Banca Popolare di Sondrio (SUISSE)

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Regazzoni's Ferrari 312 B2 taking off at the German Grand Prix, Nürburgring, 1971.

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Truly a great driver, able to push any car to its limits. PATRICK TAMBAY This report is available in English, Italian, German and French. In the German version, the Chairman's Foreword is also translated into Romansh. Banca Popolare di Sondrio (SUISSE)

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Introduction

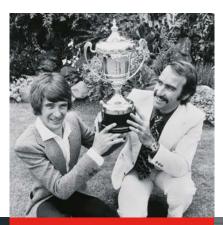
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I was born by Lake Como, Clay by Lake Lugano: same roots, same dialect, just a stone's throw away from each other. We were very close and made fun of each other all the time. You could have a laugh with him. ARTURO MERZARIO

TROL

Above:

Clay with Arturo Merzario holding the trophy he won at the Kyalami 9 Hours (South Africa) for the second time running in 1972. Below:

CASTROL

Clay in the Ferrari 312 PB at the Brands Hatch 1,000 km (UK), 1972.

CHAIRMAN'S FOREWORD

At the start of a new year, after all the ceremonial well-wishing, hand-shaking and glass-raising is over, we turn to reflect on all that has happened over the past 365 days and on our expectations for the days to come.

The terrifying images of the attacks that robbed yet more lives in several European cities in 2017, spreading fear and uncertainty, are still fresh in all of our minds. Neither can we forget the numerous shipwrecks in the Mediterranean and the tragic loss of those on board: people in search of a better future, far away from war and persecution. A real tragedy.

As for the economy, and the global economy in particular, it is fair to say that the past year has been a positive one for Russia, India and China, while Brazil is now out of the running. The eurozone countries and the US have enjoyed a healthy recovery which is gradually being consolidated, sparking hope for further progress.

Before addressing Switzerland's performance in the year under review, it is worth noting that Switzerland and Italy have always maintained close and profitable ties in the political, cultural (Italian is one of Switzerland's official languages) and economic/ financial spheres. Trade between the two countries is worth EUR 300 billion. Italy ranks third among Switzerland's commercial partners, while Switzerland is Italy's seventh largest export market. And that is not all. Every year, various small, viable businesses arrive in Switzerland from neighbouring Italy along with a considerable number of workers known for their reliability, adaptability and good will.

As regards the country as a whole, it is also worth noting how economic robustness and political stability, coupled with innovative capability, legal certainty and a balanced taxation system, have earned Switzerland top marks from credit-rating agency Standard and Poor's, which awarded the country the enviable long-term triple A rating.

Gross domestic product (GDP) increased by 1%, slightly lower year on year given the rather weak performance of some service sectors. The pleasing rate of growth was primarily down to an increase in production, a rise in domestic consumption and a welcome climb in exports equal to roughly 5% of more than CHF 200 billion.

Although demand for housing plummeted, causing a corresponding drop in relative values and rental costs, the real estate sector performed well, providing a boost to numerous ancillary businesses too.

The Swiss franc remained robust and continues to enjoy a reputation as a safe currency. The exchange rate against the euro and US dollar stood at 1.1707 and 0.9735 respectively at year end.

Despite the positive picture on the production front, unemployment decreased only slightly from 3.3% in 2016 to 3.2% in the year under review. It still remains low, however. The story is a little different as regards inflation, which rose by more than 0.5% in comparison to less than 0.4% last year.

The bank has demonstrated that it can keep with the times and has worked extremely hard, placing a special focus on retail, private banking and all of its banking and financial services. We are delighted to call ourselves a Swiss bank with Italian roots; Swiss not just in terms of the law but also in the way we serve those of our clients who live in Switzerland. These are of course the Swiss people and the many first-, second- and third-generation Italians for whom Switzerland, with its unique quality of life, has become home – people whose integration has been cultivated by a common history with the region where our parent company was founded and now operates. "Giving is receiving" is our philosophy. Efforts have been made to channel the money saved back into the same regions the bank serves and, where possible and with all due caution, to make it available to the real economy and to families in the form of loans and credit lines. Specifically, total customer deposits rose by 2% year on year to CHF 4.882 billion. Lendings have risen by 5% since 2016, now standing at CHF 3.909 billion net of provisions.

Very low interest rates and only marginal earnings across the board have not exactly aided the activities of banks like ours. However, we have managed to offset this well thanks to the forward-looking decisions proposed by our committed and expert managers and, where possible, by cutting costs. This way of working has proved effective and has meant that net profit for the year has increased by 18% on the previous year to CHF 14.209 million.

In February 2017, we opened a branch in the prestigious centre of Martigny in the canton of Valais – an industrious town and a popular destination for international tourists too, which has some similarities with Valtellina, if only because of its abundance of vineyards and the surrounding landscape. With the addition of the new branch, BPS (SUISSE) SA counted 20 offices as at 31 December 2017, including the external Monaco branch opened in the eponymous principality, plus the virtual Direct Banking Branch in Lugano.

The bank's staff numbered 316 as at the end of last December, having been bolstered by a further nine recruits. Our staff are well-trained, motivated and accommodating.

With this brief review aside, I would firstly like to thank the Board of Directors and express my gratefulness to the Executive Board and all of my colleagues.

My heartfelt thanks go to FINMA, the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority, which has overseen our work carefully and in a spirit of cooperation.

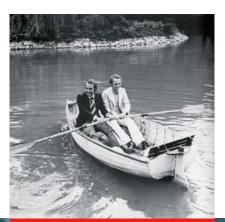
A word of thanks also goes to our external auditors at EY, who signed the first report of their mandate this year.

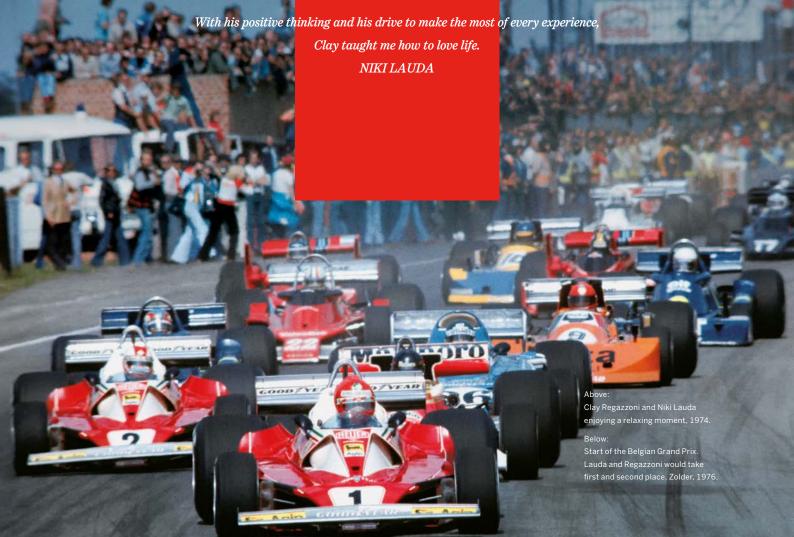
Our clients also deserve a special thank you. They are the lifeblood that allows the bank to continue on its path of success and to pursue further growth to the benefit of us all.

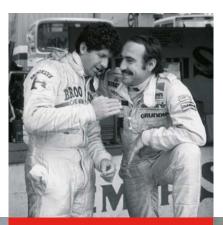
I wish each and every one of you all the very best for a healthy and fulfilling 2018.

Lugano, 1 January 2018

Chairman Mario Alberto Pedranzini







I remember when I w<mark>on with Ferrari in Monaco in 1979. And</mark> how, with Williams, he did everything t<mark>o close the gap. He got closer and closer</mark> until he was glued to my car. But thankfully the race was already over! JODY SCHECKTER

Above

Jody Scheckter and Clay Regazzoni at the Argentine Grand Prix, Buenos Aires, 1979.

Below: Start of the Belgian Grand Prix. Regazzoni's Ferrari side-by-side with Scheckter's Tyrrell, Nivelles-Baulers, 1974.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

International panorama

2017 saw economic growth strengthen and consolidate almost across the board, with expanding global trade helping to reduce unemployment.

However, the extent of the recovery varied somewhat between, and even within, individual sectors of the economy.

News and signals from abroad are providing food for thought. The US administration's tax reforms and deregulation efforts are geared towards boosting so-called corporate America. What ramifications these will have on the international stage is hard to gauge.

Meanwhile, the situation facing the countries of Europe remains complicated as a result of the marked political and economic differences between them on various issues. The Gordian knot that is Brexit has yet to be cut and the debt levels of some EU states are raising questions over how long things can continue like this.

Central banks are proving extremely reluctant to reverse their loose monetary policies, which have distorted prices on some markets. This is symptomatic of the competent authorities' fears concerning the risks that could torpedo the recovery, especially given certain systemic weaknesses.

The US Federal Reserve looks set to stick to its policy following the inauguration of its new Chair, and the dollar is expected to rise in step with US economic growth.

Central banks now have record-high stockpiles of assets on their balance sheets, leading the markets to anticipate (and even price in) a gradual withdrawal from these kinds of investment, even if this will have a barely noticeable impact on share prices. Following an extremely positive 2017 for the stock markets, prospects remain good overall.

Businesses have benefited from the sustained period of loose monetary policy, which has enabled them to obtain funds more cheaply than ever before. The pace of innovation, coupled with the emergence of new business models in both industry and the service sector could revolutionise the economic system in the medium term and usher in a new understanding of global production. The markets seem to be eyeing the opportunities more so than the potential risks.

Raw material prices experienced significant volatility due to the economic cycle, the impact of natural disasters and the political instability in some producer countries.

Switzerland: the economy and the financial system

The economic recovery has been satisfactory, chiefly thanks to the fast pace of export activity driven by the global economy and the Swiss franc's fall against the euro.

The prospects are rosy, with estimates repeatedly being revised upwards. The mood of greater confidence has helped to encourage investment and consumer spending. Engaged in their restructuring and revitalisation activities, companies have shown remarkable resilience. It is no coincidence that Switzerland regularly occupies the top spots in innovation and competitiveness rankings. The excellent business environment that the country offers is consistently seen as one of its distinguishing features.

The real estate sector paints a largely reassuring picture, albeit with some problems in certain regions and for certain property classes, which have seen a modest fall in prices. The regulators deserve recognition for having engineered a soft landing without any major imbalances during difficult years.

