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Key trends for Europe Key trends for Europe



Overview

- 31% of world GDP in 2010
- Region accounts for c.40% of global trade flows
- Top region globally for FDI inflows and outflows
- 29% share of world AuM

Long-term trends				
Economic relevance	 Europe remains material 24% of World GDP in 2030 10 of top 30 markets in 2050 			
International connectivity	 European trade growing at 3-4 times quicker than GDP 			
Wealth	 By 2030 24% of population aged 65 or over from 17% in 2010 			

Key trends for Europe International connectivity – Europe is the global hub for trade flows

European exports by destination



Notes: Faster Growing Markets defined as Asia (excl. Japan, Australia, New Zealand), Latin America, Middle East North Africa, Central and Eastern Europe Source: Global Insights

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Wealth – An ageing population and increasing number of mass affluent



¹ Based on EU 27

Key trends for Europe

2 Mass affluent are defined as having USD50,000 or more of onshore liquid assets. Specifically excludes life and pensions assets, unquoted equity or any other fixed assets such as property. Source: OECD Factbook 2010, Datamonitor 2010 Wealth Market Database

HSBC (X)

HSBC position and competitive advantages Robust business franchise





1 Excluding "Other" (loss before tax of USD1.6bn in 2010 and USD3.0bn in 2009, profit before tax of USD5.3bn in 2008) RBWM and GBM have not been restated for the transfer of Global Asset Management (AMG) 2 Does nor include AMG



HSBC position and competitive advantages Our International Network is a distinctive advantage

HSBC presence in Europe

Retail Banking and Wealth Management

Established positions in the UK, France, Turkey and Malta

Global Private Banking

- Hub in Switzerland complemented by Monaco, Luxembourg and Channel Islands
- Meaningful domestic presence in UK, Germany and France

Hubs

1 Debt Capital Markets (DCM), Payments and Cash Management (PCM), HSBC Securities Services (HSS)

Commercial Banking

- 19 countries leveraging international connectivity
- Key markets: UK, France, Germany and Turkey



Global Banking and Markets

- 2 hubs: I ondon and Paris
- Strong product capabilities in e.g., DCM, Credit, Rates, FX, PCM, HSS, Project Finance, Export Finance¹





Strategic direction and actions overview



Europe

Be the leading international bank connecting Europe with the rest of the world and capturing Europe's wealth opportunity

1 RBWM	2 СМВ	3 GBM	4 GPB
Focus on selected markets where we have scale and growth opportunity	Drive international and intra-Group connectivity leveraging strong European footprint	Expand franchise across the region by further enhancing product capabilities	Optimise market coverage and create synergies across Europe for domestic and Fastest Growing Markets clients

Increase capital and cost efficiency

Increase operational efficiencies through portfolio rationalisation and sustainable cost savings

1 RBWM: Continue to invest in UK, France and Turkey and rationalise unprofitable businesses



HSBC position			Strategic actions	
C	ise in UK and usiness in Tur	France	ranches eased focus on	Focus investments in UK, France and Turkey and grow our wealth management franchise
 Greece and K 2011 Premier custo Million 	Kazahkstan exp mers in Eurc		ak-even in	Focus on building long term sustainable relationships
2.0	+37% 2.3	2.7	Advance ²	Rationalise portfolio and exit underperforming businesses (e.g., Russia)
0.8 1.2	1.0 1.3	1.5	Premier	
Dec2009 1 PBT has not been restated f 2 Includes former HSBC Plus			nce. Advance was launched in	Continental Europe in 2010 177

10 UK RBWM: Deliver market leading propositions so that customers trust us with their banking and future



Strategic actions
Continue to develop wealth management and insurance capabilities, innovating new product propositions, increasing customer penetration
Leverage Group's global scale and international capabilities (World Selection, Premier Investment Management Services)
Continue to focus on high value customer acquisition and quality mortgage origination
Deliver superior service for all, facilitating investment from sustainable cost savings

3 Source as per note 2. Amongst customers with above-average earnings over last two years

4 Source: Internal Management Information Systems for UK HSBC Brand

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Overall

ID France RBWM: Accelerate Wealth Management strategy



HSBC position	Strategic actions	
 2010 PBT of USD109m. Over 300 branches Strong wealth management franchise: +39% Premier customer acquisition on 2009 RBWM highly integrated with Insurance, Asset 	Strengthen long-term investment solutions (e.g., discretionary mandate, advisory services)	
 HSBC France penetration per customer segment¹ – 2010 %, 2010 	Upgrade RM wealth capabilities and increase face time with customers	
5.0	Optimise cost to serve via a segmented approach and investments in multiple channels	
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Mass affluent Upper affluent

