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BANGKOK BANK

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TARGET PRICE THB191.00 **CLOSE** THB145.00 **UP/DOWNSIDE** +31.7% PRIOR TP THB198.00 **CHANGE IN TP** -3.5% TP vs CONSENSUS -1.8%

NANS

More robust than expected asset quality

- Lower-than-expected 4Q23 profit had no cause for concern, mainly dragged by lower investment gains, not asset quality problems.
- We still have a cautious view of the 2024 outlook, especially its overseas business amid a decreasing interest rate trend.
- Reiterate our BUY call with attractive dividend yields of 4-5% p.a.

4Q23 profit was below our estimate and BBG's consensus

BBL reported a 4Q23 net profit of THB8.86b, 17% below our estimates and 19% below BBG's consensus, which decreased by 21.9% q-q but increased by 17.1% y-y. Key drags were from 1) a minor loss booking on FVTPL investment, which was much lower than our expected gain of THB2.0b, and 2) higher-than-expected seasonal operating expenses, causing the cost-toincome ratio to finish at 56.0% for 4Q23 and 48.8% for 2023, which was still below BBL's guidance of low 50%. PPOP was THB18.6b, dropping by 20.5% q-q but rising by 4.3% y-y. Net interest income delivered impressive growth of 3.0% q-q and 15.5% y-y, with NIM rising to 3.14%, up 8bp from 3Q23. Overall, 2023 NIM was 2.95%, exceeding BBL's guidance of 2.50%. 4Q23 loan growth contracted by 1.9% q-q and 0.4% y-y, due mainly to the repayment of commercial and business loans. Fee income was relatively stable q-q and slightly dropped y-y as expected. However, the lower-thanexpected 4Q23 investment gains caused the non-NII to drop q-q but still have a strong growth y-y.

Asset quality was well under control

Asset quality had no cause for concern. The 2023 NPL ratio was better than expected, lowering to 2.70% (our calculation was 3.22%) - still much lower than BBL's 2023 guidance of 3.50%. The 4Q23 credit costs were also lower than expected at 109bp, down from 132bp in 3Q23. The 2023 credit costs increased to 126bp, exceeding BBL's guidance of 100bp, with a rising NPL coverage ratio of 315%.

Cautious view of 2024 business outlook

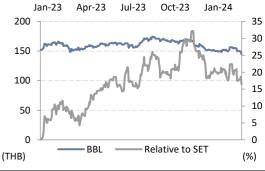
We have cut our 2024-25E net profit by 9.5% and 10.4% from the previous, resulting in a sluggish growth of 1.0% y-y and 4.1% y-y, respectively, as shown in Exhibit 3, due mainly to the revision of loan growth, non-NII growth, and credit cost. We have toned down our positive outlook on BBL due to 2024 headwinds for its overseas business since the 3Q23 analyst meeting in late October 2023.

Reiterate our BUY call with attractive dividend yields

We retain our BUY call due to its well-diversified operations. We have cut our GGM-based 2024 TP to THB191 (from THB198) to reflect our lower earnings forecast, implying a P/BV of 0.65x. The current share price is cheap, trading below its 5Y average P/BV of 0.60x, with attractive dividend yields of c4-5% p.a.

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Operating profit	52,046	53,094	55,298	58,609
Net profit	41,635	42,037	43,779	46,404
EPS (THB)	21.81	22.02	22.93	24.31
vs Consensus (%)	-	(0.6)	(4.2)	(3.0)
Recurring net profit	41,635	42,037	43,779	46,404
Core EPS (THB)	21.81	22.02	22.93	24.31
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	(9.5)	(10.4)	-
EPS growth (%)	42.1	1.0	4.1	6.0
Core P/E (x)	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.0
Dividend yield (%)	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.9
Price/book (x)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4
ROE (%)	8.1	7.7	7.6	7.6
ROA (%)	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(4.6)	(13.4)	(6.1)
Relative to country (%)	(3.5)	(9.7)	14.8
Mkt cap (USD m)			7,780
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			33.0
Free float (%)			76
Major shareholder		Thai N\	/DR (23%)
12m high/low (THB)		175	.00/145.00
Issued shares (m)			1,909

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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Investment thesis

We tone down the short-term business outlook but retain our BUY call due to:

- Alarming signs from its business in Vietnam and China in the short term due to their economic slowdown, which could impact working capital loan demand.
- Among our covered banks, BBL should benefit the most from the interest rate uptrend. However, if the interest rate turns the opposite trend, BBL would also be hit the most.
- 3) BBL also has solid long-term growth potential from its domestic and international banking businesses.
- 4) Its efficiency in asset quality management with a high coverage ratio (LLR/NPL) and liquidity ratio (LDBR), coupled with a solid capital base, are vital catalysts to support growth and drive ROE in the long run.

Company profile

Bangkok Bank is a leading bank in Thailand and a major regional bank in Southeast Asia. It is a market leader in corporate and business banking, with a large retail customer base.

www.bangkokbank.com

Principal activities (revenue, 2023)

■ Net interest income - 78.1 %



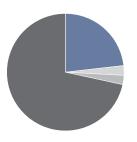
Non-interest income - 21.9 %

Source: Bangkok Bank

Major shareholders

- Thai NVDR 23.2 %
- Social Security Office 2.7 %
- State Street Europe Ltd 2.5 %
- Others 71.6 %

Source: Bangkok Bank



Catalysts

Potential share price catalysts for BBL include:

- Higher foreign direct investment (FDI) into Thailand and ASEAN countries.
- The Bank of Thailand's higher policy rate increase than expected.
- Lower credit cost from better-than-expected asset quality.

