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Capital and Financial targets

Investor Day

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Committed to delivering on our financial targets

1 Capital

2 Returns

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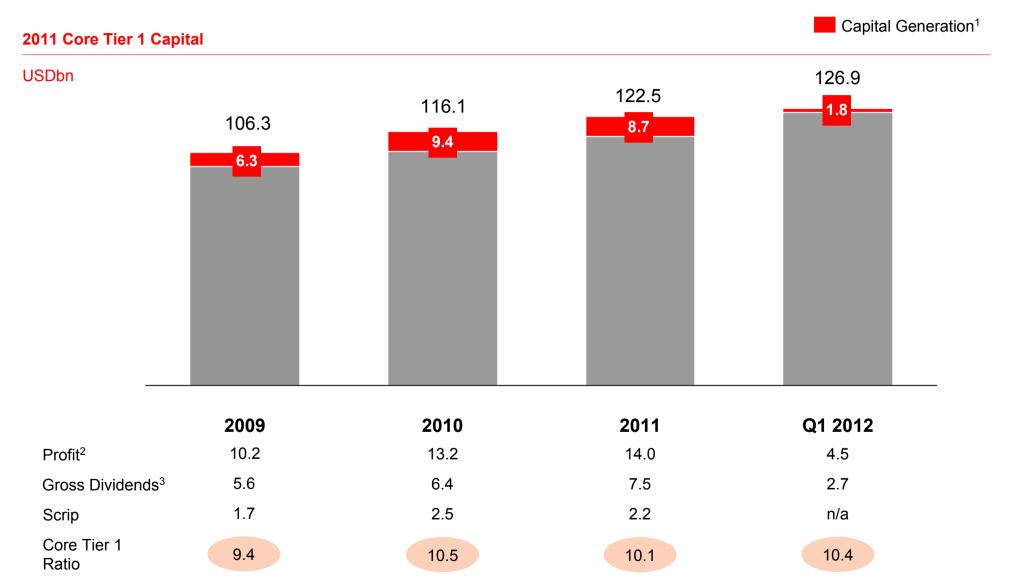
Financial strength

		Key Metrics	2011 ¹	Q1 2012 ¹
	Capital & Liquidity	Core Tier 1 Ratio (%)	10.1	10.4
		Dividends (USD per ordinary share) ²	0.41	0.09
		ADR (%)	75.0	74.8
	Returns	PBT (USDbn)	21.9	4.3
		RoE (%)	10.9	6.4
		RoRWA (%)	1.9	1.4
	Efficiency	CER (%)	57.5	63.9
		CER (%) (underlying)	61.0	55.5
		Sustainable Saves Achieved (USDbn)	0.9	0.3