Inflation has risen back into positive territory, mirroring the global trend, while unemployment has remained low and has also fallen slightly.

Despite these developments, the Swiss National Bank has stuck to its monetary policy, reiterating its intention to keep on intervening on the markets where required.

The financial industry has been impacted by the restructuring prompted by the paradigm shift in the private banking sector as it works to incorporate the requirements for transparency in international tax matters. Expectations regarding the opening of foreign markets to Swiss financial institutions have so far been disappointed, casting a shadow on business development and profitability. Contrary to the reassuring pronouncements made at European level, various related questions still remain unanswered, such as the issue of regulatory equivalence.

Elsewhere, the financial system is increasingly having to tackle the challenges broadly linked to the innovations being unleashed by the so-called fintechs.

There is a fear that the giants of IT, communications and the Internet could become involved in the financial sector in a big way, causing major upheaval. Of course, we are aware that the onward march of technology has already had a hitherto unforeseen impact on the balance of power between supply and demand for financial services as far as clients and consumers are concerned.

It is the traditional forms of business that are perceived to be at risk, either because transactions are more easily automated and are becoming a commodity in themselves or because "roboadvisors" are able to offer extremely sophisticated, Al-driven solutions to clients seeking advice. Ultimately, the relationship manager – i.e. the human element who uses the new technologies to select investments – will continue to play a key role, at least for a certain type of client. However, banks will have to focus their efforts on tailoring their offering to their various demand segments.

Potential strategies include implementing an integrated digital banking system and thus playing to their strengths such as their available capital, their client base, their skills set and the protection afforded by law to depositors and investors.

Performance during the year

BPS (SUISSE) focused its management activities on developing its core business along clear lines geared towards achieving its key medium- and long-term objectives.

This strategy also involved promoting projects and initiatives designed to ensure high quality standards in client service in response to evolving requirements and expectations.

To support these changes, the Bank pursued a policy of downsizing its commercial presence outside the main urban centres while boosting its expertise and efficiency, with specialists from head office on hand to overlap and dovetail with staff on the ground. Our network was enhanced in February 2017 when we opened a new branch in Martigny. This is a real milestone as it marks our first presence in the canton of Valais, and it is pleasing to see that we have been well received. We hope to replicate the positive experience we have enjoyed in Neuchâtel, also in French-speaking Switzerland.

Our regional structure now comprises 20 brick-and-mortar offices based in seven cantons and the Principality of Monaco alongside our *Direct Banking* virtual branch.

Information technology is one of our priorities, not least because of the breadth of its scope.

During the year under review, we launched a new loan procedure that will allow many more mortgage-related tasks to be automated, thus increasing efficiency by reducing the time required to work through dossiers and manage operational risks.

Significant investments were made in various upgrades to *GoBanking*, the online banking system at BPS (SUISSE), which combined image with technical functionality and laid firm foundations suitable for providing adequate support to future enhancements.

Numerous projects to modernise operations "behind the scenes" were completed, some of which had been prompted by the need to incorporate new regulatory provisions or by the requirements of our banking group.

We also made major investments in training our staff. The process required to develop qualified client advisors is currently being implemented following a multi-year programme that complies with the regulations set out by our industry associations. Various modernisation measures are planned for our training setup.

The Bank's growth also brought about an increase in its workforce, which had climbed to 316 at the end of the financial year (+9 since the previous year).

Customer deposits rose by 2% to CHF 4,881,900,000, underpinned by indirect deposits and assets under management. Direct deposits amounted to CHF 3,008,600,000 (-3%), while indirect deposits increased to CHF 1,873,300,000 (+12%).

Popso (Suisse) Investment Fund SICAV, the fund established under Luxembourg law that we manage, holds total assets worth CHF 764,700,000 (+12%).

Our 3rd-pillar pension foundation Life Benefit has assets consisting wholly of liquid investments in the amount of CHF 204,600,000 (-17%).

Encouraging growth in lendings was achieved while keeping a handle on the level of risk. Total assets stood at CHF 3,909,000,000 net of provisions (+5%). Mortgages, nearly all of them homeowner loans, accounted for CHF 3,473,000,000 (+6%) of this figure, while other amounts due from clients totalled CHF 436,100,000.

Deposits in the amount of CHF 354,500,000 (+29%) held via the central mortgage bond institution *Pfandbriefbank schweizerischer Hypothekarinstitute AG* benefited from preferential terms thanks to the institution's top rating.

The fruits of our labour are illustrated in the income statement, which reveals significant growth year on year.

Boosted by higher volumes under management and more favourable terms for refinancing existing obligations, the *Net result from interest operations* amounted to CHF 43,200,000 (+11%).

Net commission and service income fell to CHF 24,183,000 (-4%), whilst commission income from securities trading held up well thanks to the good work done in Private Banking. Income from other services dropped as some sources of earnings from extraordinary operations in the previous year no longer applied.

The Result from trading activities and the fair value option came to CHF 23,349,000 (+7%), a particularly satisfying level in absolute terms as well. The contribution from ordinary client operations increased in line with the trend in assets under management, while that from foreign currency swaps also rose despite interest rate differentials being lower than expected.

Operating expenses amounted to CHF 67,763,000 (+3%). Personnel expenses rose to CHF 45,842,000 (+3%) as a result of the increased headcount and the formation of taskforces for specific projects. Similarly, general and administrative expenses also increased, up by 2% to CHF 21,920,000.

The item *Changes to provisions and other value adjustments, and losses* was positive at CHF 2,945,000 during the year under review following the release of provisions that were no longer required. The impact on the income statement was offset by bringing projects and IT developments forward and by subjecting assets acquired to accelerated depreciation.

The Operating result stood at CHF 18,530,000 (+18%).

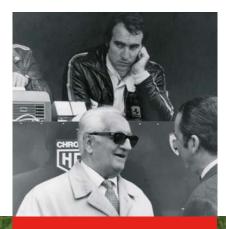
Net profit for the year came to CHF 14,209,000 (+18%).

In view of the Bank's medium-term targets and following the general strategy of the Group of which it forms part, the Board of Directors recommends to the General Meeting of Shareholders that the net profit be allocated in full, i.e. in the amount of CHF 361,289,000 (+4%), to the statutory retained earnings reserve in accordance with article 22 of the Articles of Association. In line with the regulations set out to date by our parent bank, this sum is to be used to strengthen our asset base and enhance the sustainability aspect of the development plan for future operations.

We would very much like to thank the supervisory authority FINMA, our new external auditors EY (Ernst & Young), our clients, our personnel and, last but not least, our parent bank, Banca Popolare di Sondrio.

Lugano, 5 February 2018

The Board of Directors



He was a dancer, viveur, playboy and a driver in his spare time: that's how I described Clay. ENZO FERRARI

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Clay deep in thought, sitting behind Enzo Ferrari, 1970.

Clay standing next to Lauda's Ferrari 312 B3, 1974. Banca Popolare di Sondrio (SUISSE)

2017 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017 (WITH 2016 COMPARATIVE FIGURES)

ASSETS

in CHF	Note	2017	2016	Change
Liquid assets		687 288 547	744 365 898	(57 077 351)
Amounts due from banks		283 017 336	402 831 405	(119 814 069)
Amounts due from customers	2	436 103 479	435 224 929	878 550
Mortgage loans	2	3 472 727 021	3 288 027 752	184 699 269
Positive replacement values of derivative financial instruments	4	81 721 702	8 975 089	72 746 613
Financial investments	5	60 859 460	51 489 235	9 370 225
Accrued income and prepaid expenses		6 978 292	5 523 458	1 454 834
Participations	6,7	1 190 728	1 190 728	-
Tangible fixed assets	8	18 310 438	23 167 603	(4 857 165)
Other assets	10	31 064 333	45 584 416	(14 520 083)
Total assets		5 079 261 336	5 006 380 513	72 880 823
Total subordinated claims		-	-	-

LIABILITIES

in CHF	Note	2017	2016	Change
Amounts due to banks		1 296 201 267	1 173 829 277	122 371 990
Amounts due in respect of customer deposits		2 951 841 457	2 959 351 387	(7 509 930)
Negative replacement values of derivative financial instruments	4	29 610 703	67 342 270	(37 731 567)
Cash bonds	15	56 772 000	153 001 000	(96 229 000)
Bond issues and central mortgage institution loans	15	354 500 000	274 900 000	79 600 000
Accrued expenses and deferred income		18 111 139	19 011 554	(900 415)
Other liabilities	10	4 774 365	4 017 971	756 394
Provisions	16	6 161 481	7 847 365	(1 685 884)
Reserve for general banking risks	16	15 000 000	15 000 000	-
Share capital	17	180 000 000	180 000 000	-
Statutory capital reserve		-	-	-
Statutory retained earnings reserve		152 079 689	140 011 976	12 067 713
Voluntary retained earnings reserves		-	-	-
Profit/Loss (result of the period)		14 209 235	12 067 713	2 141 522
Total liabilities		5 079 261 336	5 006 380 513	72 880 823
Total subordinated liabilities		-	-	-

OFF-BALANCE-SHEET ITEMS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017 (WITH 2016 COMPARATIVE FIGURES)

in CHF	Note	2017	2016	Change
Contingent liabilities	2,28	187 602 390		(10 725 816)
Irrevocable commitments	2	21 930 900	23 057 993	(1 127 093)
Derivative financial instruments	4	2 959 827 062	3 219 540 638	(259 713 576)
Positive replacement values, gross		81 721 702	8 975 089	
Negative replacement values, gross		29 610 703	67 342 270	(37 731 567)
Fiduciary transactions	30	51 823 148	34 919 733	16 903 415