Risks to our call

Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) an impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.

Event calendar

Date	Event
Apr 2024	1Q24 results announcement

Key assumptions

	2024E	2025E	2026E
Net profit (THB m)	42,037	43,779	46,404
Net profit growth (%)	1.0	4.1	6.0
NIM (%)	2.94	2.91	2.91
Loan growth (%)	3.0	3.0	3.0
Fee growth (%)	1.0	1.0	1.0
Non-NII growth (%)	2.8	1.4	1.5
Credit cost (bp)	129	122	115
Cost to income (%)	48.9	49.4	49.8

Source: FSSIA estimates

Earnings sensitivity

		2024E					
Loan growth	±2ppt	1	3.0	5			
% change in net profit		(2.4)	-	2.4			
NIM (%)	±5bp	2.89	2.94	2.99			
% change in net profit		(4.4)	-	4.4			
Credit cost (bp)	±10bp	119	129	139			
% change in net profit		4.9	-	(4.9)			

Source: FSSIA estimates

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The 4Q23 loan growth was disappointing, contracting by 1.9% q-q and 0.4% y-y, due mainly to the repayment of commercial and business loans, while the corporate loans still showed solid growth.

Fee income was relatively stable q-q and slightly dropped y-y as expected. However, the lower-than-expected 4Q23 investment gains caused the non-NII to drop drastically q-q but still have a strong growth y-y.

The 2023 net profit increased to THB41.6b, a significant growth of 42.1% y-y, pushed by a solid net interest income growth aligning with the rising interest rate trend throughout the year.

Exhibit 1: BBL - 4Q23 results summary

Year-end Dec 31	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	Cha	nge	2022	2023	Change
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y %)				
Net interest income	30,454	30,077	31,487	34,130	35,165	3.0	15.5	102,223	130,860	28.0
Non-interest income	6,431	10,215	10,956	8,443	7,028	(16.8)	9.3	36,672	36,627	(0.1)
Fee income - net	6,958	7,122	6,571	6,773	6,768	(0.1)	(2.7)	27,508	27,234	(1.0)
Total operating income	36,886	40,293	42,443	42,573	42,193	(0.9)	14.4	138,895	167,487	20.6
Total operating expenses	19,071	18,850	20,111	19,208	23,621	23.0	23.9	69,019	81,775	18.5
PPOP before tax	17,815	21,442	22,332	23,365	18,572	(20.5)	4.3	69,876	85,712	22.7
Expected credit loss	7,914	8,474	8,880	8,969	7,343	(18.1)	(7.2)	32,647	33,667	3.1
Income tax	2,257	2,728	2,047	2,938	2,281	(22.3)	1.1	7,484	9,993	33.5
Non-controlling interest	74	112	112	108	84	(22.4)	14.4	440	417	(5.2)
Net profit	7,569	10,129	11,293	11,350	8,863	(21.9)	17.1	29,306	41,636	42.1
EPS (THB)	3.97	5.31	5.92	5.95	4.64	(21.9)	17.1	15.35	21.81	42.1
Key ratios	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	CI	nange	2022	2023 (Current)	Change
Asset quality ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(%)	(THB m)	(y-y %)
Gross NPLs (THB m)	97,188	98,359	93,285	94,884	85,955	(9.4)	(11.6)	97,188	85,955	(11.6)
% from prior period	(9.2)	1.2	(5.2)	1.7	(9.4)			(3.9)	(11.6)	
NPL ratio (%)*	3.62	3.73	3.46	3.48	3.22			3.62	3.22	
Coverage ratio (%)*	261	265	287	283	315			261	315	
NPL ratios (%) - reported	3.10	3.09	2.90	3.00	2.70			3.10	2.70	
Coverage ratio (%) - reported	261	265	287	283	315			261	315	
Credit cost (bp)	116	127	133	132	109			124	126	
Profitability ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
Cost to income ratio	51.7	46.8	47.4	45.1	56.0			49.7	48.8	
Average yield (%)	3.80	4.01	4.26	4.51	4.70			3.22	4.39	
Cost of funds (%)	1.21	1.53	1.70	1.74	1.87			1.01	1.71	
NIM (%)*	2.79	2.73	2.83	3.06	3.14			2.36	2.95	
NIM (%) - reported	2.84	2.84	2.91	3.11	3.19			2.42	3.02	
Non-NII /total inc. (%)	17.4	25.4	25.8	19.8	16.7			26.4	21.9	
Loan growth	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
q-q	(4.1)	(1.6)	2.2	0.9	(1.9)					
у-у	3.6	2.0	1.7	(2.6)	(0.4)			3.6	(0.4)	
Year-to-date	3.6	(1.6)	0.6	1.5	(0.4)					

Sources: BBL; FSSIA's compilation

Asset quality was under control and in line with 2023 guidance

Asset quality had no cause for concern. The 2023 NPL ratio was better than expected, lowering to 2.70% (our calculation was 3.22%) – still much lower than BBL's 2023 guidance of 3.50%. The 4Q23 credit costs were also lower than expected at 109bp, down from 132bp in 3Q23. The 2023 credit costs increased to 126bp, exceeding BBL's guidance of 100bp, with a rising NPL coverage ratio of 315%.