⁽¹⁾ On a reported basis unless otherwise stated

⁽²⁾ Dividends in respect of the year/quarter

Capital generation through the cycle

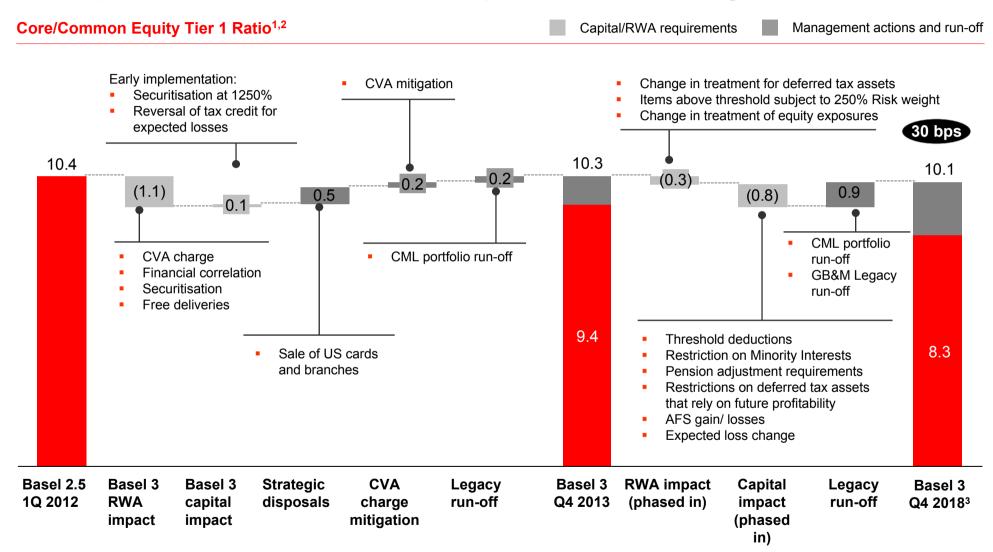


⁽¹⁾ Capital generation is calculated as profit attributable to shareholders excluding changes in fair value on own debt related to credit spread changes (net of tax), less declared dividends net of scrip

⁽²⁾ Profit attributable to shareholders excluding changes in fair value on own debt related to credit spread changes (net of tax)

⁽³⁾ Dividends declared

Simulated effect of full Basel 3 rules on HSBC 1Q 2012 Core Tier 1 capital ratio exclusive of future profit or business growth