HSBC position

2 CMB: Build upon proven LIB strategy through investment in developed and growth markets



 2010 PBT of USD1,205m
 Presence in 19 countries leveraging pan-European solutions
 Cross-border referral deal value +95% in 2010 to c. USD4bn¹
France – Hong Kong: USD78 IPO in Hong Kong for L'Occit (HSBC France customer) followed by a mandate for

D787m ccitane USD136m secondary placement

Spain-Latin America: MLA, Bookrunner and Agent Bank in a USD150-300m RF facility for Celistics (HSBC Spain customer) to discount receivables from importers in 11 different countries in Latin America



Strategic actions

Focus investments to capture regional and global FDI and trade flows (e.g., Germany)

Strengthen connectivity by selectively extending our footprint (e.g., Switzerland)

Enhance international product platforms and delivery channels (e.g., digital)

Increase collaboration with GBM

HSBC position

23 UK CMB: Become the UK's leading international bank and deliver targeted domestic growth



1 Research undertaken by BDRC Continental for the guarter ended DEC 2010. Competitor peer group: Barclays, RBS (inc. NatWest), Santander and LTSB. Customer turnover £2m to £10m. Statistical significance of data 90-95%

2 Internal Management Information Systems

3 International customer consideration in response to the question: "If you had to change your main business bank or building society relationships over the next year, which banks or building societies would you consider using for your international business?". Source as per note 1





Improve relationship management and product

Strategic actions

2b France, Turkey and Germany CMB



Strategic actions

HSBC position

France	 Competitive distribution network International focus and strong product offering driving CMB performance Number 1 brand for international banking¹ 	 Position HSBC France as the international bank of choice for MMEs³ and larger corporates Develop an innovative multi-channel proposition for SMEs
Turkey	 Relationship management model and international network coverage as key strengths and differentiators Revenues from international customers 3-4 times higher than domestic² 	 Increase penetration and share of wallet with international businesses Improve segmentation and prioritisation
Germany	 Focus on large internationally oriented corporates Significant opportunity to unlock regional and global connectivity 	 Increase wallet penetration of top clients Expand CMB customer base Enhance product range

¹ Research undertaken by TNS Sofres between July and November 2010

² Internal Management Information Systems. International customers include global operator, international subsidiary, local importer/exporter, and international professionals

³ Mid-Market Enterprises

3 GBM Europe: Global connectivity backed by core product capabilities



HSBC position

- 2010 PBT¹ of USD2,726m
- Hub and spoke pan-European geographical coverage (19 countries)
- Comprehensive and integrated product capabilities
 - Particular strength in DCM, Project Finance, PCM, HSS, Credit, Rates, Export Finance and FX

25 January 2011 European Frendel States Facility	18 March 2010	Announced March 2011	8 July 2010
European Financial Stability Facility	Republic of Turkey	Sodiaal and PAI Partners	Republic of Poland
EUR5.0bn	USD2.0bn	EUR1.6bn	EUR1.5bn
2.750% due Jul-2016	6.850% due Jan-2040	Disposal of 51% stake in Yoplait to General Mills	3.875% due Jul-2015
Joint Bookrunner	Joint Bookrunner	Sole financial advisor to Sodiaal	Joint Bookrunner
and the second sec	Best Debt House	in CEE ²	HSBC (X)
EUROMUN	Best Debt House in Turkey ²		HSBC (X)
EUROMONEY	Best Debt House	in Spain ²	HSBC 🚺

Strategic actions

Optimise market coverage: Build on London and Paris hubs, develop FIG and Multinational franchise through selective build-out

Invest in Germany to lead to top positions in selected products (e.g., fixed income, retail equity derivatives, corporate FX)

Enhance product offering by investing in PCM, HSS, Prime Services, Equities and DCM

Increase cross-business collaboration and integration with other customer groups (e.g., Family Office GPB collaboration)