Exhibit 2: Staged loans and ECL

	2021	2022	2Q23	2021	2022	2Q23
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(%)	(%)	(%)
	Staged loans			% Staged Ioans		
Stage 1	2,355,774	2,450,031	2,466,143	90.75	90.98	91.01
Stage 2	136,348	142,485	146,832	5.25	5.29	5.42
Stage 3	103,706	100,313	96,670	4.00	3.73	3.57
Total	2,595,828	2,692,829	2,709,645	100.00	100.00	100.00
	Allowance for ECL			% ECL to staged lo	ans	
Stage 1	79,989	96,662	105,385	3.40	3.95	4.27
Stage 2	65,387	73,258	78,538	47.96	51.41	53.49
Stage 3	74,425	73,554	73,193	71.77	73.32	75.71
Total	219,801	243,474	257,116	8.47	9.04	9.49
LLR / Loans	(%)	(%)	(%)			
Stage 1	3.40	3.95	4.27			
Stage 2	47.96	51.41	53.49			
Stage 3	71.77	73.32	75.71			
Total	8.47	9.04	9.49			
	(%)	(%)	(%)			
NPL / TL	4.00	3.73	3.57			
NPL vs. Stage 2 loans / TL	9.25	9.02	8.99			
LLR / NPL	211.95	242.71	265.97			
LLR / (NPL vs. Stage 2 loans)	91.56	100.28	105.59			

Sources: BBL; FSSIA's compilation

Cautious view on 2024 business outlook

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Exhibit 3: 2024-25E earnings revision

	New		Prev	rious	Change		
	2024E	2025E	2024E	2025E	2024E	2025E	
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(%)	(%)	
Net profit (THB m)	42,037	43,779	46,452	48,871	(9.5)	(10.4)	
EPS (THB)	22.02	22.93	24.34	25.60	(9.5)	(10.4)	
Target price (THB)	191		198				
Key statistics and ratios							
Net profit growth (%)	1.0	4.1	6.7	5.2			
NIM (%)	2.94	2.91	2.99	2.99			
Loan growth (%)	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0			
Fee growth (%)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0			
Non-NII growth (%)	2.8	1.4	5.5	1.3			
Credit cost (bp)	129.1	121.7	123.0	120.0			
Cost to income (%)	48.9	49.4	47.7	47.7			
NPL ratio	3.20	3.19	3.69	3.73			

Source: FSSIA estimates

Reiterate our BUY call with new 2024 GGM-based TP of THB191

We retain our BUY call due to its well-diversified operations. We have cut our GGM-based 2024 TP to THB191 (from THB198) to reflect our lower earnings forecast, implying a P/BV of 0.65x. The current share price is cheap, trading below its 5Y average P/BV of 0.60x, with attractive dividend yields of c4-5% p.a.

Exhibit 4: GGM-based 2024 TP

Gordon growth model	
Sustainable ROE	7.0%
g	1.0%
ROE-g	6.0%
Beta	0.90
RF	3.0%
MRP	8.0%
COE	10.2%
COE-g	9.2%
ROE-g/COE-g (PBV)	0.65
FV	191.0

Exhibit 5: Share price performance of banks under our coverage, as of 18 January 2024

		Pric	e performan	ce	
	1M	3M	6M	1Y	YTD
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
BBL TB	(4.61)	(13.95)	(11.59)	(6.15)	(7.35)
KBANK TB	(1.15)	1.98	(4.09)	(15.96)	(4.44)
KKP TB	(3.00)	(7.62)	(20.16)	(33.79)	(3.48)
KTB TB	(3.26)	(7.77)	(11.44)	2.30	(3.26)
SCB TB	0.00	(0.97)	(7.66)	(7.66)	(3.30)
TISCO TB	(0.51)	(0.26)	0.51	(5.10)	(2.01)
TTB TB	1.91	(6.98)	(1.84)	12.68	(4.19)
SETBANK	(1.56)	(5.70)	(8.89)	(7.70)	(4.15)
SET	(1.22)	(3.17)	(10.33)	(18.39)	(2.68)

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 6: BBL - one-year prospective P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Source: Bloomberg

Exhibit 7: BBL - one-year prospective PER band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 8: Regional bank peers comparison, as of 18 January 2024

