailed below, Management of the Group considers that the fair value of financial assets and liabilities approximates their carrying value:

	December 3	31, 2012	December 31, 2011		
	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value	
Investments held-to-maturity	529 842	529 249	692 266	693 279	
Written put option over own shares	23 318 767	646 055	21 789 201	552 583	

The fair value of the put option is estimated using the Monte Carlo method. The model of stochastic processes for changes in Moscow Exchange shares prices, MICEX Index and FTSE Mondo Visione Exchanges Index is based on the following assumptions: the probability of IPO failure during the option life is 15% (December 31, 2011: 15%) and the number of random simulation processes for prices and changes in the indices equals to 30 000 iterations.

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34. Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities (continued)

The Group measures fair values for financial assets recorded on the statement of financial position at fair value using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

- Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.
- Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.
- Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

The table below analyses financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value at December 31, 2012, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised:

	December 31, 2012				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Financial assets at fair value though profit or loss	17 958 879	_	66 960	18 025 839	
Central counterparty financial assets	2 823 444	-	-	2 823 444	
Investments avaliable-for-sale	53 791 969	2 714 640	167 913	56 674 522	

Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value at December 31, 2011, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised:

	December 31, 2011				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Financial assets at fair value though profit or loss	47 190 671	_	68 096	47 258 767	
Central counterparty financial assets	2 638 858	_	-	2 638 858	
Investments avaliable-for-sale	27 836 932	1 771 008	222 503	29 830 443	
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	64 270	_	-	64 270	

The following table shows a reconciliation for the year ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, for fair value measurements in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy:

	Level 3
Balance at December 31, 2010	80 492
Level 3 securities purchased	41 638
Level 3 securities received at acquisition of subsidiaries	168 245
Gain recognized in net loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	224
Balance at December 31, 2011	290 599
Balance at December 31, 2011	290 599
Level 3 securities purchased	10 864
Level 3 securities sold	(64 117)
Foreign exchange gain/(loss)	(1 337)
Loss recognized in net loss on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(1 136)
Balance at December 31, 2012	234 873

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35. Capital Management

The Group's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to maintain investor, creditor and market confidence and to sustain future development of the business. The Board of Directors monitors the return on capital, which the Group defines as net profit divided by total equity, excluding non-controlling interests. The Board of Directors also monitors the level of dividends to ordinary shareholders.

The capital structure of the Group consists of the shareholder's equity, which includes capital issued, reserves and retained earnings. The allocation of capital between specific operations and activities is, to a large extent, driven by optimization of the return achieved on the capital allocated. Although maximization of return on riskadjusted capital is the principal basis used in determining how capital is allocated within the Group to particular operations or activities, it is not the sole basis used for decision making. Account is also taken of synergies with other operations and activities, the availability of management and other resources and the fit of the activity with the longer term strategic objectives. The policies in respect of capital management and allocation are regularly reviewed by the Board of Directors through approval and review within annual budgets.

The Group entities (except for SC RTS) as professional participants of the securities market are subject to capital requirements established by the FSFM in respect of the minimum amount of own funds for each entity depending on the nature of their activities. NSD, NCC and SC RTS as credit institutions are also subject to capital requirements established by the CBR. Under the current capital requirements, credit organisations have to maintain a ratio of capital to risk weighted assets (statutory capital ratio N1) above the prescribed minimum level, which is 10% for banks (NCC) and 12% for non-banking credit institutions (NSD and SC RTS).

	Own funds		Own funds re	quirements	Capital adequacy ratio	
	December	December	December	December	December	December
	31, 2012	31, 2011	31, 2012	31, 2011	31, 2012	31, 2011
Moscow Exchange	24 104 646	16 705 929	150 000	150 000	-	-
NCC	13 167 983	9 999 913	180 000	180 000	16,55	26,5
NSD	6 003 088	6 055 350	4 000 000	250 000	32,15	51,9
CC RTS	3 890 251	2 348 633	-	80 000	-	-
SC RTS	1 374 891	1 101 227	-	-	69,6	23,3
MICEX SE	1 012 240	934 308	150 000	150 000	-	-
DCC	1 172 329	336 083	250 000	250 000	-	-

Regulatory capital ratios for the major Group companies were as follows:

In November 2012 the FSFM granted NSD status as the country's Central Securities Depositary. Since this date own funds requirements increased to RUB 4 bln.

