

# BASEL III PILLAR III DISCLOSURES 31 DECEMBER 2016

# ALUBAF Arab International Bank B.S.C (c) Basel III -Pillar III disclosures As at 31 December 2016

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#### 1. Introduction

Central Bank of Bahrain("CBB"), the regulating body for Banks and Financial Institutions in the Kingdom of Bahrain, provides a common framework for the implementation of Basel III accord.

The Basel II framework is based on three pillars:

- Pillar I defines the regulatory minimum capital requirements by providing rules and regulations for measurement of credit risk, market risk and operational risk. The requirement of capital has to be covered by own regulatory funds.
- Pillar II addresses the Bank's internal processes for assessing overall capital adequacy in relation to risks (ICAAP). Pillar II also introduces the Supervisory review and Evaluation Process (SREP), which assesses the internal capital adequacy.
- Pillar III complements the other two pillars and focuses on enhanced transparency in information disclosure, covering risk and capital management, including capital adequacy.

This document gathers together all the elements of the disclosure required under Pillar III and complies with the public disclosure module of CBB, in order to enhance corporate governance and financial transparency. This disclosure report is in addition to the financial statements presented in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

# 2. Corporate Structure

ALUBAF Arab International Bank B.S.C. (c) ("the Bank") is a closed Bahraini joint stock company incorporated in the Kingdom of Bahrain and registered with the Ministry of Industry and Commerce under Commercial Registration (CR) number 12819. The Bank operates under a wholesale banking license issued by the Central Bank of Bahrain under the new integrated licensing framework. The Bank's registered office is at Alubaf Tower, Al Seef District, P O Box 11529, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain.

The Bank is majority owned by Libyan Foreign Bank (Shareholding 99.50%), a bank registered in Libya.

# 3. Capital Structure

The Bank's Capital base comprise of Tier I capital, which includes share capital, statutory reserve and retained earnings and Tier II capital, which includes collective impairment loss provision.

The Bank's issued and paid up capital was US\$ 250 million as at 31 December 2016, comprising of 5 million equity shares of US\$ 50 each.

Break down of Capital Base		
	US\$ '000s	US\$ '000s
	CET I	Tier II
Share Capital	250,000	ı
Statutory reserve	20,174	ı
Retained earnings	50,337	ı
Loss for current period	(14,685)	ı
Unrealized loss on Available for sale financial instruments	(3,549)	-
Less: Regulatory adjustment for Intangibles	(428)	
Collective impairment loss provision	-	3,500
Total	301,849	3,500
Total Available Capital		305,349

ALUBAF recorded a net loss of US\$ 14,685 thousand for the year ended 31 December 2016.

# 4. Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)

The purpose of capital management at the Bank is to ensure the efficient utilization of capital in relation to business requirements and growth, risk profile and shareholders' returns and expectations.

The Bank manages its capital structure and makes adjustments in the light of changes in economic conditions and risk characteristics of its activities.

Capital adequacy ratio calculation:

The Bank's capital adequacy ratio of 39.84% is well above the minimum regulatory requirement of 12.5%.

	US\$ '000
Total Eligible Capital Base	305,349
Risk weighted assets (RWA)	
Credit risk	659,039
Market risk	275
Operational risk	107,150
	766,464
CET I ratio	39.38%
Capital adequacy ratio	39.84%

# 5. Profile of risk-weighted assets and capital charge

The Bank has adopted the standardized approach for credit risk, market risk and the Basic indicator approach for operational risk for regulatory reporting purposes. The Bank's risk weighted capital requirement for credit, market and operational risks are given below:

#### 5.1 Credit risk

#### **Definition of exposure classes per Standard Portfolio**

The Bank has funded and unfunded credit portfolio. The exposures are classified as per the Standard portfolio approach mentioned under the CBB's Basel II capital adequacy framework covering the standardized approach for credit risk.

The descriptions of the counterparty classes along with the risk weights used to derive the risk weighted assets are as follows:

#### (a) Claims on sovereigns

These pertain to exposures to governments and their central banks. Claims on Bahrain are risk weighted at 0%, while claims on other sovereigns, denominated in a non-relevant currency and unrated are assigned a risk weight of 100%.

#### (b) Claims on banks

Claims on Banks are risk weighted based on the ratings assigned to them by external rating agencies. However, short term claims on locally incorporated banks and claims maturing within three months and denominated in Bahrain Dinars or US Dollars are risk weighted at 20%. Other claims on banks, which are in foreign currency, are risk weighted using standard risk weights ranging from 20% to 100%. Unrated claims on banks are assigned a risk weight of 20% & 50% respectively.