Company name	Share	Target	Target <i>Upside</i>	side Market PE			PBV		ROE		Div yld	
	price	price		Сар.	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E
	(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD b)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x
Thailand												
Bangkok Bank	145.00	191.00	32	7,780.0	6.6	6.6	0.5	0.5	8.1	7.7	4.4	4.
Kasikornbank	129.00	160.00	24	8,591.3	7.7	6.9	0.6	0.5	7.9	8.2	3.7	4.
Krung Thai Bank	17.80	23.10	30	6,992.7	6.6	6.2	0.6	0.6	9.7	9.6	4.4	4.
SCB X	102.50	121.00	18	9,701.2	8.4	7.7	0.7	0.7	8.7	9.1	7.1	7.
TMBThanachart Bank	1.60	1.79	12	4,356.4	8.6	8.7	0.7	0.7	8.0	7.6	5.8	5.
Kiatnakin Bank	48.50	55.00	13	1,154.4	6.9	6.1	0.7	0.6	10.0	10.7	6.7	6.
Tisco Financial Group	98.00	97.00	(1)	2,199.9	10.7	11.7	1.8	1.8	17.1	15.7	8.2	8.
Thailand weighted average	·	·	•	5,825	9.0	8.5	0.8	0.7	8.9	8.9	4.4	4.
Hong Kong	·		•	,			·	•		•	·	
Industrial & Comm Bank of China	3.57	n/a	n/a	220,979.4	3.3	3.3	0.3	0.3	10.7	10.4	9.4	9.
China Construction Bank	4.37	n/a	n/a	142,958.7	3.1	2.9	0.3	0.3	11.5	11.1	9.8	10.
HSBC Holdings	58.55	n/a	n/a	144,396.1	5.8	5.7	0.9	0.8	15.8	15.5	8.7	10.
Bank of China	2.88	n/a	n/a	146,871.0	3.6	3.4	0.4	0.3	10.2	9.9	8.9	9.
Hong Kong average				163,801	3.9	3.8	0.5	0.4	12.0	11.7	9.2	9.
China												
Industrial & Comm Bank of China	4.85	n/a	n/a	220,943.9	4.9	4.7	0.5	0.5	10.6	10.2	6.4	6.
Agricultural Bank of China	3.69	n/a	n/a	174,126.8	5.0	4.8	0.5	0.5	11.1	10.7	6.2	6.
China Construction Bank	6.52	n/a	n/a	142,935.8	4.9	4.7	0.5	0.5	11.6	11.1	6.2	6.
Bank of China	4.01	n/a	n/a	146,847.4	5.4	5.1	0.5	0.5	10.4	10.1	5.8	6.
China average				171,213	5.0	4.8	0.5	0.5	10.9	10.6	6.2	6.
South Korea	•			<u> </u>	<u>.</u>	•	<u> </u>	•		•		
KB Financial Group	49,400	n/a	n/a	14,833.0	3.9	3.7	0.4	0.3	9.6	9.1	6.6	7.
Shinhan Finanicial Group	36,350	n/a	n/a	14,045.8	4.2	4.0	0.4	0.3	9.2	8.8	5.7	6.
Hana Financial Group	41,100	n/a	n/a	8,935.8	3.3	3.2	0.3	0.3	9.8	9.6	8.5	9.
Industrial Bank of Korea	11,490	n/a	n/a	6,880.4	3.4	3.4	0.3	0.3	9.5	9.1	8.6	9.
South Korea average				11,174	3.7	3.6	0.3	0.3	9.5	9.2	7.4	7.
Indonesia	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			,								
Bank Central Asia	9,675	n/a	n/a	76,351.5	24.4	22.4	4.9	4.4	21.0	20.7	2.3	2.
Bank Rakyat Indonesia Persero	5,750	n/a	n/a	56,030.6	14.8	13.0	2.7	2.5	18.9	20.1	5.0	5.
Bank Mandiri Persero	6,525	n/a	n/a	38,687.2	11.7	10.7	2.3	2.1	21.2	21.0	4.1	5.
Bank Negara Indonesia Persero	5,550	n/a	n/a	13,132.0	9.6	8.5	1.4	1.3	15.0	15.5	4.3	4.
Bank Syariah Indonesia	2,010	n/a	n/a	5,935.6	17.1	14.4	2.4	2.1	15.3	16.0	0.8	1.
Indonesia average	2,010	11/4	11/4	38,027	15.5	13.8	2.7	2.5	18.3	18.7	3.3	3.
Malaysia	<u>.</u>	<u> </u>		30,021	10.0	10.0	2.1	2.0	10.5	10.7	0.0	0.
•	9.02	n/a	n/a	23,068.0	11.6	11.2	1 2	1.2	10.5	10.6	6.6	6.
Malayan Banking Public Bank	9.02 4.31	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	23,066.0 17,885.3	12.4	11.2	1.2 1.6	1.5	13.0	12.8	6.6 4.3	4.
CIMB Group Holdings	5.94			13,554.5	9.3	8.7	0.9	0.9	10.4	10.4	4.3 5.9	4. 6.
, ,	18.84	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	8,641.5	9.3	9.6	1.2	1.1	10.4	11.4	3.5	3.
Hong Leong Bank RHB Bank	5.54			5,020.9	8.2	9.6 8.0	0.8	0.7	9.6	9.3	3.5 7.0	3. 7.
	0.04	n/a	n/a	· ·								
Malaysia average				13,634	10.3	9.9	1.1	1.1	11.1	10.9	5.4	5.
Singapore DDS Crown Heldings	24.04	/-	/	64 444 0	0.4	0.0	4.4	4.0	17.5	16.0	6.4	-
DBS Group Holdings	31.91	n/a	n/a	61,144.2	8.1	8.3	1.4	1.3	17.5	16.2	6.4	7.
Oversea-Chinese Banking	12.80	n/a	n/a	43,067.0	8.2	8.1	1.0	1.0	13.2	12.6	6.4	6.
United Overseas Bank	27.88	n/a	n/a	34,649.8	8.2	8.0	1.0	1.0	13.3	12.9	6.1	6.
Singapore average				46,287	8.2	8.1	1.1	1.1	14.6	13.9	6.3	6.
Regional average (excl. Thailand)				71,277	8.2	7.7	1.1	1.0	12.8	12.6	6.1	6.
Total average (incl. Thailand)				51,547	8.2	7.7	1.1	1.0	12.3	12.1	6.1	6.