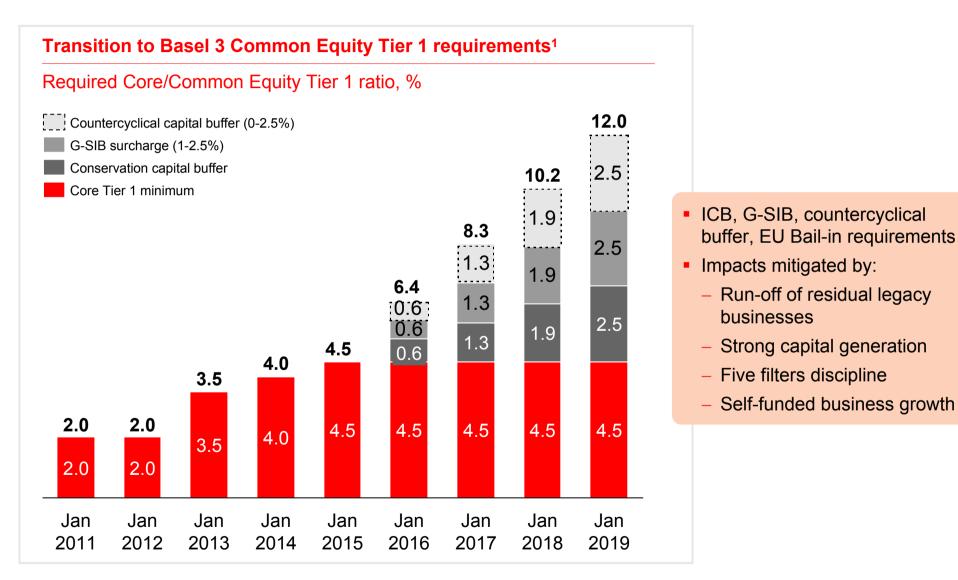


⁽¹⁾ No capital generation, no business growth included

⁽²⁾ Based on current accounting rules

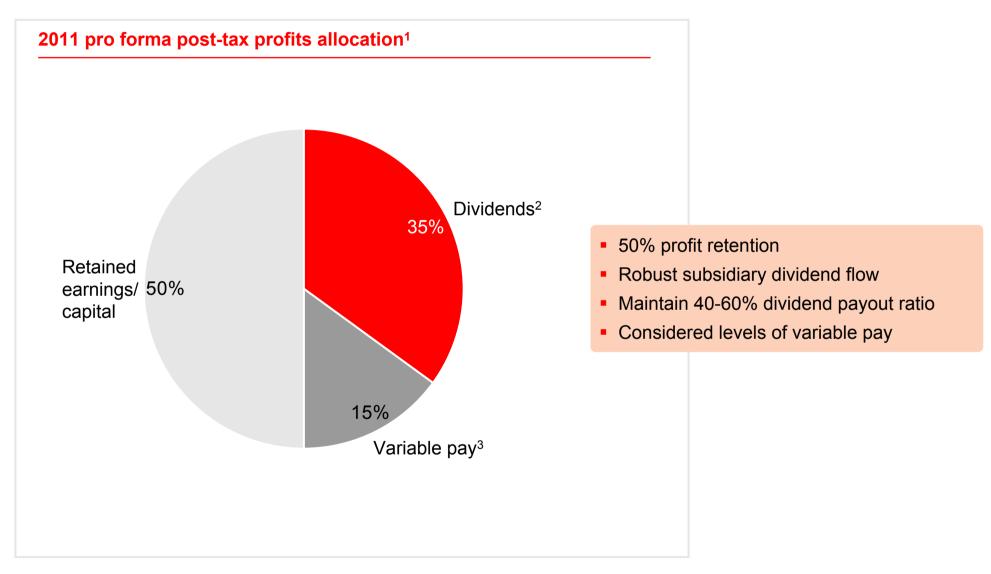
⁽³⁾ March 2012 position after strategic disposals and certain management actions on expected 2018 regulatory basis

Beyond 2013: continued regulatory uncertainty



⁽¹⁾ Does not include requirements proposed by UK Independent Commission on Banking or the proposed EU debt write-down requirements ('bail-in')

Dividends/Earnings usage

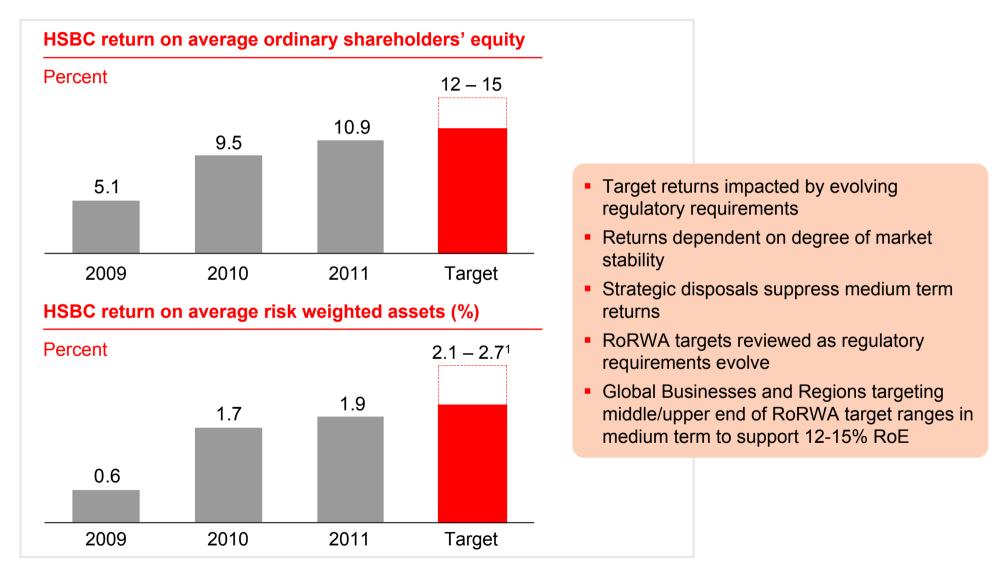


⁽¹⁾ Attributable profits excluding changes in fair value on own debt related to credit spread changes (net of tax) and before variable pay distributions

⁽²⁾ Inclusive of dividends to holders of other equity instruments and net of scrip issuance