#### (c) Claims on corporate portfolio

Claims on corporate portfolio are risk weighted based on external credit ratings and are assigned a risk weight of 100% for unrated corporate portfolio.

#### (d) Past due exposure

Past due exposures include Loans and advances of which interest or repayment of principal are due for more than 90 days; Past due exposures, net of specific provisions are risk weighted as follows:

- (a) 150% risk weight, when specific provisions are less than 20% of the outstanding amount.
- (b) 100% risk weight, when specific provisions are greater than 20% of the outstanding amount of the loan.

#### (e) Equity portfolios

Investments in listed equities are risk weighted at 100%.

#### (f) Any exposure exceeding 15% of Total capital

Claims on Banks or Corporate and other sovereigns or equity exposure that exceed 15% of total capital are risk weighted at 800%.

#### (g) Other exposures

These are risk weighted at 100%.

# 5. Profile of risk-weighted assets and capital charge (continued)

## 5.1 Credit risk (continued)

Credit exposure and risk weighted assets US\$ '000

	Funded exposures	Unfunded exposures	Gross credit	Eligible collateral	Risk weighted assets	Capital charge
			exposures			
Claims on sovereigns	488,709	6,502	495,211	15,720	192,692	24,087
Claims on banks	572,562	47,304	619,866	12,961	342,165	42,771
Claims on corporate	93,723	27,945	121,668	4,748	94,749	11,844
Past due exposures	16,436	-	16,436	-	16,436	2,055
Equity portfolio	210	-	210	-	210	26
Other exposures	12,787		12,787	-	12,787	1,598
Total	1,184,427	81,751	1,266,178	33,429	659,039	82,381

#### Gross credit exposure before credit risk mitigation

#### US\$ '000

	Gross credit	Average monthly
	exposure	gross exposure
Claims from Sovereigns	488,709	447,414
Claims from Banks	572,562	712,098
Claims on Corporate	93,723	114,292
Past due exposures	16,436	38,000
Equity Portfolio	210	339
Other exposures	12,787	13,851
Total funded exposure	1,184,427	1,325,994
Unfunded exposures	81,751	114,171
Gross credit exposures	1,266,178	1,440,164

Average monthly balance represents the average of the sum of twelve month end balance for the year ended 31 December 2016.

#### 5.2 Market risk

The Bank's capital requirement for market risk in accordance with the standardised methodology is as follows:

#### <u>US\$ '000</u>

	Risk weighted exposures	Capital charge	Maximum value	Minimum value
Foreign exchange risk	275	34	4,175	275

# 5. Profile of risk-weighted assets and capital charge (continued)

#### 5.3 Operational risk

In accordance with the Basic indicator approach, the total capital charge in respect of operational risk was US\$ 13,394 thousand on operational risk weighted exposure of US\$ 107,150 thousand. This operational risk weighted exposure is computed using the Basic indicator approach, where a fixed percentage (Alpha), which is 15% of the average previous of three years' annual gross income, is multiplied by 12.5 operational capital charge; years with positive gross income are counted for computation of capital charge. This computation is as per CBB rulebook.

# 6. Risk Management

Risk is inherent in the Bank's business activities and is managed through a process of on going identification, measurement, controlling and monitoring. The Bank is exposed to credit risk, market and operational risk. Risk strategies of the Bank to mitigate the various risks were effective throughout the year.

Following is the Risk and Capital Management Structure:

#### **Board of Directors**

Board Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee
Management Risk Committee
Asset Liability Management Committee

The Board of Directors is responsible for the best practice management and risk oversight. Board of Directors defines the risk appetite and risk tolerance standards and oversees that risk process standards are in place. At the second level, Executive management is responsible for the identification and evaluation on a continuous basis of all significant risks to the business and implementation of appropriate internal controls to minimize them. Senior management is responsible for monitoring credit lending portfolio, country limits and interbank limits and general credit policy matters, which are reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors.

Independent internal audit of risk management process is conducted and its findings are to the Audit , Risk and Compliance Committee, which is appointed by the Board of Directors.

#### 6.1 Credit risk concentrations and thresholds

The first level of protection against undue credit risk is through country and industry threshold limits, together with individual borrower threshold limits. Single name concentrations are monitored on an individual basis. Under the CBB's single obligor regulations, banks incorporated in Bahrain are required to obtain the CBB's approval for any planned exposure to a single counterparty or group of connected counterparties exceeding 15% of the regulatory capital base.