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

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Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
nterest Income	139,088	194,365	202,719	210,424	218,320
Interest expense	(36,865)	(63,505)	(68,125)	(71,981)	(74,559)
Net interest income	102,223	130,860	134,594	138,443	143,761
Net fees & commission	27,508	27,234	27,513	27,789	28,066
Foreign exchange trading income	5,155	5,544	5,544	5,544	5,544
Securities trading income	(1,454)	(482)	0	0	(
Dividend income	2,306	2,330	2,447	2,569	2,698
Other income	3,156	2,001	2,139	2,287	2,446
Non interest income	36,672	36,627	37,643	38,189	38,754
Total income	138,895	167,487	172,237	176,632	182,514
Staff costs	(34,794)	(35,921)	(38,436)	(39,973)	(41,572
Other operating costs	(34,225)	(45,854)	(45,707)	(47,360)	(49,334
Operating costs	(69,019)	(81,775)	(84,143)	(87,333)	(90,905
Pre provision operating profit	69,876	85,712	88,094	89,298	91,609
Expected credit loss	(32,647)	(33,667)	(35,000)	(34,000)	(33,000
Other provisions	-	-	-	-	(,
Operating profit	37,229	52,046	53,094	55,298	58,609
Recurring non operating income	0	0	0	0	(
Associates	-	-	-	-	
Goodwill amortization	- -	-	-	- -	
Non recurring items	0	0	0	0	(
Profit before tax	37,229	52,046	53,094	55,298	58,609
Tax	(7,484)	(9,993)	(10,619)	(11,060)	(11,722
Profit after tax	· · ·				
	29,746	42,052	42,475	44,239	46,887
Non-controlling interest	(440)	(417)	(438)	(460)	(483
Preferred dividends	-	-	-	-	
Other items	-	-	-	-	10.10
Reported net profit	29,306	41,635	42,037	43,779	46,404
Non recurring items & goodwill (net)	-	-	0	0	(
Recurring net profit	29,306	41,635	42,037	43,779	46,404
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	15.35	21.81	22.02	22.93	24.31
Reported EPS	15.35	21.81	22.02	22.93	24.31
OPS .	4.50	6.40	6.50	6.70	7.10
Growth					
Net interest income (%)	24.4	28.0	2.9	2.9	3.8
Non interest income (%)	(30.0)	(0.1)	2.8	1.4	1.5
Pre provision operating profit (%)	3.9	22.7	2.8	1.4	2.6
Operating profit (%)	12.3	39.8	2.0	4.2	6.0
Reported net profit (%)	10.6	42.1	1.0	4.1	6.0
Recurring EPS (%)	10.6	42.1	1.0	4.1	6.0
Reported EPS (%)	10.6	42.1	1.0	4.1	6.0
ncome Breakdown					
Net interest income (%)	73.6	78.1	78.1	78.4	78.8
Net fees & commission (%)	19.8	16.3	16.0	15.7	15.4
Foreign exchange trading income (%)	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0
Securities trading income (%)	(1.0)	(0.3)	-	-	5.0
Dividend income (%)	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5
Other income (%)	2.3	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3
Operating performance	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.0	1.0
	2.00	1 20	1 12	4.40	4 40
Gross interest yield (%)	3.22	4.38	4.43	4.42	4.42
Cost of funds (%)	1.01	1.71	1.80	1.84	1.85
Net interest spread (%)	2.21	2.67	2.63	2.58	2.57
Net interest margin (%)	2.4	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.9
Cost/income(%)	49.7	48.8	48.9	49.4	49.8
Cost/assets(%)	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
Effective tax rate (%)	20.1	19.2	20.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	29.3	29.3	29.5	29.2	29.2
ROE (%)	5.9	8.1	7.7	7.6	7.6
ROE - COE (%)	(4.3)	(2.1)	(2.5)	(2.6)	(2.6
ROA (%)	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0
RORWA (%)	1.0	1.4	1.4	1.4	2.9

