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Net Stable Funding Ratio Disclosures - 31 Dec 2019

In August 2018, the Central Bank of Bahrain issued the regulations on the implementation of the Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) in the Liquidity Module to be applied to banks operating in Bahrain effective from 31st December 2019. The objective of the Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) is to promote the resilience of banks' liquidity risk profiles and to incentivise a more resilient banking sector over a longer time horizon. The NSFR will require banks to maintain a stable funding profile in relation to the composition of their assets and off-balance sheet activities. A sustainable funding structure is intended to reduce the likelihood that disruptions to a bank's regular sources of funding will erode its liquidity position in a way that would increase the risk of its failure and potentially lead to broader systemic stress. The NSFR limits overreliance on short-term wholesale funding, encourages better assessment of funding risk across all on-balance sheet and off-balance sheet items, and promotes funding stability. As per CBB Disclosure requirements, consolidated NSFR is to be published on a quarterly basis.

NSFR is defined as the amount of available stable funding relative to the amount of required stable funding. This ratio must be equal to at least 100 percent. 'Available Stable Funding' is defined as the portion of capital and liabilities expected to be reliable which is determined by various factor weights according to the nature and maturity of liabilities with liabilities having maturity of 1 year or more receiving 100% weight. 'Required Stable Funding' is defined as the portion of on balance sheet and off balance sheet exposures which requires to be funded on an ongoing basis. The amount of such stable funding required is a function of the liquidity characteristics and residual maturities of the various assets held.

AUB maintained comfortable stable funding buffers on December 31, 2019. Available Stable Funding at AUB Group level as of 31 December 2019 was around USD 24.926 billion against USD 21.932 billion of Required Stable Funding, resulting in a consolidated NSFR of 117.0%.

The main drivers behind the Available Stable Funding are the adequate capital base, sizable retail deposit base, and funding from non-financial companies and long term funding from institutional clients. The capital base formed around 22.4%, retail deposits (including deposits from small-sized business customers) formed 23%, and wholesale funding formed 52.5% of the total Available Stable Funding, after applying the relevant weights.

The Required Stable Funding primarily comprised lending to companies, businesses, corporations, retail clients and financial institutions. The stock of High-Quality Liquid Assets (HQLA), which includes cash and reserve balances with the CBB and other central banks, government debt issuances in domestic and foreign currencies as well as debt issuances by highly-rated companies was USD 9.858 Billion. Due to their high quality and liquid characteristic, these assets require no or low amount of stable funding. Accordingly, the HQLA constituted only 8.3% of the Required Stable Funding after applying the relevant weights. Performing loans to both non-financial and financial institutions constituted 66.8% of the total RSF after applying the relevant weights while Non-HQLA investments contributed 11.3% of the total RSF. Other assets and Contingent funding obligations, such as committed credit facilities, guarantees and letters of credit (LCs) constituted the remaining 13.3% of the Required Stable Funding.

The NSFR is supplemented by Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) which measures the Bank's availability of HQLA to support short term liquidity stress situation as defined in the CBB rules. As of 31st December 2019, the Bank's LCR was 327.0% against a minimum limit of 100%.

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Quantitative information on Net stable Funding Ratio is provided in the table below.

NSFR Common Disclosure Template

		For the Period Ending of	n 31-Dec-19			
		Unweighted Values (i.e. before applying relevant factors)				
No.	Item	No specified maturity	Less than 6 months	More than 6 months and less than one year	Over one year	Total weighted value in USD ('000)
Available Stable	Funding (ASF):					
	Capital					
	Regulatory Capital	5,101,682			477,766	5,579,449
3 (Other Capital Instruments				-	-
	Retail deposits and deposits from small business customers:					
5 5	Stable deposits		495,317	411,109	499	861,604
	Less stable deposits		4,950,175	344,716	118,204	4,883,605
	Wholesale funding:			,	<u> </u>	
	Operational deposits		25,096			12,548
9 (Other wholesale funding		16,566,849	6,727,041	4,006,714	13,073,079
	Other liabilities:				<u> </u>	
	NSFR derivative liabilities	48,965				-
	All other liabilities not included in the above categories		666,336	49,884	515,344	515,344
13 7	Total ASF (2+3+5+6+8+9+11+12)					24,925,629
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Required Stable	Funding (RSF):					
	Total NSFR high-quality liquid assets (HQLA)	6,676,527	1,804,534	1,377,616	_	1,768,970
15 I	Deposits held at other financial institutions for	3,0.0,021	2,000,000	3,000,000		3,730,777
C	operational purposes					
	Performing loans and securities:					
	Performing loans to financial institutions secured by Level 1 HQLA					
18 le	Performing loans to financial institutions secured by non- level 1 HQLA and unsecured performing loans to financial institutions	-	3,637,326	632,351	418,333	1,280,107
19 le	Performing loans to non-financial corporate clients, loans to retail and small business customers, and loans to sovereigns, central banks and PSEs, of which:	-	10,519,994	1,866,568	7,443,234	12,453,497
20	- With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% as per the CBB Capital Adequacy Ratio guidelines				332,665	216,232
21 F	Performing residential mortgages, of which:					
22	With a risk weight of less than or equal to 35% under the CBB Capital Adequacy Ratio Guidelines				789,960	513,474
	Securities that are not in default and do not qualify as		327,258	54,095	2,444,093	2,421,235
	HQLA, including exchange-traded equities Other assets:					
25 F	Physical traded commodities, including gold					
	Assets posted as initial margin for derivative contracts and contributions to default funds of CCPs	199,327				169,428
27 N	NSFR derivative assets	49,110				49,110
	NSFR derivative liabilities before deduction of variation margin posted	91,423				91,423
29	All other assets not included in the above categories	314,596	48,647	4,180	1,896,733	2,237,933
30 (OBS items	6,528,310	-	-	-	326,416
31 7	Total RSF (14+15+17+19+22+23+25+26+27+29+30)					21,311,591
22 1	NSFR (%)					117.0%