#### 6.1 Credit risk concentrations and thresholds (continued)

As at 31 December 2016, the Bank's exposure in excess of 15% of the obligor limits to individual counterparties is shown below:

US \$ '000	Funded exposure	Unfunded exposure	Total	
Counterparty A *	354,000	Nil	354,000	
Counterparty B **	57,418	Nil	57,418	
Counterparty C ***	46,075	Nil	46,075	

<sup>\*</sup> Comprise of CBB Treasury Bills and exempted exposure.

#### Risk mitigation -collateral

The amount and type of collateral depends on an assignment of the credit risk, credit rating and market conditions of the counterparty. The types of collateral mainly include cash collaterals for both funded and unfunded credit exposures, which is liquidated on maturity/expiry date. However, the impact on cash collateral will be nil with credit downgrade.

Majority of the collateral taken by the Bank is in cash; therefore, concentration risk is not significant. For further details on refer note 22.2 of the annual audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

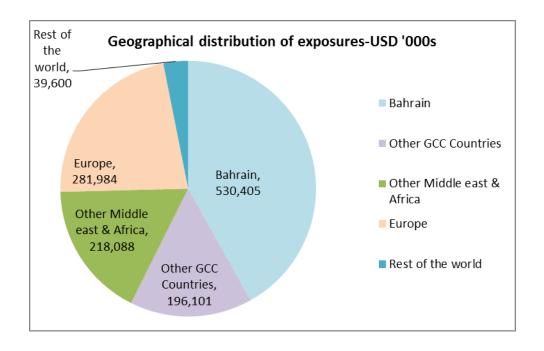
#### 6.2 Geographical distribution of exposures based on residence is summarized below:

#### US\$'000

	Gross credit	Funded	Unfunded
	exposure	exposure	exposure
Bahrain	530,405	530,405	ı
Other GCC Countries	196,101	182,352	13,749
Other Middle east &			
Africa	218,088	156,582	61,506
Europe	281,984	277,780	4,204
Rest of the world	39,600	37,308	2,292
Total	1,266,178	1,184,427	81,751

<sup>\*\*</sup> Exempted lending to Sovereign with Pledge deposit, as credit mitigant.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Exempted lending to Sovereign, of which USD 1,460 thousand matured within three months.



## **6.2** Geographical distribution of exposures

The geographical distribution of gross credit exposures by major type of credit exposures can be analyzed as follows:

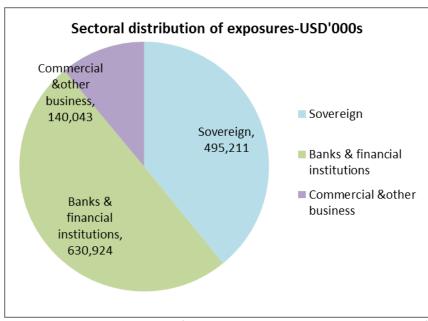
US\$ '000

	Bahrain	Other GCC Countries	Other Middle East and Africa	Europe	Rest Of the world	Total
Claims from Sovereigns	332,205	35,747	113,783	-	6,974	488,708
Claims from Banks	180,289	131,768	26,299	208,864	25,342	572,562
Claims on Corporate	5,254	14,730	-	68,830	4,909	93,723
Past due exposures	-	-	16,436	-	-	16,436
Equity Portfolio	20	107	-	-	83	210
Other exposures	12,637	-	64	86	-	12,787
Total funded exposure	530,405	182,352	156,582	277,780	37,308	1,184,427
Unfunded exposures	-	13,749	61,506	4,204	2,292	81,751
Gross credit exposures	530,405	196,101	218,088	281,984	39,600	1266,178

## 6.3 Industry sector analysis of exposures is summarized below:

US\$ '000

	Gross credit exposure	Funded exposure	Unfunded exposure
Sovereign	495,211	488,709	6,502
Banks & financial			
institutions	630,924	583,620	47,304
Commercial &other			
business	140,043	112,098	27,945
Total	1,266,178	1,184,427	81,751



The industry sector analysis of gross credit exposures by major types of credit exposures can be analyzed as follows:

**USD '000s** 

	Banks & financial institutions	Sovereign	Commercial & other businesses	Total
Claims from Sovereigns	-	488,709	1	488,709
Claims from Banks	572,562	-	-	572,562
Claims on Corporate	ı	ı	93,723	93,723
Past due exposures	10,873	ı	5,563	16,436
Equity Portfolio	20	ı	190	210
Other exposures	165	-	12,622	12,787
Total funded exposure	583,620	488,709	112,098	1,184,427
Unfunded exposures	47,304	6,502	27,945	81,751
Gross credit exposures	630,924	495,211	140,043	1,266,178