Sources: Bangkok Bank; FSSIA estimates

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Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Gross customer loans	2,682,691	2,671,964	2,752,123	2,834,687	2,919,727
Allowance for expected credit loss	(243,474)	(270,539)	(282,789)	(294,689)	(306,239)
nterest in suspense	10,138	24,236	12,935	13,323	13,723
Net customer loans	2,449,355	2,425,661	2,482,269	2,553,321	2,627,211
Bank loans	766,074	757,120	779,833	803,228	827,325
Government securities	-	-	-	-	-
Trading securities	-	-	-	-	-
nvestment securities	926,608	1,062,668	1,137,055	1,205,278	1,277,595
Cash & equivalents	52,433	45,518	53,600	49,481	44,748
Other interesting assets	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible fixed assets	73,909	72,855	76,948	81,150	85,472
Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Goodwill	-	-	-	-	-
Other intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other assets	153,373	150,663	153,005	155,464	158,046
Total assets	4,421,752	4,514,484	4,682,710	4,847,922	5,020,398
Customer deposits	3,210,896	3,184,283	3,279,812	3,378,206	3,479,552
Bank deposits	262,522	334,219	367,641	393,376	420,912
Other interest bearing liabilities	188,302	212,505	218,880	225,446	232,210
Non interest bearing liabilities	252,891	252,647	255,541	258,482	261,472
Hybrid Capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total liabilities	3,914,610	3,983,654	4,121,874	4,255,511	4,394,146
Share capital	19,088	19,088	19,088	19,088	19,088
Reserves	486,258	509,886	539,707	571,078	604,694
Total equity	505,346	528,975	558,796	590,167	623,782
Non-controlling interest	1,796	1,855	2,041	2,245	2,469
Total liabilities & equity	4,421,752	4,514,484	4,682,710	4,847,922	5,020,398
Supplementary items					
Risk weighted assets (RWA)	3,008,228	3,002,132	3,114,002	3,223,868	0
Average interest earning assets	4,325,741	4,432,852	4,580,381	4,756,102	4,933,920
Average interest bearing liabilities	3,658,397	3,709,456	3,781,959	3,902,102	4,038,216
CET 1 capital	447,590	477,618	507,248	538,238	0
Fotal capital	551,698	581,726	611,356	642,346	0
Gross non performing loans (NPL)	97,188	85,955	87,963	90,302	92,981
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	264.74	277.12	292.74	309.18	326.79
Tangible book value per share	264.74	277.12	292.74	309.18	326.79
Growth					
Gross customer loans	3.6	(0.4)	3.0	3.0	3.0
Average interest earning assets	8.4	2.5	3.3	3.8	3.7
Fotal asset (%)	2.0	2.1	3.7	3.5	3.6
Risk weighted assets (%)	5.0	(0.2)	3.7	3.5	nm
Customer deposits (%)	1.7	(0.8)	3.0	3.0	3.0
Leverage & capital measures		. ,			
Customer loan/deposits (%)	76.3	76.2	75.7	75.6	75.5
Equity/assets (%)	11.4	11.7	11.9	12.2	12.4
Fangible equity/assets (%)	11.4	11.7	11.9	12.2	12.4
RWA/assets (%)	68.0	66.5	66.5	66.5	-
CET 1 CAR (%)	14.9	15.9	16.3	16.7	_
Fotal CAR (%)	18.3	19.4	19.6	19.9	_
Asset Quality (FSSIA's calculation)					
Change in NPL (%)	(3.9)	(11.6)	2.3	2.7	3.0
NPL/gross loans (%)	3.6	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
Allowance for ECL/gross loans (%)	9.1	10.1	10.3	10.4	10.5
Allowance for ECL/NPL (%)	250.5	314.7	321.5	326.3	329.4
	200.0	314.7	UZ 1.U	J2U.J	323.4
/aluation	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Recurring P/E (x) *	9.4	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.0
Recurring P/E (x) Recurring P/E (a) target price (x) *	12.4	8.8	8.7	8.3	7.9
recomming it /i.e. (by target price (x)		8.8 6.6		8.3 6.3	6.0
	0.4		6.6	0.3	0.0
Reported P/E (x)	9.4		4.5	4.0	4 ^
Reported P/E (x) Dividend yield (%)	3.1	4.4	4.5	4.6	
Reported P/E (x) Dividend yield (%) Price/book (x)	3.1 0.5	4.4 0.5	0.5	0.5	4.9 0.4
Reported P/E (x) Dividend yield (%)	3.1	4.4			

Sources: Bangkok Bank; FSSIA estimates

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Exhibit 9: FSSIA ESG score implication

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Rating	Score	Implication
****	>79-100	Leading its industry peers in managing the most significant ESG risks which not only better cost efficiency but also lead to higher profitability.
****	>59-79	A mixed track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to industry peers.
***	>39-59	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been constructively addressed, well-managed and incorporated into day-to-day operations, in which targets and achievements are evaluated annually.
**	>19-39	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been identified with key management in charge for progress to be followed up on and to provide intensive disclosure. Most targets are conventional and achievable.
*	1-19	The company has adopted the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs), established sustainability management guidelines and fully complies with regulations or ESG suggested guidance from related organizations such as the SET and SEC.