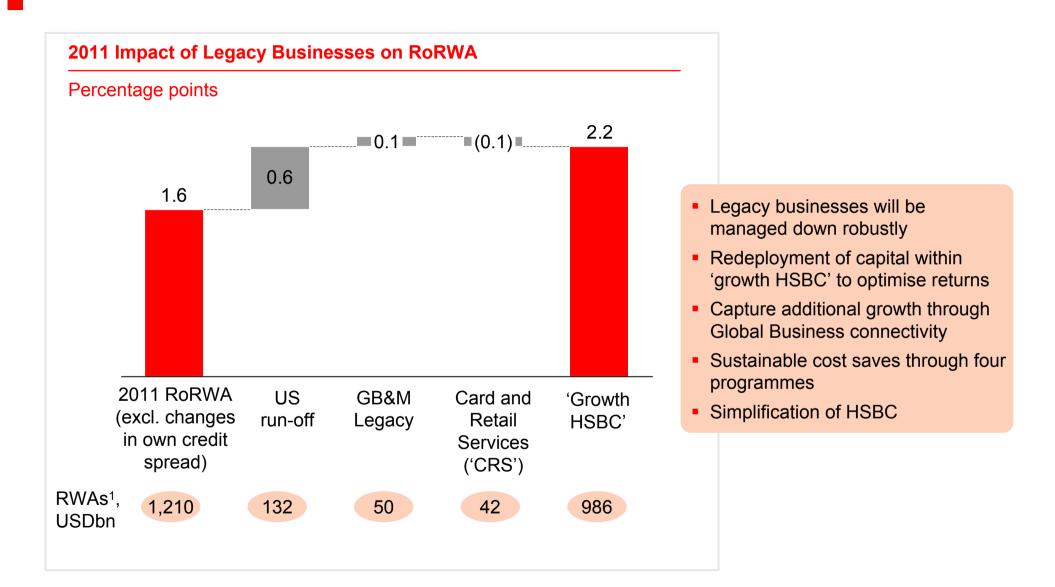
⁽³⁾ Total variable pay pool for 2011 net of tax and portion to be delivered by the award of HSBC shares

2 Lower end of 12-15% RoE expected in the medium term

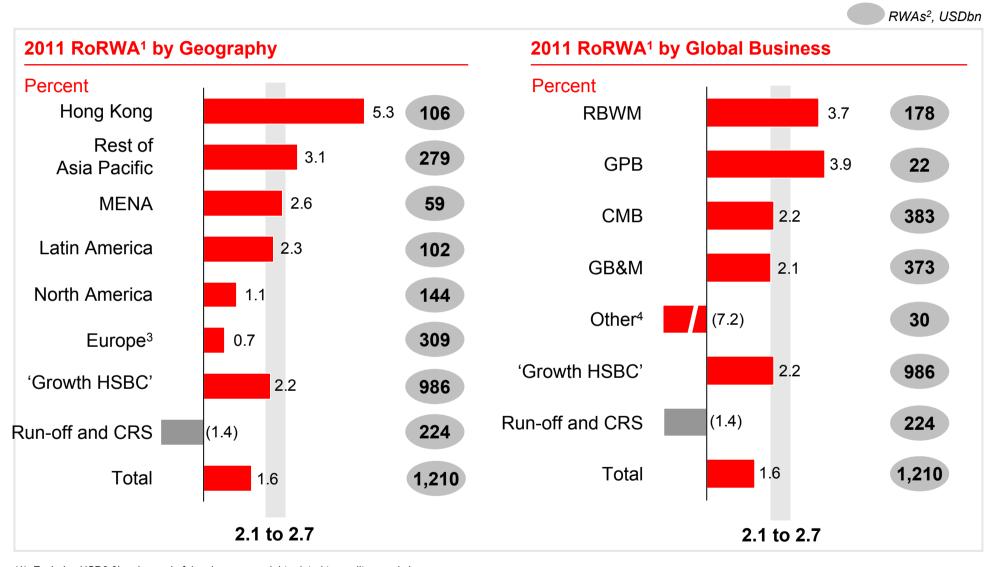


⁽¹⁾ Assuming a core tier 1 ratio of 10.5% (on a transitional Basel 3 basis)

Focus on building returns in growth businesses



2011 RoRWA by Geography and Global Business ('growth HSBC')



⁽¹⁾ Excludes USD3.9bn change in fair value on own debt related to credit spread changes