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INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE 2017 FINANCIAL YEAR (WITH 2016 COMPARATIVE FIGURES)

in CHF	Note	2017	2016	Change
Interest income:				
- Interest and discount income	33	61 410 705	59 325 683	2 085 022
- Interest and dividend income from financial investments		625 019	767 181	(142 162)
- Interest and dividend income from trading portfolios		(26)	44	(70)
Interest expense		(17 730 224)	(20 797 539)	3 067 315
Gross result from interest operations		44 305 474	39 295 369	5 010 105
Changes in value adjustments for default risks				
and losses from interest operations		(1 105 440)	(241 749)	(863 691)
Subtotal net result from interest operations	43 200 034	39 053 620	4 146 414	
Commision income:				
- from securities trading and investment activities		18 021 979	17 748 796	273 183
- from lending activities		1 978 151	2 080 285	(102 134)
- from other services		7 042 911	7 799 019	(756 108)
Commission expense		(2 860 155)	(2 498 175)	(361 980)
Subtotal result from commission business and services		24 182 886	25 129 925	(947 039)
Result from trading activities and the fair value option	32	23 349 201	21 851 371	1 497 830
Result from the disposal of financial investments		(304 460)	(643 267)	338 807
Income from partecipations		11 374	10 120	1 254
Result from real estate		174 156	190 999	(16 843)
Other ordinary income		76 685	1 106 693	(1 030 008)
Other ordinary expenses		(819 013)	(444 052)	(374 961)
Other result from ordinary activities		(861 258)	220 493	(1 081 751)
Operating expenses:				
Personnel expenses	34	(45 842 369)	(44 421 970)	(1 420 399)
General and administrative expenses	35	(21 920 421)	(21 499 718)	(420 703)
Total operating expenses		(67 762 790)	(65 921 688)	(1 841 102)

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE 2017 FINANCIAL YEAR (CONTINUED)

in CHF	Note	2017	2016	Change
Value adjustments on participations and depreciation				
and amortisation of tangible fixed assets	8	(6 522 858)	(4 455 951)	(2 066 907)
Changes to provisions and other value adjustments,				
and losses	36	2 944 876	(136 419)	3 081 295
Operating result		18 530 091	15 741 351	2 788 740
Extraordinary income	36	543 238	415 520	127 718
Extraordinary expenses	36	(24 094)	(56 771)	32 677
Changes in reserves for general banking risks			-	-
Taxes	39	(4 840 000)	(4 032 387)	(807 613)
Profit/Loss (result of the period)		14 209 235	12 067 713	2 141 522

PROPOSAL FOR APPROPRIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET PROFIT (WITH 2016 COMPARATIVE FIGURES)

in CHF	Note	2017	2016	Change
Profit for the year		14 209 235	12 067 713	2 141 522
Profit/Loss carried forward		-	-	-
Available earnings		14 209 235	12 067 713	2 141 522
The Board of Directors proposes to allocate the balance sheet profit				
totalling CHF 14 209 235 as at 31 December 2017 to the statutory retained earnings reserve				
Retained earnings to be carried forward		-	-	-

CASH FLOW STATEMENT 2017 (WITH 2016 COMPARATIVE FIGURES)

CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

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CHF in thousands	2017		2016	
••	Source	Utilisation	Source	Utilisation
Result of the period	14 209	-	12 068	-
Value adjustment on partecipations, depreciaton and amortisation				
of tangible fixed assets and intangible assets	6 523	-	4 456	-
Provisions and other value adjustments	-	1 686	992	-
Change in reserve for general banking risks	-	-	-	-
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	-	1 455	228	-
Accrued expenses and deferred income	-	900	1 667	-
Positive replacement values of derivative financial instruments	-	72 747	11 061	-
Negative replacement values of derivative financial instruments	-	37 732	4 746	-
Other assets	14 520	-	17 898	-
Other liabilities	756	-	-	5 255
Net operating cash flow	-	78 512	47 861	-

CASH FLOW FROM SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY TRANSACTIONS

Total cash flows from equity transactions	-	-	-	-
Share capital	-	-	-	-
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CASH FLOW (STATEMENT) RESULTING FROM CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

Net cash flow from investment activities	-	1 666	-	2 722
Intangible fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Other fixed assets	2 681	4 315	-	2 605
Real estate	-	31	-	49
Participations	-	-	-	68

CASH FLOW STATEMENT 2017 (CONTINUED)

CASH FLOW FROM BANKING OPERATIONS

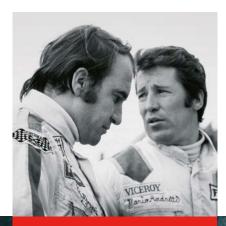
CHF in thousands	2017		2016		
	Source	Utilisation	Source	Utilisation	
Balance brought forward	-	80 178	47 861	2 722	
Non-current operations (> 1 year)					
Amounts due to banks	390 570	-	320 620		
Amounts due in respect of customer deposits	-	-	-	-	
Cash bonds	-	29 754	-	53 110	
Bond issues and central mortgage institution loans				-	
Client loans	-	1 012	-	13 678	
Mortgage loans	-	185 127	-	43 122	
Financial investments	-	5 324	9 383	-	
Current operations					
Amounts due to banks	-	268 198	-	367 815	
Amounts due in respect of customer deposits	-	7 510	40 333	-	
Cash bonds	-	66 475	24 249	-	
Amounts due from banks	119 814	-	97 195	-	
Amounts due from customers	134	-	49 753	-	
Mortgage loans	428	-	-	191 713	
Financial investments	-	4 045	-	10 869	
Trading portfolio assets/Trading portfolio liabilities	-	-	-	-	
Net cash flow from banking activities	23 101	-	-	25 774	
Total cash flow	23 101	80 178	47 861	28 496	
Change in cash flow	57 077		-	19 365	

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

of net profit for 2017	180 000 000	-	152 079 689	15 000 000	-	-	14 209 235	361 288 924
31 December 2017 before appropriation								
Equity as at								
Profit/Loss (result of the period)	-	-	-	-	-	-	14 209 235	14 209 235
Capital increase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appropriation of net profit for 2016	-	-	12 067 713	-	-	-	(12 067 713)	-
Equity at 01.01.2017	180 000 000	-	140 011 976	15 000 000	-	-	12 067 713	347 079 689
	Bank's capital	Statutory capital reserve	Statutory retained earnings reserve	Reserves for general banking risks	Own shares	Voluntary retained earnings reserves and profit carried forward	Net profit for the year	Total



What a fighter, what a heart, what a lion on the track! He was a true friend with whom I shared some amusing times in my life. But he was one of the toughest rivals.

MARIO ANDRETTI

Above: Clay with Mario Andretti on the Jarama circuit (Spain), 197 Below: Start of the Spanish Grand Prix. Lauda (no.12) on the inside of the first bend and Regazzoni

(no.11) almost level with him, Barcelona, 1975.

NOTES TO THE 2017 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

1. DESCRIPTIONS OF SEGMENTS AND INFORMATION ON PERSONNEL

Banca Popolare di Sondrio (SUISSE) SA, a universal bank founded in Lugano on 3 May 1995, is mainly active in providing loans, portfolio management and trading in securities.

The Bank's current network comprises its head office, an agency and a sub-branch in Lugano, a branch in St Moritz (with four agencies in Poschiavo, Castasegna, Pontresina and Samedan plus one sub-branch in Celerina), a branch in Bellinzona (with an agency in Biasca), and branches in Chiasso, Chur, Basel, Locarno, Zurich, Berne, Neuchâtel, Martigny and the Principality of Monaco. At the end of the year, our staff numbered 316 employees (end of 2016: 307 employees), which represented a total of 301.8 fulltime equivalent positions (2016: 292.8 FTEs).

The Bank does not outsource any activities as defined in the FINMA 2008/7 circular "Bank outsourcing".

The Bank has not set up an Audit Committee because the Board of Directors, comprised of five members with extensive banking and financial expertise, meets at frequent intervals and is therefore fully able to handle the functions normally assigned to such a committee.

2. ACCOUNTING AND VALUATION PRINCIPLES USED IN THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The accounts, their presentation and the valuations made are in compliance with the Swiss Banking Ordinance (BO Arts. 25 et seqq.) as formalised in FINMA Circular 2015/1 "Accounting – banks" of 27 March 2014 according to the principle of "reliable assessment statutory single-entity financial statements". The transactions carried out by the Bank are recorded in the books on the value date. Cash transactions that had not been settled as of the balance sheet date are included in forward transactions.

ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

DUE FROM BANKS AND CLIENTS, MORTGAGE LOANS

These items are recognised at face value, net of necessary adjustments in value. Interest received is recognised on a pro rata basis at the contractual interest rate.

Customer loans and mortgages are corrected with value adjustements to account for potential lending risk using an internal rating model. Writedowns of non-performing loans are determined on an individual basis.

Interest at risk is treated as prescribed by law. Accrued interest not collected within 90 days after the due date is provided for and deducted from the items "Due from clients" and "Mortgage loans".

FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS

Securities owned by the Bank but not held for trading and equity investments not meant to be held long term (interest- and dividend-bearing securities) are valued individually at the lower of purchase cost and market value.

PARTICIPATING INTERESTS

These are valued individually at purchase cost less any economically necessary writedowns.

FIXED ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets are recorded in the balance sheet at historical cost, less a deduction reflecting the depreciation economically necessary, calculated using the straight-line method and based on the estimated useful life of the asset.

The assets acquired in 2017 were subjected to accelerated depreciation in accordance with the Legislative Decree of the Canton of Ticino enacted on 13 November 1996 and subsequently extended until 31 December 2019.

	2017	2016
Freehold premises (Own real estate)	33.3 years	33.3 years
Office restructuring	5 years	5 years
Equipment	10 years	10 years
Furniture	8 years	8 years
Office machinery	5 years	5 years
Motor vehicles	5 years	5 years
Hardware	3 years	3 years
Software	3 years	3 years

DUE TO BANKS, DUE TO CLIENTS, CASH BONDS

Due to banks, due to clients and cash bonds are recognised at nominal value.

LOANS FROM CENTRAL MORTGAGE BOND INSTITUTIONS AND OTHER LOANS

Loans are recognised at nominal value; any discount or premium is amortised over the life of the loan using the accrual method.

PROVISIONS

Provisions, estimated reliably on the basis of prudence, are made for all risks identifiable on the balance sheet date.

REPLACEMENT VALUE OF DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Derivative financial instruments are purchased/sold on behalf of clients and for the Bank's asset and liability management (hedging). The positive and negative replacement values of derivative financial instruments generated by clients and open at the balance sheet date are measured at fair value based on market price – or, if market price is not available, using common estimation methods and valuation models – and recognised in the balance sheet under "Derivative financial instruments: positive replacement values" or "Derivative financial instruments: negative replacement values". For instruments traded on behalf of customers, the fair value change is recognised under "Result from trading activities". Hedging transactions are valued on the same basis as the underlying instruments. The result arising from the difference between the replacement values is recorded in the compensation account contained in "Other assets" or "Other liabilities", without any effect on the income statement. If hedging operations relate to interest-bearing products, the fair value changes are recognised under "Net result from interest operations".