The Group companies had complied in full with all its externally imposed capital requirements at all times.

36. Risk Management Policies

Risk management is a material element of the Group's activities and is applied to the following risks inherent to the Group's activity: credit, currency, liquidity, interest rate and operational risks. The main objective of financial risk management is to identify the sources of risks and measure risks, develop risk management policies, create risk controls, including setting of limits and further ensure compliance with the established limits.

The Group recognizes that it is essential to have efficient risk management procedures in place. To enable this, the Group has established a risk management framework, whose main purpose is to protect the Group from risk and allow it to achieve its performance objectives. A description of the Group's risk management policies in relation to those risks is as follows. Through the risk management framework, the Group manages the following risks.

36. Risk Management Policies (continued)

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will have insufficient funds to meet its financial liabilities. Liquidity risk exists when the maturities of assets and liabilities do not match. The matching and/or controlled mismatching of the maturities and interest rates of assets and liabilities is fundamental to the management of financial institutions, including the Group. An unmatched position potentially enhances profitability, but can also increase the risk of losses.

The Group's approach to management of liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the reputation.

The Group seeks to actively support a diversified and stable funding base comprising settlement accounts of trading, clearing and settlement participants, other corporate clients, accompanied by diversified portfolios of highly liquid assets, in order to be able to respond quickly and smoothly to unforeseen liquidity requirements.

The maturities of assets and liabilities and the ability to replace, at an acceptable cost, interest-bearing liabilities as they mature, are important factors in assessing the liquidity of the Group and its exposure to changes in interest and exchange rates.

Management expects that the cash flows from certain financial assets will be different from their contractual terms either because the Management has the discretionary ability to manage the cash flows or because past experience indicates that cash flows will differ from contractual terms. In the tables below the financial assets and liabilities are presented on a discounted basis and are based on their expected cash flows.

The presentation below is based upon the information provided internally to key management personnel of the Group.

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Risk Management Policies (continued) 36.

Liquidity risk (continued)

	Up to 1 month	1 month to 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 year to 5 years	Maturity undefined	December 31, 2012 Total
FINANCIAL ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	193 356 484	-	-	-	-	193 356 484
Financial assets at fair value though profit or loss	18 025 839	_	_	-	-	18 025 839
Due from financial institutions	5 196 051	4 584 609	3 946 207	-	-	13 726 867
Central counterparty financial assets	2 823 444	_	_	_	-	2 823 444
Investments avaliable-for-sale	47 097 071	525 299	6 170 425	2 713 814	167 913	56 674 522
Investments held-to-maturity	-	89 380	440 462	_	-	529 842
Other financial assets	362 814	76 795	_	_	_	439 609
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	266 861 703	5 276 083	10 557 094	2 713 814	167 913	285 576 607
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES						
Balances of market participants	246 990 385	-	-	-	-	246 990 385
Written out option over own shares	_	-	646 055	-	-	646 055
Central counterparty financial liabilities	2 823 444	-	-	-	-	2 823 444
Distributions payable to holders of securities	4 436 856	-	-	-	-	4 436 856
Loans payable	15 218	5 025	-	-	-	20 243
Other financial liabilities	116 302	1 240 669	185 158	37 505	-	1 579 634
TOTAL FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	254 382 205	1 245 694	831 213	37 505	_	256 496 617
Liquidity gap	12 479 498	4 030 389	9 725 881	2 676 309	167 913	
Cumulative liquidity gap	12 479 498	16 509 887	26 235 768	28 912 077	29 079 990	

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Risk Management Policies (continued) 36.

Liquidity risk (continued)