#### 6.4 Exposure by external credit rating

The Bank uses external credit ratings from Standard & Poors, Moodys and Fitch, which are accredited External Credit Assessment Institutions (ECAI). The Bank assigns risk weights through the mapping process provided by CBB to the rating grades. TheBank uses the highest risk weight associated, in case of two or more eligible ECAI are chosen. The breakdown of the Bank's exposure into rated and unrated categories is as follows:

US\$ '000

	Funded	Unfunded	Rated-High	Rated-Standard	Unrated
	exposure	exposure	standard grade	grade exposure	exposure
			exposure		
Claims on sovereigns	488,709	6,502	7,564	389,634	98,013
Claims on banks	572,562	47,304	80,975	407,617	131,274
Claims on corporate	93,723	27,945	11,177	29,906	80,585
Past due exposures	16,436	ı	ı	ı	16,436
Equity portfolio	210	-	-	20	190
Other exposures	12,787	-	-	-	12,787
Total	1,184,427	81,751	99,716	827,177	339,285

#### 6.5 Maturity analysis of funded exposures

Residual contractual maturities of the Bank's funded exposures are as follows:

#### US\$ '000

	Within 1	1-3	3-12	Total	1-10	Over10	Undated	Total
	month	months	months	within 1	years	Years		
				year				
Claims on								
Sovereigns	133,571	119,981	28,005	281,557	162,537	44,615	1	488,709
Claims on								
Banks	417,539	80,091	38,988	536,618	30,914	5,030	-	572,562
Claims on								
Corporate	21,439	5,108	23,798	50,345	28,931	14,507	-	93,723
Past due								
exposures	-	-	-	-	16,436	-	-	16,436
Equity								
Portfolio	210	-	-	210	-	-	-	210
Other								
exposures	51	504	24	579	1,059	-	11,149	12,787
Total	572,810	205,684	90,815	869,309	239,877	64,152	11,149	1,184,427

### 6.5 Maturity analysis of unfunded exposures

US\$ '000

	Notional principal	Within 1 month	1-3 months	3-12 month s	Total within 1 year	Over one year	Total
Claims on Sovereigns	6,502	_	-	4,816	4,816	1,686	6,502
Claims from Banks	47,304	3,442	20,937	22,925	47,304	-	47,304
Claims from Corporate	27,945	-	21,593	6,352	27,945	-	27,945
Total	81,751	3,442	42,530	34,093	80,065	1,686	81,751

#### **Credit-related contingent items:**

Credit related contingent items comprise letters of credit confirmations, acceptance and guarantees. For credit-related contingent items, the nominal value is converted to an exposure through the application of a credit conversion factor (CCF). The CCF applied is at 20% to convert off balance sheet notional amounts into an equivalent on balance sheet exposure.

#### 6.7 Impairment of assets

The Bank makes an assessment at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is objective evidence that a specific financial asset may be impaired. If such evidence exists, an impairment loss is recognized in the statement of comprehensive income.

Evidence of impairment may include indications that a borrower is experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments, the probability that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial re-organisation and where, observable data indicates, that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

The Bank provides sufficiently by specific provision for any impairment and additionally, makes a collective provision of the net loans portfolio higher than 1% as required by the regulator. Refer Disclosures made under 7.2 for details of impaired loans and relative specific provision made during 2016.

#### 6.8 Market Risk

Market risk is the risk of potential financial loss that may arise from adverse changes in the value of a financial instrument or portfolio of financial instruments due to movements in interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices. This risk arises from asset - liability mismatches, changes that occur in the yield curve and foreign exchange rates. Given the Bank's low risk strategy, aggregate market risk levels are considered very low.

Interest rate risk on the Banking book arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect the value of financial instruments. The Bank is exposed to interest rate risk as a result of mismatches or gaps in the amounts of assets and liabilities and off-balance sheet instruments that mature or reprice in a given period. The Bank manages this risk by matching the repricing of assets and liabilities through basis point value approach, which measures changes in economic value resulting from changes in interest rates. The Bank's interest rate sensitivity position as of 31 December 2016 for a change in 200 basis points will result in an increase or decrease on statement of income by +/(-) US\$ 10,453 thousand for US\$ denominated and US\$ 299 on Euro denominated financial instruments.