ACCRUALS, PREPAYMENTS AND DEFERRED INCOME

Interest income and expense, asset management fees, staff costs and other operating expenses are accounted for on an accrual basis.

TAXES

The Bank recognises provisions for federal, cantonal and local taxes according to the result for the period and on the basis of the tax regulations in force.

TRANSLATION OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are converted at the exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet closing date.

Operations in foreign currencies carried out during the year are converted at the exchange rate applicable on the day of the transaction (average rate of exchange).

The result of the valuation is accounted in the income statement in "Result from trading activities".

Forward contracts (outright) and the forward portion of swaps are converted using the residual rates in force on the balance sheet date.

The result of the valuation is recorded in "Result from trading activities".

The year-end conversion rates used for the main currencies were as follows: EUR 1.1707 (2016: 1.0723); USD 0.9735 (2016: 1.0158).

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION: MONACO BRANCH

Assets, liabilities and items in the income statement are converted at the exchange rate applicable at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences resulting from this conversion are then booked in the income statement in the corresponding items (interest, commission, etc.).

REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS (REPO)

Securities traded by the Bank as part of REPO operations are mainly used as collateral to support refinancing activities. These operations are recorded as deposits with a pledge of securities. The securities remain in the balance sheet of the Bank while the financing is recorded as a liability in the item "Amounts due to banks". The results of these operations are recorded in "Net interest income".

INTEREST RATE SWAPS (IRS)

Income and expense connected to these contracts are entered in the income statement in "Net interest income". Positive and negative replacement values for outstanding operations are calculated every six months. The difference is recorded in a compensation account under "Other assets" or "Other liabilities" and has no impact on the income statement.

LIABILITIES TO OWN PENSION SCHEMES

The Bank does not have its own occupational pension fund, and instead relies entirely on a private, external insurance company (Swisslife's Fondazione Collettiva LPP) for this purpose. Two pension plans have been underwritten: one for all employees and the second for members of management. Details of risk coverage are provided in the annex to the annual financial statements. The pension funds operate on a defined contribution basis. Thus, the Bank's sole liability is to pay the premiums calculated by the external company and recorded under personnel expenses in the item "Social contributions". There is no economic liability or benefit for the purposes of Swiss GAAP RPC 16.

CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES RELATING TO PRESENTATION AND VALUATION

There were no changes in the Bank's accounting principles relating to the preparation of its financial statements or to valuation in 2017 compared with the financial year ended 31 December 2016.

SIGNIFICANT POST-BALANCE-SHEET EVENTS

Since the balance sheet date, no significant events have occurred that might have warranted inclusion in the 2017 annual financial statements.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board of Directors has performed an analysis of the main risks to which Banca Popolare di Sondrio (SUISSE) SA is exposed. The analysis is based on the risk management data and techniques used by the Bank, as described below, and on an estimate of its potential future risks. The internal control system, designed to manage and reduce risk exposure, was duly taken into account by the Board of Directors during its risk analysis.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON RISK MANAGEMENT

The Bank's policy reflects that of the parent company, which is responsible for group-wide policy and coordination. Risk management is an integral part of the Bank's corporate policy.

It aims to preserve the Bank's resources, improve profitability and increase enterprise value.

The policy is based on the Bank's strategy, objectives and internal regulations, together with the laws and ethical standards that govern Swiss banking and underpin its policy in this area. This is commensurate with the Bank's willingness to accept certain risks, strictly dependent on its organisation and financial structure.

The Bank is committed to promulgating, at all levels in its organisation, a corporate culture that is sensitive to risk.. In February 2017 the Board of Directors updated its "Risk Appetite Framework". That document sets out the Bank's risk appetite and risk tolerance, including quantitative metrics designed for that purpose in the various risk categories.

The identification of risks and their incorporation in the Bank's management, control and reporting systems are the responsibility of General Management, which informs the Board of Directors. For the supervision and enforcement of the financial risk policy, the General Manager relies on the Risk Committee, whose functions are set out in detail in the internal regulations.

In accordance with the FINMA 2017/1 Circular "Corporate Governance - banks", which entered into force on 1 July 2017, the Bank has a Risk Control Department in charge of supervising, measuring and analysing the Bank's risk profile and ensuring its compliance with risk policies, risk limits and internal rules.

SPECIFIC RISKS RELATED TO THE BANK'S ACTIVITY

Risks are subdivided into credit, market, operational, liquidity, strategic and reputational risks.

CREDIT RISK

Credit risk is defined as the risk of incurring loss when a counterparty does not fulfil his or her contractual obligations. Credit risk includes counterparty, concentration and country risk.

If the counterparty becomes insolvent, a bank usually incurs a loss that equals the amount owed by the debtor, net of any amounts recovered from the liquidation of any collateral.

The Bank's exposure relates primarily to the lending activity with private customers. The Bank generally grants mortgage loans mostly for residential properties, Lombard loans and commercial loans. Loans abroad are mainly granted by the Monaco branch and represent only a small portion of the overall lending volume.

Prudential collateral margins are set for all secured loans. For Lombard loans, margins depend on the type and market value of the pledged assets, which are periodically reviewed. For mortgages, the lending value is determined on the basis of the market value of the property (relying on both internal and external appraisals) or the gross rental value, taking into consideration the type of property. The appraisals are periodically reviewed every two to ten years depending on the type of property and the lending value. Credit risk is assessed by grouping customers into 10 risk classes (according to default risk or probability of insolvency, with 1 being the rating of the lowest risk and 8 being that of the highest risk) and setting recovery rates on the basis of the collateral provided. The risk class is assigned, by a unit that is independent from the offices responsible for buying and selling and is based on parameters set out in the Bank's criteria. The risk classes are differentiated for retail customers (simplified criteria) and corporate customers, based on quantitative (analysis of the financial statements), qualitative and performance factors. Recovery rates are established as flat rates according to the type of collateral provided (mortgage, Lombard loan or unsecured) and the loan-to-value ratio.

Risk assessments are updated through regular controls, file reviews and the monitoring of normal debt servicing. On these occasions, changes can be made to the rating or recovery rate of the loan.

With regard to the credit risk, the Executive Board is authorised to review the parameters used to calculate value adjustments periodically or as required.

Value adjustments which are economically necessary to cover credit risk are calculated on a lump-sum basis by rating class, using an automated procedure that adds up the individual risk positions, weighted by the respective default and recovery rates. For non-performing loans and loans at risk, however, individual value adjustments are made to take into account the estimated realisable value of the collateral provided.

The Bank works with leading counterparties selected on the basis of specific quality standards.

In order to reduce credit concentration risk with respect to financial investments, the Bank allocates risks equally across its portfolio by diversifying investments to an appropriate extent.

Country risk refers to the aggregated risk that may apply when investments are made in foreign countries; it is mainly based on the domicile of the risk.

MARKET RISKS (PRICES, RATES, EXCHANGE)

Market risk is the risk of loss due to fluctuations in the value of a position caused by a change in the factors that affect the prices of items such as shares or raw materials, changes in exchange rates or fluctuations in interest rates.

Price fluctuation risk refers to unexpected changes in the price of securities and is assumed by the Bank on a prudential basis with a view to long-term investments rather than trading in the strict sense. Interest rate risk mainly arises from the failure to properly synchronise funding transactions with the use of the funds.

Interest rate swaps (macro hedges) are used if necessary to hedge significant medium- and long-term exposures with the parent bank only.

The bank employs this type of hedging to deal with interest rate fluctuation risks on the refinancing of loan contracts with clients who have fixed-rate contracts with medium- and long-term expiry dates. The Bank acts as the swap payer and pays the fixed rate to the parent bank while receiving the floating rate indexed to the LIBOR.

From its parent bank, the Bank receives a summary of the effectiveness tests of outstanding interest rate swaps. The effectiveness criteria are those specified in International Accounting Standard IAS 39 (80-125%). Whether the hedging relationship qualifies as effective is determined in accordance with the hedge accounting rules contained in FINMA Circular 2015/1: "Accounting-banks". More specifically, at the start of the hedging relationship, the risk management strategy and the risk management objective derived therefrom are formally documented; in addition, the economic correlation between the basic transaction and the hedging transaction is determined.

The Bank is exposed to limited exchange rate risk, since most transactions are carried out on behalf of clients and on the basis of their requirements.

Prudent maximum exposure levels have been set to minimise residual risks. Any positions that are not balanced on an individual basis are therefore managed by the treasury department on a day-to-day basis.

OPERATIONAL RISK

Operational risks comprise the risk of direct and indirect losses caused by human or technological error, shortcomings in internal procedures or extraneous events.

Risk exposure is minimised by using an internal management system and by establishing departments to check that rules and procedures are applied.

In order to guarantee IT security, the Bank has set up a control network using support from specialist external companies.

LIQUIDITY AND REFINANCING RISKS

Liquidity risk refers to the ability to access the market, the risk of failing to meet payment commitments and the risk of not being able to sell an asset or sell it at close to market prices.

The Bank obtains refinancing from its own resources, client assets deposited with the Bank, the parent bank and deposits made by other financial intermediaries. Repurchages agreements (repos) can also be carried out with other counterparty banks to minimise refinancing costs.

Capital and liquidity information in accordance with FINMA Circular 2016/1 "Publications – banks" is published separately on the Bank's website.

LEGAL RISKS

Legal risks consist of the risk of loss resulting from potential legal action.

To prevent such risks, the Bank ensures that its activity, particularly that involving any external impact, is governed by legal and ethical standards applicable in the banking sector and by ensuring understanding and transparency in its operational and contractual dealings with clients.

Legal services are provided by a dedicated department at the Bank, which may liaise with external firms that specialise in certain fields or regions.

REPUTATION AND COMPLIANCE RISKS

The Bank limits its exposure by investing in the training and awareness of its staff in direct contact with clients (duty of due diligence, confidentiality and the prevention of money laundering) and by carefully selecting its reference markets. With regard to compliance activities, which are intended to ensure adherence to applicable laws and regulations, the Bank has a control system based on internal verification procedures. This role is carried out by one of the Bank's departments, which is not

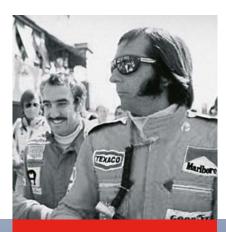
part of the operating unit.