	Up to 1 month	1 month to 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 year to 5 years	Maturity undefined	December 31, 2011 Total
FINANCIAL ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	165 830 133	_	_	_	_	165 830 133
Financial assets at fair value though profit or loss	47 258 767	_	_	_	_	47 258 767
Due from financial institutions	19 079 445	1 503 988	1 657 104	5 900	_	22 246 437
Central counterparty financial assets	2 638 858	_	_	_	_	2 638 858
Investments avaliable-for-sale	25 693 940	760 631	2 493 270	651 627	230 975	29 830 443
Investments held-to-maturity	435 720	811	182 370	73 365	-	692 266
Other assets	590 717	2 799	940	17 977	-	612 433
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	261 527 580	2 268 229	4 333 684	748 869	230 975	269 109 337
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES						
Balances of market participants	245 435 510	-	-	-	-	245 435 510
Written out option over own shares	-	-	-	552 583	-	552 583
Liabilities to repurchase own shares	2 738 315	-	-	-	-	2 738 315
Distributions payable to holders of securities	2 680 832	-	-	-	-	2 680 832
Central counterparty financial liabilities	2 638 858	-	-	-	-	2 638 858
Loans payable	2 507 415	-	53 690	-	-	2 561 105
Other liabilities	352 061	338 269	296 281	_	-	986 611
TOTAL FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	256 352 991	338 269	349 971	552 583	_	257 593 814
Liquidity gap	5 174 589	1 929 960	3 983 713	196 286	230 975	
Cumulative liquidity gap	5 174 589	7 104 549	11 088 262	11 284 548	11 515 523	

36. Risk Management Policies (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

Undiscounted cash flows on financial liabilities are approximately equal to cash flows presented in the analysis of liquidity risk above. Written put option over own shares is presented at fair value as Management believes it correctly reflects the expected cash outflow. The maximum amount of cash that could be paid under this option is RUB 24 114 414 thousand (undiscounted).

The Group presents available-for-sale securities included in CBR Lombard list as matured in one month.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that movements in interest rates will affect the Group's income or the value of its portfolios of financial assets.

The Group is exposed to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on its financial position and cash flows. Interest margins may increase as a result of such changes but may also reduce or create losses in the event that unexpected movements arise.

Management of relevant Group entities are responsible for asset-liability management in respect of individual Group entities.

Designated functional units within individual Group entities and at the Group level, including Treasury, are responsible for interest rate risk management.

As the majority of financial instruments of the Group are fixed rate contracts, maturity dates of interest-bearing assets and liabilities are also their repricing dates.

An analysis of sensitivity of profit or loss and equity as a result of changes in the fair value of financial assets carried at fair value due to changes in the interest rates based on positions existing as at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, and a reasonably possible changes of 150 bp (December 31, 2011: 200 bp) symmetrical fall or rise in all yield curves is as follows:

	Year ended Decer	nber 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 201		
	Net profit	Equity	Net profit	Equity	
150 bp parallel rise (December 31, 2011: 200 bp) 150 bp parallel fall (December 31, 2011: 200 bp)	(96 018) 98 206	(915 194) 934 633	(561 166) 578 628	(1 391 264) 1 467 811	

The Group's sensitivity to interest rates decreased during the current period due to decrease in reasonably possible changes in interest rates and decrease in the balance of financial assets at fair value through profit and loss.

Credit risk

The Group is exposed to credit risk, which is the risk that one party to a financial assets will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss.

The Group controls credit risk by setting limits on a counterparty or on a group of related counterparties. The Group monitors such risks on a regular basis and revises the limits. Credit risk limits in each company of the Group are approved by the Executive Board based on the credit risk management system that is approved by the Moscow Exchange Board of Directors. Credit risk is managed by means of regular analysis of the existing and potential counterparties' ability to repay interest and the principal amount of debt and, if required, by means of changing the credit limits.

36. Risk Management Policies (continued)

Credit risk (continued)

To safeguard the Group against the risk of default by the clearing member before it has settled its outstanding transactions, the clearing conditions require the clearing member to deposit margins and collateral in the form of cash or securities on a daily basis or an intraday basis in the amount stipulated by the Group. Collateral deposited by participants of Currency Market is included into current accounts. Margins deposited by participants of Derivatives Market and Securites Market ("Standard"sector) comprise Guarantee fund (Note 26).

In addition to providing margin and collateral payments for current transactions, clearing members of Derivatives Market and Securities Market ("Standard" sector) Sections must contribute to a risk-covering fund. The risk-covering fund (Note 26) provides collective protection against the financial consequences of any default of a clearing member that is not covered by the individual margins of the clearing member concerned.

Principal types of collateral accepted by the Group include liquid securities and cash contributions in Roubles, US Dollars and Euros. Eligible types of collateral depend on the market and the type of the exposure.

Maximum credit risk exposure

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk equals to the carrying value of assets that bear credit risk.