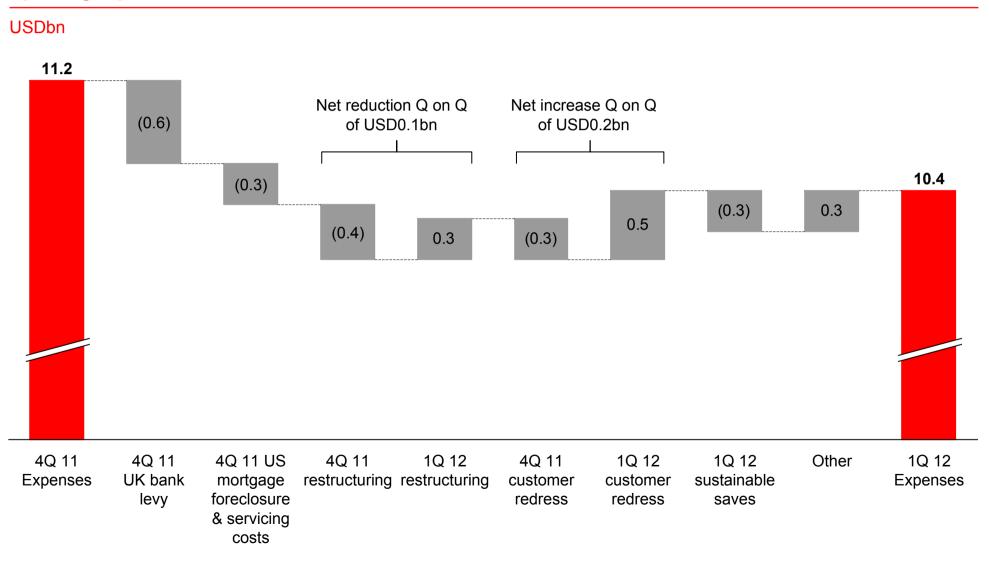
⁽²⁾ RWAs as at December 2011. RWAs are non-additive across geographical regions due to market risk diversification effects within the Group

⁽³⁾ Europe includes the Group's head office costs, intra HSBC recharges and the total impact of the UK bank levy

⁽⁴⁾ Main items reported in other are the UK bank levy, unallocated investment activities, and certain property related activities. It also includes 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 Services Centres and Shared Services Organisations and associated recoveries.