Sources: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 10: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA			Domes	stic ratings	;		Global ratings						Bloomberg	
	ESG score	DJSI	SET THSI	THSI	CG score	AGM level	Thai CAC	Morningstar ESG risk	ESG Book	MSCI	Moody's	Refinitiv	S&P Global	ESG score	Disclosure score
SET100	69.20	5.34	4.40	4.40	4.76	4.65	3.84	Medium	51.76	BBB	20.87	58.72	63.91	3.72	28.17
Coverage	67.12	5.11	4.15	4.17	4.83	4.71	3.53	Medium	52.04	BB	16.97	56.85	62.09	3.40	31.94
BBL	62.08		Υ	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	54.70		29.00	58.68	67.00	2.19	60.06
KBANK	84.17	Y	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	62.19	AA	46.00	73.83	83.00	4.05	59.77
KTB	63.10		Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	53.59	BBB	34.00	64.64	64.00	2.12	59.11
SCB	62.57	Υ	Υ	Υ	5.00	4.00		High		Α			86.00	3.43	
KKP	62.96		Υ	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	52.81	BBB		77.56	26.00	2.18	45.90
TISCO	61.17		Y	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	61.41			66.13	29.00	3.57	44.21
TTB	63.69		Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	53.98		36.00	56.17	71.00	3.20	52.96

 $Sources: \underline{\textbf{SETTRADE}.com}; \ \textbf{FSSIA's} \ compilation$

Exhibit 11: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	1.69	1.69	1.92	2.36	2.60	2.83	2.36	2.19
BESG environmental pillar score	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.89	0.88	0.08
BESG social pillar score	2.05	2.03	2.39	3.54	3.58	3.58	2.32	2.81
BESG governance pillar score	3.44	3.49	3.84	3.71	4.05	3.97	4.33	4.07
ESG disclosure score	43.14	43.98	49.13	55.53	55.31	57.88	60.92	60.06
Environmental disclosure score	16.79	16.79	31.23	39.72	38.87	44.22	44.55	44.55
Social disclosure score	36.31	36.31	37.33	45.68	48.25	48.25	48.25	45.68
Governance disclosure score	76.22	78.72	78.72	81.10	78.72	81.10	89.86	89.86
Environmental								
Emissions reduction initiatives	Yes							
Climate change policy	Yes							
Climate change opportunities discussed	No							
Risks of climate change discussed	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
GHG scope 1	_	_	4	12	12	14	12	22
GHG scope 2 location-based	_	_	20	68	67	61	58	61
GHG Scope 3	_	_	1	1	2	2	1	2
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Energy efficiency policy	Yes							
Total energy consumption	_	_	45	156	156	167	151	164
Renewable energy use	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Electricity used	_	_	_	117	116	122	115	121
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 12: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	_	_	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total waste	_	_	1	2	5	6	4	4
Waste recycled	_	_	_	_	_	1	1	0
Waste sent to landfills	_	_	0	0	3	4	2	3
Environmental supply chain management	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water consumption	_	_	_	124	128	116	92	100
Social								
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Policy against child labor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Consumer data protection policy	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gender pay gap breakout	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pct women in workforce	34	65	67	67	67	67	67	66
Pct disabled in workforce	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Business ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Health and safety policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lost time incident rate - employees	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total recordable incident rate - employees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fair remuneration policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Number of employees – CSR	25,806	25,512	23,802	23,054	22,797	22,048	20,514	19,091
Employee turnover pct	10	10	10	10	10	8	11	13
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	3,134,200	765,360	638,014	702,052	1,267,540	883,463	1,313,310	710,376
Social supply chain management	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Governance	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Board size	17	17	18	17	17	19	19	18
No. of independent directors (ID)	6	6	6	7	7	9	8	6
No. of women on board	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
No. of non-executive directors on board	11	12	13	9	8	10	9	7
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No. of board meetings for the year	12	12	12	12	13	13	12	12
Board meeting attendance pct		_	_	96	_	95	98	98
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Director share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Age of the youngest director	48	49	50	51	52	53	52	53
	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92
Age of the oldest director								
No. of executives / company managers	60	64	64	67	66	70 24	66	60
No. of female executives	22	21	22	20 N-	22	24 N-	21 N-	24
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Size of audit committee	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3
No. of ID on audit committee	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3
Audit committee meetings	16	18	18	17	17	18	16	17
Audit meeting attendance %	_	89	82	88	90	89	98	94
Size of compensation committee	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3
No. of ID on compensation committee	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	2
No. of compensation committee meetings	10	7	10	11	10	11	9	12
Compensation meeting attendance %	97	86	90	97	83	97	100	100
Size of nomination committee	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	3
No. of nomination committee meetings	10	7	10	11	10	11	9	12
Nomination meeting attendance %	97	86	90	97	83	97	100	100
Sustainability governance								
Verification type	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes

 $Sources: Bloomberg; \ FSSIA's \ compilation$

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ESG score	Methodolog	ly			Rating						
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (<u>DJSI</u>) By S&P Global	process bas from the ann	ed on the com rual S&P Glob	transparent, rules-based npanies' Total Sustainabil al Corporate Sustainabili anies within each industr	ity Scores resulting ty Assessment (CSA).	Be a member and invited to the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) for DJSI. Companies with an S&P Global ESG Score of less than 45% of the S&P Global ESG Score of the highest scoring company are disqualified. The constituents of the DJSI indices an selected from the Eligible Universe.						
Sustainability Investment List (THSI) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	managing be Candidates 1) no irregul float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing	usiness with tr must pass the ar trading of th shareholders come key disque ependent direct related to CG	ility in Environmental and cansparency in Governance preemptive criteria, with ne board members and es, and combined holding no ualifying criteria include: 1 ctors and free float violatic, social & environmental in earnings in red for > 3 year	ce, updated annually. two crucial conditions: kecutives; and 2) free nust be >15% of paid- 1) CG score of below on; 3) executives' mpacts; 4) equity in	To be eligible for THSI inclusion, verified data must be scored at a minimum of 50% for each indicator, unless the company is a part of DJS during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality. SETTHSI Index is extended from the THSI companies whose 1) market capitalization > THB5b (-USD150b); 2) free float >20%; and 3) liquidity >0.5% of paid-up capital for at least 9 out of 12 months. The SETTHSI Index is a market capitalisation-weighted index, cap 5% quarterly weight maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.						
CG Score by Thai nstitute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	annually by Thailand (SI	the Thai IOD,	th in sustainable developn with support from the Sto ts are from the perspectiv s.	ck Exchange of	Good (80-89), and not rated f equitable treat	3 for Good (70 or scores belo ment of sharel 25%); 4) disclo	ories: 5 for Excel 0-79), 2 for Fair (0 w 50. Weightings nolders (weight 2 osure & transpare	60-69), 1 for F s include: 1) th 5% combined	Pass (60-69), ne rights; 2) an); 3) the role o		
AGM level By Thai Investors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	treatment ar transparent out of five th criteria cove date (45%), circulation of s exercised. The and verifiabilit	e incorporated and sufficiently e CG compon r AGM proced and after the r sufficient informa e second assess y; and 3) openne	which shareholders' rights d into business operations y disclosed. All form imponents to be evaluated annures before the meeting (10%). (The first aution for voting; and 2) facilitation for voting; and 2) facilitating sess for Q&A. The third involve less, resolutions and voting res	s and information is ortant elements of two ually. The assessment (45%), at the meeting ssesses 1) advance ing how voting rights can be eetings; 2) transparency s the meeting minutes that	be						
Fhai CAC By Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption CAC)	establishme policies. The (Companies of Declaration of Certification, in managers and	nt of key contre e Certification in eciding to becon Intent to kick off including risk ass	Checklist include corruptions, and the monitoring a is good for three years. The a CAC certified member store at 18-month deadline to subsessment, in place of policy are tablishment of whistleblowing all stakeholders.)	nd developing of art by submitting a mit the CAC Checklist for ad control, training of	The document will be reviewed by a committee of nine professionals. A passed Checklist will move for granting certification by the CAC Council approvals whose members are twelve highly respected individuals in professionalism and ethical achievements.						
Morningstar Sustainalytics	based on an risk is unma	assessment on aged. Sources	isk rating provides an ove of how much of a compar s to be reviewed include corp her media, NGO reports/webs	ny's exposure to ESG orate publications and	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.						
		ompany feedbac uality & peer rev	k, ESG controversies, issuer i riews.	feedback on draft ESG	NEGL 0-10	Low 10-20	Medium 20-30	High 30-40	Severe 40+		
ESG Book	positioned to the principle helps explai over-weighti	o outperform o of financial m n future risk-a	sustainable companies the over the long term. The meateriality including informed justed performance. Mat the higher materiality and early basis.	ethodology considers ation that significantly teriality is applied by	The total ESG score is calculated as a weighted sum of the features scores using materiality-based weights. The score is scaled between 0 and 100 with higher scores indicating better performance.						
<u>MSCI</u>			measure a company's mand laggards according to						nethodology to		
	AAA	8.571-10.00	0 Leader:	leading its industry in m	anaging the most s	ignificant ESG ri	eke and opportunitie	26			
	AA	7.143-8.570	0	.occg no maddily iii iii		.g	a.i.a opportuillit				
	Α	5.714-7.142		a mixed or unexception	al track record of m	anaging the mos	st significant ESC ric	sks and opportu	nities relative to		
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Bangkok Bank	BBL TB	THB 145.00	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) an impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
Kasikornbank	KBANK TB	THB 129.00	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
Kiatnakin Bank	KKP TB	THB 48.50	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based target price include weakening asset quality and lower fee income and upside risks include better capital market conditions, higher used car price, and strengthening asset quality.
Krung Thai Bank	КТВ ТВ	THB 17.80	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
SCB X	SCB TB	THB 102.50	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
Tisco Financial	TISCO TB	THB 97.75	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) aggressive loan growth; and 2) well-controlled asset quality.
TMBThanachart Bank	ТТВ ТВ	THB 1.60	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) a faster-than-expected economic recovery; and 2) improved asset quality leading to lower credit costs.

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Stock ratings

Stock ratings are based on absolute upside or downside, which we define as (target price* - current price) / current price.

BUY (B). The upside is 10% or more.

HOLD (H). The upside or downside is less than 10%.

REDUCE (R). The downside is 10% or more.

Unless otherwise specified, these recommendations are set with a 12-month horizon. Thus, it is possible that future price volatility may cause a temporary mismatch between upside/downside for a stock based on market price and the formal recommendation.

* In most cases, the target price will equal the analyst's assessment of the current fair value of the stock. However, if the analyst doesn't think the market will reassess the stock over the specified time horizon due to a lack of events or catalysts, then the target price may differ from fair value. In most cases, therefore, our recommendation is an assessment of the mismatch between current market price and our assessment of current fair value.

Industry Recommendations

Overweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be positive over the next 12 months.

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