As at December 31, 2012 included into other assets are overdue receivables of RUB 3 931 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 9 372 thousand).

Financial assets are graded according to the current credit rating that has been issued by an internationally regarded agency such as Fitch, Standard & Poor's and Moody's. The highest possible rating is AAA. Investment grade financial assets have ratings from AAA to BBB-. Financial assets which have ratings lower than BBB- are classed as speculative grade.

As at December, 31 2012 and 2011, balances with the CBR are graded in accordance with the sovereign credit rating of the Russian Federation.

	AA	А	BBB	less BBB-	Not rated	December 31, 2012 Total
FINANCIAL ASSETS:						
Cash and cash equivalents	221 402	87 826 052	104 625 771	_	676 529	193 349 754
Financial assets at fair value						
though profit or loss	_	_	17 958 879	_	_	17 958 879
Due from financial institutions	348 614	_	10 442 312	2 283 283	652 658	13 726 867
Central counterparty						
financial assets	_	_	84 522	356 426	2 382 496	2 823 444
Investments avaliable-for-sale	_	_	39 961 825	16 544 784	_	56 506 609
Investments held-to-maturity	_	-	93 210	436 632	_	529 842
Other financial assets	_	-	64 421	3 881	371 307	439 609

36. Risk Management Policies (continued)

Credit risk (continued)

The following table details the credit ratings of financial assets held by the Group as at December 31, 2011:

	ААА	АА		BBB	less BBB-	Not rated	December 31, 2011 Total
	AAA	AA	Α	DDD	less DDD-	Not Taleu	Total
FINANCIAL ASSETS:							
Cash and cash equivalents	1 202	33 468 284	25 546 798	106 431 298	9 780	361 790	165 819 152
Financial assets at fair value though profit or loss	_	_	_	47 189 271	_	-	47 189 271
Due from financial							
institutions	_	121 138	_	21 140 918	353 931	630 450	22 246 437
Central counterparty							
financial assets	-	4 563	55 913	190 501	969 822	1 418 059	2 638 858
Investments avaliable-for-sale	_	1 474 031	367	19 778 668	8 148 684	206 190	29 607 940
Investments held-to-maturity	_	56 435	_	571 881	63 950	_	692 266
Other financial assets	-	_	_	-	_	612 433	612 433

Currency risk

The Group is exposed to effects of fluctuations in the prevailing foreign currency exchange rates on its financial position and cash flows. Currency risk mainly results from open foreign currency positions. The Executive Boards of relevant Group entities set limits on the level of currency risk exposures by currencies.

The Group's exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk is presented in the tables below:

	RUB	USD	EUR	Other currencies	December 31, 2012 Total
FINANCIAL ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	65 518 861	53 489 523	73 766 180	581 920	193 356 484
Financial assets at fair value though					
profit or loss	18 025 839	_	_	_	18 025 839
Due from financial institutions	12 795 367	931 500	_	-	13 726 867
Central counterparty financial assets	2 823 444	_	_	-	2 823 444
Investments avaliable-for-sale	47 182 122	9 467 470	1 336	23 594	56 674 522
Investments held-to-maturity	529 842	_	_	-	529 842
Other financial assets	352 646	25 740	38 752	22 471	439 609
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	147 228 121	63 914 233	73 806 268	627 985	285 576 607
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES					
Balances of market participants	109 841 011	63 172 587	73 683 288	293 499	246 990 385
Written out option over own shares	23 318 767	-	-	-	23 318 767
Central counterparty financial liabilities	2 823 444	-	-	-	2 823 444
Distributions payable to holders of securities	4 011 664	425 192	-	-	4 436 856
Loans payable	20 243	-	-	-	20 243
Other financial liabilities	1 422 115	134 261	6 438	16 820	1 579 634
TOTAL FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	141 437 244	63 732 040	73 689 726	310 319	279 169 329
Open position	5 790 877	182 193	116 542	317 666	

36. Risk Management Policies (continued)

Currency risk (continued)