BANK POLICY FOR THE USE OF DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Derivative instruments are, for the most part, held on behalf of clients. For the structural management of the balance sheet, the Bank hedges interest rate risk by using Interest Rate Swaps.

INFORMATION ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Corporate governance information in accordance with Annex 7 to FINMA Circular 2016/1 is available from the Bank's website.



How could I not be friends with Clay? It wasn't any fun meeting him on the track because he was difficult to overtake, but then we all went out in the evening and being with him made you forget everything. EMERSON FITTIPALDI

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Clay with Emerson Fittipaldi Below: Regazzoni in the Ensign N180 battling it out with Fittipaldi during the Brazilian Grand Prix, Interlagos, 1980.

Above:

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1. BREAKDOWN OF SECURITIES FINANCING TRANSACTIONS (ASSETS AND LIABILITIES)

Not applicable.

2. PRESENTATION OF COLLATERAL FOR LOANS/RECEIVABLES AND OFF-BALANCE-SHEET TRANSACTIONS, AS WELL AS IMPAIRED LOANS/RECEIVABLES

in CHF	Type of collateral						
	Mortgage collateral		Unsecured	Total			
Loans							
Amounts due from customers	167 861 239	236 198 718	53 507 685	457 567 642			
Mortgage loans							
Residential property	3 232 690 484	-	-	3 232 690 484			
Office and business premises	239 996 188	-	-	239 996 188			
Commercial and industrial premises	15 192 238	-	-	15 192 238			
Other	-	-	-	-			
Total loans (before netting with value adjustments –							
table 16) at 31 December 2017	3 655 740 149	236 198 718	53 507 685	3 945 446 551			
Total at 31 December 2016	3 486 316 744	209 725 199	65 315 729	3 761 357 672			
Total loans (after netting with value adjustments)	3 638 572 529	235 709 729	34 548 242	3 908 830 500			
Total at 31 December 2016	3 468 086 265	209 397 694	45 768 721	3 723 252 681			
Off-balance-sheet							
Contingent liabilities	1 806 155	141 146 774	44 649 461	187 602 390			
Irrevocable commitments	7 395 619	651 855	13 883 426	21 930 900			
Credit commitments	-	-	-	-			
Total at 31 December 2017	9 201 774	141 798 629	58 532 887	209 533 290			
Total at 31 December 2016	8 441 462	134 739 617	78 205 120	221 386 199			
Impaired loans		Estimated		Individual			
	Gross debt amount	liquidation value of collateral	Net debt amount	value adjust- ments			
Total at 31 December 2017	31 548 203	10 903 280	20 644 923	20 644 923			
Total at 31 December 2016	26 071 108	5 937 113	20 133 995	20 133 995			

3. BREAKDOWN OF TRADING PORTFOLIOS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AT FAIR VALUE

Not applicable.

4. PRESENTATION OF DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS	(ASSETS AND LIABILITIES)
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in CHF	Tra	ading instrume	nts	Hedging instruments			
	Positive replacement value	Negative replacement value	Contract volumes	Positive replacement value	Negative replacement value	Contract volumes	
Interest rate instruments					•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		
Forward contracts, FRAS	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Swaps – IRS	-	-	-	-	25 969 497	648 200 000	
Futures	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Options (OTC)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Options (exchange traded)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Foreing exchange/Precious metal	S						
Forward contracts	81 187 815	3 107 320	2 257 404 229	-	-	-	
Combined swaps (interest/currency)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Futures	5 150	5 150	3 667 780	-		-	
Options (OTC)	20 823	20 823	1 724 511	-	-	-	
Options (exchange traded)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Equity securities/Indices		•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••					
Forward contracts	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Swaps	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Futures	448 306	448 306	10 124 832	-	-	-	
Options (OTC)			-	-	-	-	
Options (exchange traded)	56 523	56 523	13 032 319	-	-	-	
Credit derivatives							
Credit default swaps	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total return swaps	-	-	-	-	-	-	
First to default swaps	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other credit derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other							
Forward contracts	-	-	25 290 490	-	-	-	
Swaps	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Futures	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Options (OTC)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Options (exchange traded)	3 085	3 085	382 900	-	-	-	
Total before effect of netting con	tracts						
Total at 31 December 2017	81 721 702	3 641 206	2 311 627 062	-	25 969 497	648 200 000	
Total at 31 December 2016	8 975 089	26 539 472	2 228 740 638	-	40 802 798	990 800 000	

4. (CONTINUED)

in CHF

Total after netting agreements

	replacement value	
Total at 31 December 2017	81 721 702	29 610 703
Total at 31 December 2016	8 975 089	67 342 270

The Bank has not concluded any netting agreements.

Breakdown by counterparty		Banks	
	Central	and securities	Other
	clearing houses	dealers	customers
Positive replacement values (after netting agreements)			
at 31 December 2017		80 269 406	1 452 296

The internal effectiveness criteria as described in the Risk Management section for interest rate swaps used for hedging purposes are those defined by the parent bank (80–125%).

Any ineffective portion of hedging transactions is recognised in "Net income from trading operations".

The replacement values of "Forward contracts" on foreign currencies are calculated based mainly on currency swaps conducted without forex risk for the Bank.

All spot (cash) transactions reported under "Forward contracts" in the "Other" item that occurred before 31 December 2017 and that had not been settled by the balance sheet date are shown as at their value date.

5. BREAKDOWN OF FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS

in CHF	Carrying value			Market value		
		31.12.2017	31.12.2016	31.12.	2017	31.12.2016
Financial investments						
Debt securities		38 130 596	36 921 371	38 293	3 726	36 975 307
Of which:						
Own bonds or medium-term notes		-	-		-	-
Held to maturity		-	-		-	-
Valued at lower of cost or market		38 130 596	36 921 371	38 293	3 726	36 975 307
Equity securities		4 078 864	3 028 864	4 412	2 306	3 063 412
Of which:						
Qualified participations		-	-		-	-
Deposit bonds (purchase value)		2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000	000 0	2 000 000
Precious metals		-	-		-	-
Real estate		16 650 000	9 539 000	16 650	000 (9 539 000
Total financial investments		60 859 460	51 489 235	61 356	5 032	51 577 719
Of which:						
Securities eligible for repo transactions in accordan	се					
with liquidity requirements		12 786 713	11 133 055		-	-
Breakdown of counterparties by rating	AAA	A+	BBB+	BB +	Below	
At 31 December 2017	to AA	to A-	to BBB-	to B-	B-	Unrated
Debt securities						
Book values	38 130 596	-	-	-	-	-
Equity securities						
Book values	-	-	-	53 915	-	4 024 949

6. PRESENTATION OF PARTICIPATIONS

in CHF

Total	1 190 728	-	1 190 728	-	-	-	-	-	1 190 728	N/A
		-	1 190 728	-	-	-	-	-	1 190 728	N/A
Market value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other participations										
	Acquisi- tion cost	Accu- mulated value adjustments and changes in book value	2	fications	Additions [Value adjust- ments	Changes in book value of participa- tions valued using the equity method	Book value as at end of current year	Market value

7. DISCLOSURE OF COMPANIES IN WHICH THE BANK HOLDS A PERMANENT DIRECT OR INDIRECT SIGNIFICANT PARTICIPATION

Company name and domicile	Business activity	Company capital	Share of capital (in %)	Share of votes (in %)	Held directly	Held indirectly
Sofipo SA (in liquidation)					•	
- Lugano	Fiduciary services	2 000 000	30%	30%	600 000	-
Pfandbriefbank - Zurich	Mortgage istitution	900 000 000	0.06%	0.06%	517 000	-

The share capital of the "Sofipo" participation is fully paid up.

In accordance with Art. 34 of the Swiss Banking Ordinance (BankO), there is no obligation to prepare consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2017.

The costs relating to the purchase of the "Pfandbriefbank – Zurich" participation amount to CHF 590 728.

8. PRESENTATION OF TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

in CHF	Current year								
		Accumulated depreciation & amortisation	Book value as at 31.12.2016	Reclassi- fication	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation & amorti- sation	Revaluation	Book value as at 31.12.2017
Fixed assets									
Bank buildings	22 353 194	(8 907 319)	13 445 875	-	30 973	-	(608 059)	-	12 868 789
Other real estate	276 660	(111 660)	165 000	-	-	-	(11 000)	-	154 000
Proprietary or separately acquired software	40 461 471	(38 623 960)	1 837 511	-	3 193 810	-	(3 555 300)	-	1 476 021
Other tangible fixed assets	82 326 323	(74 607 106)	7 719 217	-	1 121 660	(2 680 750)	(2 348 499)	-	3 811 628
Capitalised cost (capital increase)	895 128	(895 128)	-	-	-	-			-
Total	145 417 648	(123 145 173)	23 167 603	-	4 346 443	(2 680 750)	(6 522 858)	-	18 310 438
Insurance value Property used by the Bank	-	_	17 595 200	_	_	_	_	-	17 190 200
Other tangible fixed assets	-	-	35 162 000	-	-	-	-	-	32 662 000

9. PRESENTATION OF INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Not applicable.

10. BREAKDOWN OF OTHER ASSETS AND OTHER LIABILITIES

in CHF	Other assets				
		31.12.2016	Change		
Compensation account	25 969 497	40 802 798	(14 833 301)		
Swiss Federal Tax Administration	1 807 216	1 462 786	344 430		
Suppliers	-	-	-		
Others	3 287 620	3 318 832	(31 212)		
Total	31 064 333	45 584 416	(14 520 083)		

	Other liabilities			
	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change	
Swiss Federal Tax Administration	1 051 670	1 221 017	(169 347)	
Suppliers	2 499 932	1 189 897	1 310 035	
Others	1 222 763	1 607 057	(384 294)	
Total	4 774 365	4 017 971	756 394	

11. DISCLOSURE OF ASSETS PLEDGED OR ASSIGNED TO SECURE OWN COMMITMENTS AND OF ASSETS UNDER RESERVATION OF OWNERSHIP AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

in CHF

Pledged/assigned assets	Book values	Effective commitments
Mortgages securing		
loans at central mortgage bond institutions	776 091 474	
Securities used as collateral at the SNB	4 600 764	No liabilities
Securities used as collateral at SIS	5 211 332	No liabilities
Securities repurchase (Repo) operations	-	-
Securities (financial investments) pledged		
to secure Repo operations	2 974 617	-
Assets under reservation of ownership	-	-

12. DISCLOSURE OF LIABILITIES RELATING TO OWN PENSION PLANS, AND NUMBER AND NATURE OF EQUITY INSTRUMENTS OF THE BANK HELD BY OWN PENSION PLANS

Not applicable.

