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RBI: Publication of FY 2019 results and change in outlook

Raiffeisen Bank International AG (RBI) has revised its outlook due to the changed circumstances affecting the daily environment and the global economy as a result of the measures being taken to limit the spread of COVID-19. The associated constraints are likely to result in a severe recession in the Euro area (assumed -4% GDP in 2020) with negative repercussions for RBI's markets (assumed up to -6% GDP in 2020):

- We are reducing our loan growth expectations for 2020.
- The provisioning ratio for FY 2020 is currently expected to rise to between 50 and 75 basis points, depending on the length and severity of disruption.
- We aim to achieve a cost/income ratio of around 55 per cent in the medium term and are evaluating how the current circumstances will impact the ratio in 2021.
- In the medium term we target a consolidated return on equity of approximately 11 per cent, but are still evaluating the impact of the current environment on profitability in 2020.
- We confirm our CET1 ratio target of around 13 per cent.
- Based on this target we intend to distribute between 20 and 50 per cent of consolidated profit.

RBI has also published its 2019 annual report, which can be found online at <http://ar2019.rbinternational.com>. This does not contain the revised outlook. There were no material changes to the key figures compared to the preliminary numbers published on 6 February 2020:

Monetary values in EUR million	2019	2018	change	2019	2019
Income statement	1-12	1-12		Q4	Q3
Net interest income	3,412	3,362	1.5%	881	866
Net fee and commission income	1,797	1,791	0.3%	489	468
General administrative expenses	(3,093)	(3,048)	1.5%	(848)	(748)
Operating result	2,382	2,330	2.3%	794	580
Impairment losses on financial assets	(234)	(166)	41.2%	(154)	(68)
Profit/loss before tax	1,767	1,753	0.8%	468	465
Profit/loss after tax	1,365	1,398	(2.4)%	380	341
Consolidated profit/loss	1,227	1,270	(3.4)%	353	303
Statement of financial position	31/12	31/12		31/12	30/9
Loans to banks	9,435	9,998	(5.6)%	9,435	9,060
Loans to customers	91,204	80,866	12.8%	91,204	92,574
Deposits from banks	23,607	23,980	(1.6)%	23,607	27,545
Deposits from customers	96,214	87,038	10.5%	96,214	90,701
Equity	13,765	12,413	10.9%	13,765	13,344
Total assets	152,200	140,115	8.6%	152,200	150,805

	2019	2018	change	2019	2019
Key ratios	1-12	1-12		Q4	Q3
Return on equity before tax	14.2%	16.3%	(2.1) PP	15.1%	15.1%
Return on equity after tax	11.0%	12.7%	(1.7) PP	12.3%	11.1%
Consolidated return on equity	11.0%	12.6%	(1.6) PP	12.8%	10.9%
Cost/income ratio	56.5%	56.7%	(0.2) PP	51.7%	56.3%
Return on assets before tax	1.18%	1.33%	(0.15) PP	1.23%	1.24%
Net interest margin (average interest-bearing assets)	2.44%	2.50%	(0.07) PP	2.47%	2.46%
Provisioning ratio (average loans to customers)	0.26%	0.21%	0.06 PP	0.65%	0.32%
Earnings per share in EUR	3.54	3.68	(3.7)%	1.03	0.87
Dividend per share in EUR	1.00	0.93	7.5%	-	-
Bank-specific information	31/12	31/12		31/12	30/9
NPE ratio	2.1%	2.6%	(0.5) PP	2.1%	2.3%
NPE coverage ratio	61.0%	58.3%	2.7 PP	61.0%	60.2%
Risk-weighted assets (total RWA)	77,966	72,672	7.3%	77,966	77,816
Common equity tier 1 ratio (fully loaded)	13.9%	13.4%	0.6 PP	13.9%	13.7%*
Tier 1 ratio (fully loaded)	15.4%	14.9%	0.5 PP	15.4%	14.8%
Total capital ratio (fully loaded)	17.9%	18.2%	(0.3) PP	17.9%	17.4%

*Including YTD results

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Around 47,000 employees service 16.7 million customers through approx. 2,000 business outlets, the by far largest part thereof in CEE. RBI's shares are listed on the Vienna Stock Exchange. The Austrian Regional Raiffeisen Banks own around 58.8 per cent of the shares, the remainder is in free float. Within the Austrian Raiffeisen Banking Group, RBI is the central institute of the Regional Raiffeisen Banks and other affiliated credit institutions.

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