**Currency risk** arises from the movement of the rate of exchange over a period of time. The Banks currency risk is limited to Euro denominated assets and liabilities, as Bahrain Dinars and GCC Currencies (except Kuwaiti Dinars) are pegged to US Dollars. The Bank limits this risk by monitoring positions on a regular basis. Thus, the Banks' exposure to currency risk is minimal and insignificant.

**Liquidity risk** is the risk that the Bank will be unable to meet its funding requirements. Liquidity risk can be caused by market disruptions or a credit downgrade which may cause certain sources of funding to dry up immediately. During 2016, the Bank depended mainly on its own capital and assets were managed with liquidity in mind, maintaining a healthy balance of cash, cash equivalents and deposits with banks.

#### 6.9 Operational Risk

Operational risk is defined as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes or systems, or from external events. Operational risk is inherent in all business activities and can never be eliminated entirely, however shareholder value can be preserved and enhanced by managing, mitigating and, in some cases, insuring against operational risk. To achieve this goal, the Bank intends to make operational risk transparent throughout the enterprise, to which end processes are being developed to provide for regular reporting of relevant operational risk management information to senior management and the Board of Directors.

Operational functions of booking, recording and monitoring of transactions are performedby staff that are independent of the individuals initiating the transactions. Each business line including Operations, Information Technology, Human Resources, Compliance and Financial Control – is further responsible for employing the aforementioned framework processes and control programmes to manage its operational risk within the guidelines established by the Bank policy, and to develop internal procedures that comply with these policies.

#### 6.10 Capital management:

#### **Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP)**

The Bank's capital management aims to maintain an optimum level of capital to enable it to pursue the Bank's corporate strategies whilst meeting regulatory ratio requirements.

Comprehensive assessment of economic capital, i.e., credit, market and operational risks and processes relating to other risks such as liquidity, is made, reviewed and monitored regularly. The Bank's capital adequacy ratio of 39.84% is well above the regulatory requirement and provides a healthy cushion against any stress conditions.

#### **Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process (SREP):**

Central Bank of Bahrain (CBB) is the regulator for the Bank and sets the minimum capital requirement. CBB requires the Bank to maintain a 12.5% minimum ratio of total capital to risk weighted assets, taking into account both on balance sheet and off balance sheet exposures. The Bank maintains a strong and healthy capital adequacy ratio.

#### 7 Other Disclosures

#### 7.1 Related Party transactions

Related party represents major shareholders, directors, key management personnel and entities significantly influenced by such parties. Pricing policies are at arm's length and approved by executive management and Board of Directors.

31 December 2016 US\$ '000

Exposures to related parties: 34,661

Liabilities to related parties:

Connected deposits 446,449

For further detail refer note 24 and 25 of the annual audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.

# 7 Other Disclosures (continued)

## 7.2 Impaired loans and related provision:

31 December 2016

US\$ '000

Gross impaired loans 82,388
Less: Specific provision (65,952)
Net impaired loans 16,436

#### **Movement in impairment provision:**

US\$ '000	Specific	Collective	Total
	Provision	Provision	
Opening balance -1 January 2016	28,443	3,765	32,208
Charge /movement during the year-			
net	37,732	(265)	37,467
Recoveries during the year			-
Write off during the year			-
Exchange difference	(223)		(223)
Closing balance -31 December 2016	65,952	3,500	69,452

The impaired loans and provisions against these loans (both collective and specific) relate to commercial and business loans in Middle East & North Africa region.

#### Ageing analysis of past due and impaired loans by sector and geographical area:

US\$'000s	Middle East & North Africa	Total	
	More than 180		
	days		
Claims on corporate	35,521	35,521	
Claims on Banks	46,867	46,867	
Total	82,388	82,388	
Less: Specific Provision	(65,952)	(65,952)	
Net Impaired loans	16,436	16,436	

# 7 Other Disclosures (continued)

#### 7.3 Restructured facilities:

31 December 2016 US\$ '000

Balance of any restructured credit facilities as at year end 72,565

Loans restructured during the year 46,651

Impact of restructured credit facilities on present and future earning -

Interest concession, reduced installment amount and long tenure concession was made on restructured loan.

- **7.4 Assets sold under recourse agreements**: The Bank did not enter into any recourse agreements during the year ended 31 December 2016.
- 7.5 Equity positions in the banking book:

31 December 2016 US\$ '000

Equity 210

The Bank's exposure to equity price risk is not significant. Please refer note 22.3.3 of the annual audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016.