13. LIABILITIES TO PENSION PLANS

With regard to pensions and social security, the Bank has covered all its employees through Swiss Life's "Fondazione Collettiva LPP", with two defined-contribution plans:

- the first plan insures all employees, including executives, with an annual salary subject to old age and survivors' insurance (OASI) contributions of up to 500% of the maximum basic OASI pension. Executives aged 40 or more and with three years' service are insured with an annual salary of up to 500% of the maximum executive pension;
- the second plan insures all employees, including executives, for that portion of their annual salary subject to OASI contributions that exceeds 500% of the maximum basic OASI pension. Executives aged 40 or more and with three years' service are insured for that portion of their annual salary exceeding 500% of the maximum executive pension.

For both plans, the amount of pension benefits depends on the savings accumulated up to retirement age and on the annuity rate, based on the collective insurance tariff.

Lump-sum death benefits and annuities for disabled people, widows or the orphans and children of pensioners are also insured by the plans. The plans are financed one third by the employee and two thirds by the Bank.

All liabilities of the pension fund are covered in full and at all times by the insurance company.

There are neither economic liabilities nor economic benefits for the Bank.

a) Employer contribution reserves (ECR)

AGBR	Nominal value at current year end	Waiver of use at current year end	Net amount at current year end	Net amount at previous year end	Influence of ECR on personnel expenses at current year end	Influence of ECR on personnel expenses at previous year end
Employer		•••••				
sponsored funds /						
employer spon-						
sored pension						
schemes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pension schemes	-	-	-	-	-	-

b) Presentation of the economic benefit/obligation and the pension expenses

	Overfunding/ underfunding at end of current year	Economic interest of the bank/financial group at end of current year	Economic interest of the bank/financial group at end of previous year	Change in economic interest (economic benefit/ obligation) versus previous year	Contributions paid for the current period	Pension expenses in personnel expenses at end of current year	Pension expenses in personnel expenses at end of previous year
Pension plans with- out overfunding/ underfunding						5 1 3 7 0 5 9	

14. PRESENTATION OF ISSUED STRUCTURED PRODUCTS

Not applicable.

15. PRESENTATION OF BONDS OUTSTANDING AND MANDATORY CONVERTIBLE BONDS

CHF in thousands

Maturities				from cent oond insti	tral mortg tutions	age			Bond I	oans	Grand	total
Year		•••••		Interest	rate	•••••		•••••	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	31.12.2017	31.12.2016
	0.050	0.175	0.300	0.425	0.550	0.675	0.800	1.050	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••	•••••	
2019	-	10 000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 000	10000
2020	20 000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 000	20 000
2021	20 000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 000	20 000
2022	12 400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12 400	7 400
2023	-	20 000	-	-	-	-	-	10 000	-	-	30 000	30 000
2024	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 000	-	-	-	20 000	20 000
2025	-	13 500	-	10 000	20 000	22 200	-	-	-	-	65 700	52 200
2026	-	-	20 000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 000	10 000
2027	-	5 600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 600	600
2028	-	13 600	-	1 500	39 700	-	-	-	-	-	54 800	49 700
2029	-	-	-	-	15 000	-	-	-	-	-	15 000	5 000
2030	-	-	-	20 000	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 000	20 000
2031	-	-	-	-	-	10000	-	-	-	-	10 000	10 000
2032	-	15000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15 000	10 000
2033	-	-	-	-	-	10000	-	-	-	-	10 000	10 000
2035	-	-	-	-	-	5 000	-	-	-	-	5 000	-
2038	-	-	10 000	-	-	-	1 000	-	-	-	11 000	-
2039	-	-	-	5 000	-	5 000	-	-	-	-	10 000	-
Total	52 400	77 700	30 000	36 500	74 700	52 200	21000	10 000	-	-	345 500	274 900

15. (CONTINUED)

Interest rate	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
-0.230 %	20 000	•••••				•••••	•••••		••••••	20 000
0.000 %		10 000	5 000	•••••			•••••	••••••		15 000
0.030 %	800		•••••		•••••	•••••	•••••	••••••	••••••	800
0.050 %	340	665	100	••••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	••••••	••••••	1 105
0.100 %	50	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	150	30	•••••	•••••	•••••	••••••	•••••	230
0.125 %	200	••••••	•••••		•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	200
0.150 %	650	••••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	••••••	•••••	650
0.200 %	••••••	140	360	••••••		10	50	••••••	••••••	560
0.250 %		••••••	•••••	100				••••••		100
0.300 %		••••••		•••••	180			•••••	50	230
0.350 %	12 636							•••••		12 636
0.500 %			20							20
0.550 %	100	175								275
0.625 %	145									145
0.750 %		85	•••••			•				85
1.000 %	158	245	1 472	85						1 960
1.100 %				150						150
1.125 %			115	45						160
1.250 %	30			220	190					440
1.375 %		20			230	90	106	10		456
1.500 %	250		136							386
1.625 %	60	50	125	30						265
1.750 %			50							50
2.000 %	60									60
2.125 %	20			4						24
2.250 %		15	10							25
2.375 %	1			65						66
2.500 %		246	10	250						506
2.625 %	100	88								188
Total	35 600	11 729	7 548	979	600	100	156	10	50	56 772

16. PRESENTATION OF VALUE ADJUSTMENTS AND PROVISIONS, RESERVES FOR GENERAL BANKING RISKS, AND CHANGES THEREIN DURING THE CURRENT YEAR

in CHF		with designated	of purpose, reclassifi- cation,	2	Past due interest, recoveries	charged to	Releases	Balance at current
Provisions for deferred taxes	year end	purpose -	transiers -	amerences	recoveries	income -	to income	year and
Provisions for pension benefit obligations	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for off-balance- sheet operations	802 593	-	-	-	-	-	(319 384)	483 210
Provisions for other business risks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for restructuring	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other provisions	7 044 772		1 405 000		-	48 000	(2 819 500)	5 678 271
Total provisions	7 847 365	-	1 405 000	-	-	48 000	(3 138 884)	6 161 481
Reserve for general banking risks	15 000 000	-	-	-	-	-	-	15 000 000
Value adjustments for default and country risks (deducted from								
the balance sheet receivables)	38 104 991	(1 201 569)	(1 405 000)	291 171	(4 988 984)	5 930 853	(115 411)	36 616 051
Of which:								
Value adjustments for default risks in respect of impaired								
loans/receivables	20 133 995	(1 100 072)	(566 000)	253 741	(310 948)	2 241 822	(9 637)	20 642 901
Value adjustments for latent risks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

The "Reserve for general banking risks" is not taxed.

The item "Other provisions" mainly comprises value adjustments on properties acquired at auction, which are reported under "Financial investments", and provisions for legal disputes.

17. PRESENTATION OF THE BANK'S CAPITAL

in CHF	C	urrent year		Previous year			
	Par value	Number of shares	Par value holding	Par value	Number of shares	Par value holding	
Share capital	180 000 000	1 800 000	180 000 000	180 000 000	1 800 000	180 000 000	

The share capital is fully paid up.

Banca Popolare di Sondrio Scpa, Sondrio (Italy) holds 100% of the share capital and voting rights of the Bank.

Banca Popolare di Sondrio Scpa, Sondrio (Italy) is a cooperative limited by shares and, as such, subject to specific regulations concerning the makeup of its shareholders. In accordance with the law, a shareholder may not hold more than 0.5% of the share capital and inclusion in the shareholders' register is subject to an approval clause. Each shareholder is entitled to one vote at the General Meeting of Shareholders, irrespective of the number of shares held. The shares are listed on the Electronic Share Market (MTA) of the Milan Stock Exchange.

18. NUMBER AND VALUE OF EQUITY SECURITIES OR OPTIONS ON EQUITY SECURITIES HELD BY ALL EXECUTIVES AND DIRECTORS AND BY EMPLOYEES, AND DISCLOSURES ON ANY EMPLOYEE PARTICIPATION SCHEMES

	Number of participation rights in Banca Popolare di Sondrio Scpa, Italy		Value in CHF of participation rights in Banca Popolare di Sondrio Scpa, Italy		Number of options		Value in of opti	CHF ons
	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	31.12.2017	31.12.2016
Members of the Board of Directors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Members of the Board of Directors	15 609	8 792	53 915	29 490	-	-	-	-
Employees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	15 609	8 792	53 915	29 490	-	-	-	

Disclosures on the participation plan

Insofar as it exceeds the materiality threshold set by the Board of Directors in terms of either its amount or its impact on the fixed remuneration component, the variable component agreed is subject to the rules governing deferral and payment with financial instruments that are deemed expedient to ensure compliance with the company's long-term targets, taking account of the limits applied to the variable remuneration:

- an up-front instalment corresponding to 60% of the total is paid by June of the following year;

- three equal annual instalments adding up to 40% of the total shall be deferred for three years from the year following that in which the up-front instalment is paid;
- 50% of the up-front instalment and 50% of the deferred instalment shall be paid in the form of shares in Banca Popolare di Sondrio. These shares shall be subject to a retention period lasting two years in respect of the up-front payment and one year in the case of the deferred payment.

19. DISCLOSURE OF AMOUNTS DUE FROM/TO RELATED PARTIES

in CHF	Am	m	Amounts due to			
	31.12.2017 31.12.2016 Change			31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change
Holders of qualified participations						
Group companies	213 094 254	341 527 009	(128 432 755)	1 145 362 573	1 128 061 043	17 301 530
Governing bodies	9 146 502	9 095 000	51 502	4 726 376	5 658 189	(931 813)

The amounts due from governing bodies are in the form of mortgages and granted in compliance with usual loan-to-value ratios. The above amounts due from and to the Bank's governing bodies have been loaned on the same terms and conditions as are offered to staff. Transactions with group companies have been undertaken on market terms and conditions.

20. DISCLOSURE OF HOLDERS OF SIGNIFICANT PARTICIPATIONS

All shares have been held by the parent company since the Bank was established.