				Other	December 31, 2011
	RUB	USD	EUR	currencies	Total
FINANCIAL ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	75 984 798	76 941 073	12 160 502	743 760	165 830 133
Financial assets at fair value though					
profit or loss	47 258 767	_	_	_	47 258 767
Due from financial institutions	21 586 200	660 174	_	63	22 246 437
Central counterparty financial assets	2 638 858	_	_	_	2 638 858
Investments avaliable-for-sale	22 888 817	6 069 709	845 156	26 761	29 830 443
Investments held-to-maturity	692 266	-	-	-	692 266
Other financial assets	392 486	175 220	8 840	35 887	612 433
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	171 442 192	83 846 176	13 014 498	806 471	269 109 337
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES					
Balances of market participants	155 998 689	76 043 996	12 959 631	433 194	245 435 510
Written out option over own shares	21 789 201	_	_	_	21 789 201
Liabilities to repurchase own shares	2 738 315	_	_	_	2 738 315
Distributions payable to holders of securities	2 680 832	_	_	_	2 680 832
Central counterparty financial liabilities	2 638 858	_	_	_	2 638 858
Loans payable	2 561 105	_	_	_	2 561 105
Other financial liabilities	827 357	91 727	63 289	4 238	986 611
TOTAL FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	189 234 357	76 135 723	13 022 920	437 432	278 830 432
Derivatives	7 614 847	(7 614 847)	_	_	_
Open position	(10 177 318)	95 606	(8 422)	369 039	

The following exchange rates are applied during the period:

	Decembe	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	USD	EUR	USD	EUR	
Minimum	28,9468	38,4117	27,2625	39,2752	
Maximum	34,0395	42,2464	32,6799	43,6357	
Average	31,0742	39,9083	29,3948	40,9038	
Period-end	30,3727	40,2286	32,1961	41,6714	

An analysis of sensitivity of profit or loss and equity to changes in the foreign currency exchange rates based on positions existing as at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, and a reasonably possible changes of a 10% change of Russian Rouble to USD and Euro exchange rates is as follows:

	December	December 31, 2011		
	USD	EUR	USD	EUR
	10%	10%	10%	10%
10% rouble appreciation	(14 575)	(9 323)	(7 648)	674
10% rouble depreciation	14 575	9 323	7 648	(674)

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36. Risk Management Policies (continued)

Geographical concentration

All assets of the Group consist of balances on operations in the Russian Federation, except for:

- Correspondent accounts and deposits with top OECD banks, which are reported in cash and cash equivalents (Note 15);
- Other deposits with top OECD banks, which are reported in balances due from financial institutions of as at December 31, 2012: RUB 348 614 thousand (December 31, 2011: RUB 121 213 thousand) (Note 17);
- Balances placed by CJSC PFTS Stock Exchange with one of the top Ukranian banks that are reported in cash and cash equivalents of RUB 274 535 thousand as at December 31, 2012 (December 31, 2011: RUB 290 061 thousand);
- Short-term reverse repo receivable from a financial institution registered in Cyprus (Note 17). The receivable was repaid in January 2013;
- Balances placed by ETS with one of the top Kazakh banks that are reported in cash and cash equivalents of RUB 12 315 thousand as at December 31, 2012 (December 31, 2011: RUB 9 558 thousand).

Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the internal processes, personnel, technology and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit, market and liquidity risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour or IT failure.

The objective is to manage operational risk so as to balance the avoidance of financial losses and damage to the reputation with overall cost effectiveness and avoid control procedures which restrict initiative and creativity.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the oversight of operational risk management, reviewing risk management policies and procedures. The risk assessment, reporting and control procedures vary by exposure type, but share a common methodology developed and updated periodically by the risk management personnel.

Both external and internal risk factors are identified and managed throughout the business units within their functional duties. The primary responsibility for the implementation of controls to address operational risk is assigned to management within each business unit.

37. Subsequent Events

The Group conducted an IPO on February 15, 2013 for total of RUB 15 000 000 thousand. In the course of the IPO 109 090 910 ordinary shares for an amount of RUB 6 000 000 thousand were additionally issued. The put option over own shares lapsed and a financial liability in respect of the put option was derecognised which resulted in an increase of the Group's equity and improvement of financial performance.

Following the IPO a stabilizing agent purchased 27 943 570 own shares of the Group on the market. The shares were then sold to the Group for RUB 1 527 896 thousand.

In March 2013 the Management Board decided to sell SC RTS and initiated a tender to locate a buyer. The subsidiary is available for immediate sale since March 2013. The Group is committed to complete the sale up to August 2013.