3 2011 and 1Q 2012 impacted by a number of notable items

Operating Expenses – 4Q 2011 to 1Q 2012

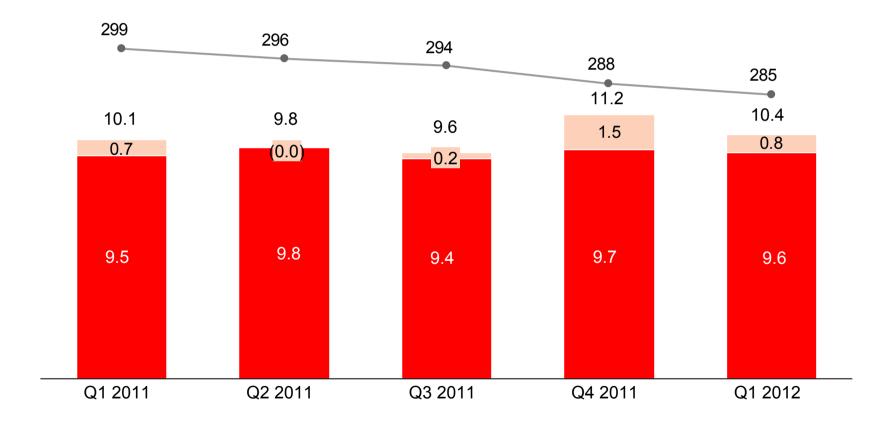


Quarterly progression in operating expenses and FTE

Operating Expenses¹ and FTE

→ FTE, 000's Notable Items, USDbn² Operating Expenses excl. notable items, USDbn

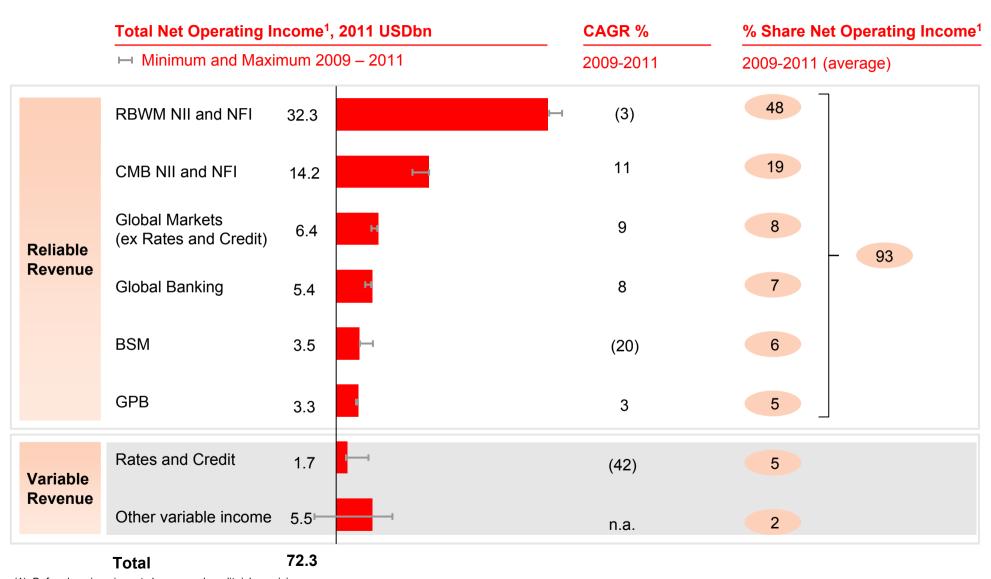
USDbn; FTE



⁽¹⁾ At constant currency

⁽²⁾ Notable cost items are as presented on page 29 on the 2011 Annual Report and Accounts

Robust revenue base: over 90% of income from reliable revenue streams



3 Continuous progress: 48-52% CER.....a KPI

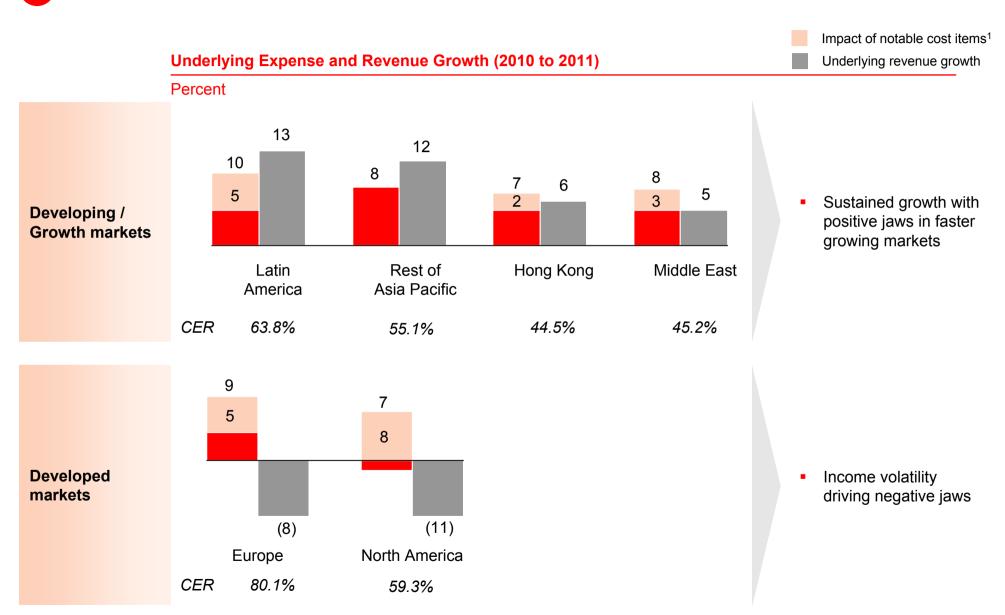
Operating Income drivers, USDbn **BSM** 2011 variability Disposals and Revenue 2011 Net **Economic Operating** run-off factors growth Income Wealth management CRS. US **Expected lower** Policy rates/NII **FVOD** CMB/GBM connectivity branches annual return of GDP NOHs c. USD3.0bn US and GB&M Other business growth Other run-off **USD72.3** USD(2.8)1 USD(0.5) USD1.6³ USD5.24 USD(5.5)² **Operating Expense drivers, USDbn** 2011 Operating 2011 notable Sustainable Disposals and **Economic Expenses** run-off factors items saves Investment in Target range of CRS. US Wage inflation.... Restructuring growth markets USD2.5-3.5 less branches.... Customer redress with positive 2011 saves US and GB&M run-Bank levy jaws off Pension credit ... **USD41.5** USD(2.4) USD(1.8)² USD(1.6-2.6) Delivering sustainable cost saves & targeted revenue growth achieves CER in 48-52% range