1 PBT has not been restated for the transfer of AMG from GBM to RBWM 2 Source: Euromoney 2010 Awards for Excellence

4 GPB Europe: Optimise market coverage and create synergies across Europe



HSBC position		Strategic actions
 2010 PBT of USD640m, global hub for Leading international private bank in Sw Monaco Meaningful domestic presence in UK, G 	vitzerland and	Leverage intragroup strengths and connectivity with growth markets
 France Product leadership with cross-border ca Net New Money from intra group reference 	apabilities	Scale-up product offerings by leveraging the existing platforms across Europe
USDbn 3.9 3.1	3.6	Drive cost synergies across IT and Operations across and within countries
		Adapt to changing regulatory environment and build out domestic businesses
2008 2009 1 Internal Management Information Systems	2010	- 11

5 Increase Operational Effectiveness



Key cost levers Full cost review in progress. Examples of initiatives:		Estimated savings
Portfolio rationalisation	 Exit underperforming businesses (e.g., RBWM in Russia) 	USDm • 90
Implement consistent Business Models	 Ongoing Service Delivery operational transformation, and consolidation of UK Credit Card operations Global Banking and Markets workforce optimisation and offshoring initiatives 	 90 (2009–10) 50 70-90
Re-engineer functions	 Continue UK head office reengineering across businesses and functions Deployment of CMB in Switzerland with front office staff only 	 130 (2009–10), 40
Re-engineer processes	 UK RBWM¹ and CMB have held adjusted costs² flat since 2008 through successful re-engineering of processes Reengineering initiatives within France including stripping out administrative tasks of RBWM and CMB branches 	• 35
Streamline IT	 Consolidate systems across UK bank Set-up of Global Service Centers in CEE to handle language diversity in Europe (servicing 16 countries) Centralise data centres across Europe 	

1 Not restated for the transfer of AMG from GBM to RBWM

2 Costs excluding underlying adjustments and significant items as per HSBC Bank Plc Annual Report and Accounts (2010)

_{Key take-aways} Europe

Competitive Advantages

Resilient banking franchise

Unique network to connect Mature and Faster Growing Markets

Well-positioned to unlock the wealth management opportunity

Strategic Actions

Consolidate existing strong positions (incl. UK, France, Germany)

Leverage connectivity (CMB, GBM, GPB)

Focus RBWM on selected markets where we have scale

Increase operational efficiencies through portfolio rationalisation and sustainable cost savings



Target RoRWA 1.3%-1.8%

Basis of preparation (1/2)



- Actuals Actual numbers presented are on a reported basis and include the effect of movements in the fair value of HSBC's own debt related to credit spreads
- **AMG** The Global Asset Management business formed part of GBM in 2010, but has been included in RBWM for the RoRWA targets. Comparative data will be presented to reflect this reclassification in the Interim Report 2011
- Asia Data for 'Asia' comprises the sum of reported figures for the Hong Kong and Rest of Asia-Pacific geographical regions without the elimination of inter-segment items
- **Composition of** No changes to the composition of the Group have been assumed other than those described in this presentation
- **Financial targets** Financial targets are prepared on the basis of the Group's accounting policies as set out in the Annual Report and Accounts 2010, and on the basis of tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted as at 31 December 2010. The potential effects on HSBC's operations and performance of the Dodd-Frank Act in the US, the deliberations of the UK Independent Commission on Banking, and a range of evolving regulatory changes which may or may not affect HSBC have not been included in the targets
- Other The main items reported under 'Other' are certain property activities, the estimated impact of the UK bank levy, unallocated investment activities, centrally held investment companies, gains arising from the dilution of interests in associates, movements in the fair value of own debt designated at fair value (the remainder of the Group's gain on own debt is included in GBM) and HSBC's holding company and financing operations. The results also include net interest earned on free capital held centrally, operating costs incurred by the head office operations in providing stewardship and central management services to HSBC, and costs incurred by the Group Service Centres and Shared Service Organisations and associated recoveries

Basis of preparation (2/2)



- **RoE** Return on equity ('RoE') is profit attributable to ordinary shareholders of the parent company divided by average ordinary shareholders' equity
- **RoRWA** The metric, return on risk weighted assets ('RoRWA'), is the profit before tax divided by average RWAs. The RWAs have been calculated using FSA rules for the 2010 metrics. The regional and customer group targets are adjusted for Basel 3 rules specific to the GBM business. In all cases, RWAs or financial metrics based on RWAs for geographical segments or customer groups are on a third party basis and exclude intra-HSBC exposures

RoRWA target for The Europe RoRWA target includes the Group's head office costs, intra-HSBC recharges and the total estimated impact of the UK bank levy