21. DISCLOSURE OF OWN SHARES AND COMPOSITION OF EQUITY CAPITAL

The parent company holds 100 % of the equity capital, as it did in the 2016 financial year.

22. DISCLOSURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE AGAINST EXCESSIVE COMPENSATION WITH RESPECT TO LISTED STOCK CORPORATIONS AND ARTICLE 663C PARA. 3 CO FOR BANKS WHOSE EQUITY SECURITIES ARE LISTED

Not applicable.

23. PRESENTATION OF THE MATURITY STRUCTURE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

in CHF				Maturi	ties			
			Due within	Due within 3 to 12	Due within 12 months	Due after	Fixed	
	At sight	Call/notice	3 months	months	to 5 years	5 years	assets	Total
Assets/financial	•••••••			••••				
instruments								
Liquid assets	687 288 547	-	-	-	-	-	-	687 288 547
Amounts due								
from banks	103 317 336	-	179 700 000	-	-	-	-	283 017 336
Amounts due								
from clients	4 816 386	199 202 886	76 770 789	104 173 162	34 103 988	17 036 268	-	436 103 479
Mortgage loans	14 691 814	277 541 161	247 689 299	557 930 967	1 653 839 490	721 034 290	-	3 472 727 021
Positive replacement values of derivative								
financial instruments	81 721 702	-	-	-	-	-	-	81 721 702
Financial investments	4 078 863	-	12 784 185	9 313 164	17 542 683	490 565	16 650 000	60 859 460
Total at 31.12.2017	895 914 649	476 744 046	516 944 273	671 417 293	1 705 486 161	738 561 123	16 650 000	5 021 717 546
Total at 31.12.2016	899 307 932	439 857 426	707 443 645	605 533 315	1 538 695 200	730 537 790	9 539 000	4 930 914 307
Amounts due								
to third parties								
Amounts due to banks	125 979 532	-	175 126 735	175 605 000	819 490 000	-	-	1 296 201 267
Amounts due in respect		•	•	•			••••••	
of customer deposits	1 792 519 181	913 193 102	128 865 483	117 263 691	-	-	-	2 951 841 457
Negative replacement								
values of derivative								
financial instruments	29 610 703	-	-	-	-	-	-	29 610 703
Cash bonds	-	-	1 410 000	34 190 000	20 856 000	316 000	-	56 772 000
Bond issues and								
central mortgage								
institution loans	-	-	-	-	62 400 000	292 100 000	-	354 500 000
Total at 31.12.2017	1 948 109 416	913 193 102	305 402 218	327 058 691	902 746 000	292 416 000	-	4 688 925 428
Total at 31.12.2016	1 835 783 601	860 004 194	443 427 476	734 462 664	529 030 000	225 716 000	-	4 628 423 934

24. PRESENTATION OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES BY DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN ORIGIN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DOMICILE PRINCIPLE

CHF in thousands	31.12.20	17	31.12.203	16
	Switzerland	Abroad	Switzerland	Abroad
Assets				
Liquid assets	686 674	615	743 768	598
Amounts due from banks	34 485	248 532	35 597	367 235
Amounts due from customers	303 800	132 303	308 305	126 920
Mortgage loans	3 472 727	-	3 288 028	-
Positive replacement values of derivative financial instruments	51 255	30 467	4 539	4 436
Financial investments	20 203	40 656	16 213	35 276
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	6 715	263	5 131	392
Participations	1 191	-	1 191	-
Tangible fixed assets	18 175	135	20 316	2 851
Other assets	30 829	236	45 182	402
Total assets	4 626 053	453 208	4 468 269	538 111
Liabilities Amounts due to banks	124 182	1 172 019	39 564	1 134 265
Amounts due to banks	124 182	1 172 019	39 564	1 134 265
Amounts due in respect of customer deposits	1 864 787	1 087 055	1 868 342	1 091 009
Negative replacement values of derivative financial instruments	27 720	1 891	59 910	7 432
Cash bonds	56 772	-	153 001	-
Bond issues and central mortgage institution loans	354 500	-	274 900	-
Accrued expenses and deferred income	15 273	2 838	17 117	1 894
Other liabilities	4 524	251	3 800	218
Provisions	6 1 4 3	18	7 847	-
Reserve for general banking risks	15 000	-	15 000	-
Share capital	180 000	-	180 000	-
Statutory capital reserve	-	-	-	-
Statutory retained earnings reserve	152 080	-	140 012	-
Voluntary retained earnings reserve	-	-	-	-
Profit/Loss (result of the year)	14 209	-	12 068	-
Total liabilities	2 815 190	2 264 071	2 771 562	2 234 818

CHF in thousands	31.12.2017	31.12.2017				
	Total	in %	Total	in %		
Switzerland	4 626 053	91%	4 468 270	89%		
Italy	251 031	5%	381 556	8%		
OECD countries	152 854	3%	110 966	2%		
Other countries	49 324	1%	45 589	1%		
Total assets	5 079 261	100%	5 006 381	100%		

25. BREAKDOWN OF TOTAL ASSETS BY COUNTRY OR GROUP OF COUNTRIES

26. BREAKDOWN OF TOTAL ASSETS BY CREDIT RATING OF COUNTRY GROUPS (RISK DOMICILE VIEW)

		Net foreign expos		Net foreign expos	
Country	Rating Fitch	At 31 December 2	2017	At 31 December 2	2016
		In CHF	Share as %	In CHF	Share as %
Germany	AAA	67 699 472	14.94	40 473 779	7.52
Canada	AAA	-	0.00	1 266	0.00
Luxembourg	AAA	14 086 662	3.11	9 645 023	1.79
Netherlands	AAA	2 535 863	0.56	1 094 359	0.20
Sweden	AAA	8 756 827	1.93	9 106 484	1.69
Singapore	AAA	102	0.00	-	0.00
USA	AAA	7 566	0.00	2 502 905	0.47
United Kingdom	AA	21 157 103	4.67	16 112 135	2.99
Belgium	AA	6 126 413	1.35	4 903 962	0.91
France	AA	21 616 725	4.77	20 627 274	3.83
Saudi Arabia	AA	22	0.00	-	0.00
Israel	A+	100 701	0.02	2 264 196	0.42
Ireland	A+	304 716	0.07	54	0.00
Spain	A-	4 909 563	1.08	674 286	0.13
Thailand	BBB+	99 992	0.02	103 861	0.02
Italy	BBB	251 031 074	55.39	381 555 794	70.91
Panama	BBB	1 218 474	0.27	1 393 031	0.26
Russia	BBB-	8 817	0.00	2 386 766	0.44
Brazil	BB	700 776	0.15	704 615	0.13
Egypt	B+	-	0.00	4	0.00
Greece	B-	74 176	0.02	107 992	0.02
Monaco	Ohne Rating	44 388 687	9.79	38 409 168	7.14
Others	Ohne Rating	8 385 046	1.85	6 044 370	1.12
Total		453 208 779	100.00	538 111 324	100.00

The Fitsch rating for Switzerland is AAA.

27. PRESENTATION OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES BROKEN DOWN BY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CURRENCIES FOR THE BANK

CHF in thousands					
Assets	CHF	EUR	USD	Other	Tota
Liquid Assets	682 255	4 576	304	154	687 289
Amounts due from banks	182 215	66 660	2 388	31 754	283 017
Amounts due from customers	271 205	152 686	5 598	6 614	436 103
Mortgage loans	3 410 258	62 470	-	-	3 472 727
Positive replacement values					
of derivative financial instruments	81 059	98	466	98	81 722
Financial investments	28 119	1 615	31 126	-	60 859
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	7 805	(858)	23	8	6 978
Participations	1 191	-	-	-	1 192
Tangible fixed assets	18 175	135	-	-	18 31(
Other assets	29 574	1 468	21	1	31 064
Total assets in the balance sheet	4 711 855	288 850	39 927	38 630	5 079 263
Off-balance-sheet claims due from foreign exchange					
spot, forward and option transactions	45 153	1 903 624	300 049	34 736	2 283 563
Total assets at 31.12.2017	4 757 008	2 192 474	339 976	73 366	7 362 824
Liabilities					
Amounts due to banks	71 493	1 198 984	22 889	2 835	1 296 203
Amounts due in respect of customer deposits	1 728 845	902 490	269 236	51 270	2 951 843
Negative replacement values of derivative					
financial instruments	28 769	627	20	195	29 611
Cash bonds	56 772	-	-	-	56 772
Loans from central					
mortgage bond institutions	354 500	-	-	-	354 500
Accrued liabilities and deferred income	15 854	1 754	454	49	18 11
Other liabilities	4 057	708	7	3	4 774
Provisions	6 1 4 3	18	-	-	6 163
Reserve for general banking risks	15 000	-	-	-	15 000
Share capital	180 000	-	-	-	180 000
Statutory capital reserve	-	-	-	-	
Statutory retained earnings reserve	152 080	-	-	-	152 080
Voluntary retained earnings reserves	-	-	-	-	
Profit/Loss (result of the period)	14 209	-	-	-	14 209
Total liabilities in the balance sheet	2 627 722	2 104 581	292 606	54 352	5 079 261
Off-balance-sheet claims by foreign exchange spot,					
forward and option transactions	2 120 593	93 569	50 772	18 629	2 283 563
Total liabilities at 31.12.2017	4 748 315	2 198 150	343 378	72 981	7 362 824
Net position by currency	8 693	(5 677)	(3 402)	386	

28. BREAKDOWN AND EXPLANATION OF CONTINGENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

in CHF	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change
Guarantees to secure credits and similar		183 144 309	(17 511 259)
Performance guarantees and similar	-	-	-
Irrevocable commitments arising from documentary letters of credit	21 969 341	15 183 897	6 785 444
Other contingent liabilities	-	-	-
Total contingent liabilities	187 602 390	198 328 206	(10 725 815)
Contingent assets arising from tax losses carried forward	-	-	-
Other contingent assets	-	-	-
Total contingent assets	-	-	-

29. BREAKDOWN OF CREDIT COMMITMENTS

Not applicable.