^{(1) 2011} underlying revenue items of USD4.2bn partly offset by USD1.4bn unfavourable movement on the fair value of non qualifying hedges (NQHs)

^{(2) 2011} revenue/operating expense contribution of Cards and Retail Services only

⁽³⁾ Illustrative effect on future net interest income of an incremental 25 bps parallel rise in all yield curves worldwide at the beginning of each quarter during the 12 months from 1 January 2012

Cost growth focused on growth markets with positive jaws



Key messages

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Definitions (1/2)

Please refer to the 2011 Annual Report and Accounts for the definition of terms used in this presentation. Set out below, are the definitions of terms not defined in the 2011 Annual Report and Accounts.

RoRWA

The metric, return on risk weighted assets ('RoRWA'), is defined as profit before tax divided by average risk weighted assets ('RWAs'). RWAs have been calculated using FSA rules for the 2009, 2010 and 2011 metrics. In all cases, RWAs or financial metrics based on RWAs for geographical segments or Global Businesses include associates, are on a third party basis and exclude intra- HSBC exposures.

Capital Generation

Capital Generation is defined as profit attributable to shareholders' of the parent company excluding changes in fair value of own debt related to credit spread changes (net of tax), less dividends declared net of scrip dividends.

FVOD

Changes in fair value due to movements in own credit spread on long-term debt issued

Other Global Business

'Other' contains the full impact of the bank levy, the results of certain property transactions, unallocated investment activities, centrally held investment companies, movements in the fair value of own debt, central support and functional costs with associated recoveries, HSBC's holding company and financing operations.

Europe

Europe geographic segment includes the Group's head office costs, intra-HSBC recharges and the total impact of the UK bank levy

Definitions (2/2)

Run-off Run-off includes Legacy Credit in GB&M and North America consumer lending and mortgage

run-off portfolios.

CRS Card and Retail Services.

Growth HSBC The term 'Growth HSBC' is used in an analysis of HSBC's results, showing the effect of

disposals and run-off portfolios separately from the rest of the Group. Refer to the footnotes on slide 21 of the Group Strategy presentation and slide 10 of the Capital and Financial Targets

presentation for more details

Home markets The term 'Home markets' refers to our principal existing markets in Hong Kong and the United

Kingdom.

Priority growth Priority growth ma

markets

Priority growth markets are Australia, Mainland China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Vietnam, France, Germany Switzerland, Turkey, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, United Arab

Emirates, Canada, United States of America, Argentina, Brazil and Mexico.

Network

markets

Network markets are further HSBC markets with high relevance for international connectivity.

Small markets Small markets are markets where HSBC has profitable scale and/or focussed operations,

subscale markets foreseen for exit and representative offices.