- **RoRWA target for** No RoRWA target has been set for the 'Other' customer group as it is not considered to be a meaningful **'Other'** measure in terms of performance assessment and resource allocation
- **RWAs for the** mainland China associates RWAs for the mainland China associates have been reallocated from the 'Other' customer group to RBWM, CMB and GBM to align better with the basis for the allocation of their profits. This represents a reclassification from the basis used in HSBC's 2010 Pillar 3 Disclosures. Comparative customer group RWAs will be presented on the new basis in the Interim Report 2011

Acronyms and definitions



A/D ratio Advance	Ratio of customer advances to customer deposits HSBC Advance, a global banking proposition for the mass-affluent segment of customers
AFS	Available for sale
AMG	Global Asset Management
APS	Asset Protection Scheme
ASEAN	The Association of South East Asian Nations
ASP	Asia-Pacific
AUM	Assets under management
BoCom	Bank of Communications Co., Limited, mainland China's fourth largest bank by market capitalisation
bps	Basis points (a basis point is 1/100 of a percentage point)
BSM	Balance Sheet Management, a division of Global Banking and Markets
CAGR	Compound annual growth rate
CER	The cost efficiency ratio is total operating expenses divided by net operating income before loan impairment charges and other credit risk provisions
CHF	Swiss franc
СМВ	Commercial Banking customer group
CML	Consumer and Mortgage Lending
CoEs	Centres of excellence
Core Tier 1 capital	The highest quality form of regulatory capital that comprises total shareholders' equity and related non- controlling interests, less goodwill and intangible assets and certain other regulatory adjustments
CRD	Capital Requirements Directive
CRM	Customer relationship management
CVA	Credit valuation adjustment
DCM	Debt capital markets
DTA	Deferred tax asset
EBA	European Banking Authority
ECA	Export credit agency
EM	Emerging markets
EMEA	Europe, Middle East and Africa
ESMA	European Securities and Markets Authority

ETF	Exchange traded funds	N
EU	European Union	0
FCA	UK Financial Conduct Authority	0
FDI	Foreign direct investment	PI
FIG	Financial Institutions Group	P
FPC	UK Financial Policy Committee	
FRB	Federal Reserve Board	PI
FSA	Financial Services Authority	PI
FSB	Financial Stability Board	PI
FVOD	Fair value of own debt related to credit spreads	Pi
FX	Foreign exchange	R
GBM	Global Banking and Markets global business	
GDP	Gross Domestic Product	R
GPB	Global Private Banking global business	R
GTB	Global Transaction Banking	R
нк	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China	R R
HNWI	High net worth individuals	SI
HSS	HSBC Securities Services	SI
ICB	Independent Commission on Banking	S
IPO	Initial public offering	T/
IT	Information technology	Ti
KYC	Know your customer	
LC	Letters of credit	
LIC	Loan impairment charges	
M&A	Mergers and acquisitions	
Mainland China	People's Republic of China excluding Hong Kong	UI UI
MENA	Middle East and North Africa	U
MLA	Mandated lead arranger	Va
MMEs	Mid-market enterprises	
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement	
NNM	Net new money	Y

NYSE	New York Stock Exchange
000	Office of the Comptroller of Currency
отс	Over the counter
РВТ	Profit before tax
РСМ	Payment and Cash Management, a division of Global Banking and Markets
PFS	Personal Financial Services
PPI	Payment protection insurance
PRA	UK Prudential Regulation Authority
Premier	HSBC's premium global banking service
RBWM RMs	Retail Banking and Wealth Management global business, which comprises the existing Personal Financial Services customer group and Global Asset Management Relationship managers
RMB	Renminbi
ROE	Return on equity
RoRWA	Pre-tax return on risk weighted assets
RWAs	Risk weighted assets
SIFIs	Systemically Important Financial Institutions
SMEs	Small and medium-sized enterprises
STP	Straight through processing
TARP	Troubled Asset Relief Program
Tier 2 capital	A component of regulatory capital, comprising qualifying subordinated loan capital, related non-controlling interests, allowable collective impairment allowances and unrealised gains arising on the fair valuation of equity instruments held as available-for-sale. Tier 2 capital also includes reserves arising from the revaluation of properties Ultra high net worth individuals
UK	United Kingdom
US	United States of America
VaR YoY	Value at risk: a measure of the loss that could occur on risk positions as a result of adverse movements in market risk factors (e.g. rates, prices, volatilities) over a specified time horizon and to a given level of confidence Year on year