30. BREAKDOWN OF FIDUCIARY TRANSACTIONS

in CHF	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change
Fiduciary investments with third-party companies	14 436 843	675 832	13 761 011
Fiduciary investment with group companies and linked companies	37 386 305	34 243 901	3 142 404
Total	51 823 148	34 919 733	16 903 415

CHF in million	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change
A) Type of managed assets			
Assets in collective investment schemes managed by the bank	764.7	680.0	84.7
Assets under discretionary asset management agreements	368.0	349.3	18.7
Other managed assets	4 513.9	4 430.9	83.0
Total managed assets (including double counting)	5 646.6	5 460.2	186.4
Of which, double-counted assets	284.2	254.4	29.8
Net increase/(decrease) (including double-counted assets)	(181.0)	(286.2)	105.2

31. BREAKDOWN OF MANAGED ASSETS AND PRESENTATION OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT

"Other managed assets" encompass all the assets deposited by clients in respect of which the Bank performs any services, including those of an administrative nature. Loans to clients are not deducted from this amount. The Bank calculates deposits/(withdrawals) by clients net of any accrued interest, exchange rate differences, variations in rates, commissions and debited expenses.

B) Presentation of the development of managed assets 5 5 5 5 . 3 Total managed assets (including double counting) at beginning of year 5 460.2 (95.1) +/- net new money inflow or net new money outflow (181.0) (286.2) 105.2 +/- price gains/losses, interest, dividends and currency gains/losses 367.4 191.1 176.3 +/- other effects 5 646.6 5 460.2 186.4 Total managed assets (including double counting) at end of year

32. BREAKDOWN OF THE RESULT FROM TRADING ACTIVITIES AND THE FAIR VALUE OPTION

in CHF	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change
Interest rate instruments (including funds)	-	-	-
Equity securities (including funds)	(4 288)	(5 165)	877
Foreign currencies	22 992 740	21 860 685	1 132 055
Commodities/precious metals	360 749	(4 149)	364 898
Total result from trading activities	23 349 201	21 851 371	1 497 830

33. DISCLOSURE OF MATERIAL REFINANCING INCOME IN THE ITEM INTEREST AND DISCOUNT INCOME AS WELL AS MATERIAL NEGATIVE INTEREST

The item "Interest and discount income" contains CHF 6.58 million in negative interest, CHF 5.8 million of which is attributable to the floating rate in interest rate swaps used for hedging.

34. BREAKDOWN OF PERSONNEL EXPENSES

in CHF	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change
Salaries	35 755 321	34 856 281	899 040
Of which:			
Expenses relating to share-based compensation and alternative forms of variable compensation	3 120 000	3 430 000	(310 000)
Social insurance benefits	8 536 211	7 918 024	618 187
Other personnel expenses	1 550 837	1 647 665	(96 828)
Total	45 842 369	44 421 970	1 420 399

35. BREAKDOWN OF GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

in CHF	31.12.2017	31.12.2016	Change
Office space expenses		7 019 305	196 314
Expenses for information and communications technology		2 336 206	(104 717)
Expenses for vehicles, equipment, furniture and other fixtures,		•••••	
as well as operating lease expenses		5 300 407	374 414
Fees of audit firm	607 489	638 493	(31 004)
Of which:			
for financial and regulatory audits	607 489	638 493	(31 004)
for other services	-	-	-
Other operating expenses	6 191 003	6 205 307	(14 304)
Total	21 920 421	21 499 718	420 703

36. EXPLANATIONS REGARDING MATERIAL LOSSES, EXTRAORDINARY INCOME AND EXPENSES, AS WELL AS MATERIAL RELEASES OF HIDDEN RESERVES, RESERVES FOR GENERAL BANKING RISKS, AND VALUE ADJUSTMENTS AND PROVISIONS NO LONGER REQUIRED

"Extraordinary income" mainly comprises an allocation from composition proceedings in the amount of CHF 177 616, a dividend from composition proceedings in the amount of CHF 31 172, proceeds from legal proceedings in the amount of CHF 31 050, and an unrealised obligation reported under "Other liabilities" in the amount of CHF 287 228. "Extraordinary liabilities" in the amount of CHF 24 000 are attributable to various arrangements.

The item "Changes to provisions and other value adjustments, and losses" relate to the release of provisions no longer required, due in particular to the ending of legal proceedings in the Bank's favour.

37. DISCLOSURE OF AND REASONS FOR REVALUATIONS OF PARTICIPATIONS AND TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS UP TO ACQUISITION COST AT MAXIMUM

No revaluation was performed in the year under review.

38. PRESENTATION OF THE OPERATING RESULT BROKEN DOWN ACCORDING TO DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN ORIGIN, ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLE OF PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT

in CHF	31.12.2017			
	Switzerland		Total	
Net result from interest operations	40 019 915	3 180 119	43 200 034	
Net commission and service income	22 316 296	1 866 590	24 182 886	
Result from trading activities and the fair value option	22 910 643	438 558	23 349 201	
Other result from ordinary activities	(814 300)	(46 958)	(861 258)	
Operating expenses	64 051 732	3 711 058	67 762 790	
Operating result	20 380 822	1 727 251	22 108 073	

* The "Abroad" column refers to the branch in the Principality of Monaco.

39. PRESENTATION OF CURRENT TAXES, DEFERRED TAXES, AND DISCLOSURE OF TAX RATE

At 31 December 2017 there were only current taxes amounting to CHF 4 840 000.

40. DISCLOSURES AND EXPLANATIONS OF THE EARNINGS PER EQUITY SECURITY IN THE CASE OF LISTED BANKS

Not applicable.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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To the General Meeting of Banca Popolare di Sondrio (Suisse) SA, Lugano Lugano, 30 January 2018

Report of the statutory auditor on the financial statements

As statutory auditor, we have audited financial statements of Banca Popolare di Sondrio (Suisse) SA, which comprise the balance sheet, income statement, cash flow statement, statement of changes in equity and notes (pages 21-58), for the year ended 31 December 2017.



Board of Directors' responsibility

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining an internal control system relevant to the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. The Board of Directors is further responsible for selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.



Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Swiss law and Swiss Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal control system relevant to the entity's preparation of the 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 system. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017 comply with Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation.



Other matter

The financial statements of Banca Popolare di Sondrio (Suisse) SA for the year ended 31 December 2016 were audited by another statutory auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements on 3 February 2017.



Report on other legal requirements

We confirm that we meet the legal requirements on licensing according to the Auditor Oversight Act (AOA) and independence (article 728 CO and article 11 AOA) and that there are no circumstances incompatible with our independence.

In accordance with article 728a paragraph 1 item 3 CO and Swiss Auditing Standard 890, we confirm that an internal control system exists, which has been designed for the preparation of financial statements according to the instructions of the Board of Directors.

We further confirm that the proposed appropriation of available earnings complies with Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation. We recommend that the financial statements submitted to you be approved.

Ernst & Young Ltd

Erico Bertoli Licensed audit expert (Auditor in charge)

Beatrice Groppelli Licensed audit expert

Banca Popolare di Sondrio (SUISSE)

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FOREWORD

Sport has played and continues to play a pivotal role in the vast field of human knowledge. The literary works of antiquity frequently tell of competitions organised in celebration of major events or to mark important occasions. You needn't look far – just think of Homer's *lliad* and *Odyssey* or Virgil's *Aeneid*, for example.

Games – in other words sports – are an inherent part of human life that allows us to put our physical and psychological capabilities to the test in order to develop our muscles and minds. Just like in music, sport brings joy to anyone who plays it or takes an interest in it, breaking down barriers and bringing people together. One person who dedicated heart and soul to sport was the Swiss-born Clay (Gian Claudio Giuseppe) Regazzoni, who was born in Lugano on 5 September 1939. He adored cars and motorsport and began competing in Formula 3 at the age of 24. Regazzoni is the hero of the monograph that makes up the cultural section of the BPS (SUISSE) 2017 Annual Report.

The talented Swiss racer competed in numerous Formula 3, 2 and 1 races and was known for his iron will, indisputable skill and consistently outstanding results, which regularly saw him finish first or in the top few places. These achievements always earned him widespread acclaim accompanied by wonder and admiration. He made his Formula 1 debut in 1970 at the wheel of a Ferrari. The fireball of the eponymous Italian car manufacturer known for its prancing horse mascot, the Ferrari embodies a glorious history of responsibility, sacrifice and success.

Regazzoni was an instinctive driver with an aggressive yet steady driving style. His in-depth knowledge of mechanics gained at his family's body shop helped him get his racing cars ready for action.

His competitive career broke off in 1980 on the Californian circuit in Long Beach following a serious accident that left the champion in a wheelchair.

However, Clay Regazzoni battled against the struggles that had so suddenly befallen him and believed he still had something left to offer his fans and the world of motorsport. His determination and extraordinary passion for cars coupled with his strong desire to be of use to people – despite everything – prompted him, among other things, to design hand-controlled driving systems. In this way, Regazzoni promoted the integration of the disabled into sport – a group for which he felt a particular affinity. He was one of the founders of the Federazione Italiana Sportiva Automobilismo Patenti Speciali [Italian Motorsport Federation for Special Licences, FISAPS]. His work with associations and charitable organisations, to which he gave both his time and money, were testament to the exceptional altruism which was such a natural part of who he was and which, strange though it may seem, was only sharpened by his disability. Even after his dreadful accident in the US, he managed to rediscover and maintain his positive outlook and easy-going nature.

The fearless driver from Ticino was 67 at the time of his death on 15 December 2006, when his car crashed into a truck on the Autostrada del Sole motorway in the municipality of Fontevivo (Parma). The champion was laid to rest overlooking Lugano, the town where he was born, at the cemetery in Porza.

First and foremost, I would like to express my gratitude to the widow of this extraordinary Swiss celebrity, Mariapia Regazzoni, and to her children, Alessia and Gian Maria, all of whom have consistently taken a keen and active interest in this monograph on Clay – a beloved husband and father.

On top of this, I would also like to commend Alessia Regazzoni on the vivid accounts she has shared with such affection in her contributions to this study on her father. The other contributors include Pino Allievi, Nicola Nenci, Cristiano Chiavegato, Cesare De Agostini, Piero Ferrari and Mauro Forghieri. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to them all and to congratulate them on the quality of these pieces, in which they fondly recall all manner of different stories of the Ticinese star and poignant anecdotes from his life.

I would also like to thank my colleagues at BPS (SUISSE) and our parent company in Sondrio who, in many different ways, have dedicated their time and energy to ensure success.

Lugano, January 2018

Chairman Mario Alberto Pedranzini