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Indices	Index as of 8-Sep-23	Change -1D (%)	Change YTD (%)	Net Foreign YTD (USD m)
Thailand SET	1,547	(0.2)	(7.3)	(4,102)
China SHCOMP	3,117	(0.2)	0.9	
Hong Kong HSI	Closed	(1.3)	(8.0)	
India SENSEX	66,599	0.5	9.5	16,374
Indonesia JCI	6,925	(0.4)	1.1	(119)
Korea KOSPI	2,548	(0.0)	13.9	8,137
MY FBMKLCI	1,455	(0.4)	(2.7)	
PH PCOMP	6,223	0.6	(5.2)	(428)
SG FSSTI	3,208	(0.6)	(1.3)	
Taiwan TWSE	16,576	(0.3)	17.2	2,120
VN VNINDEX	1,241	(0.1)	23.3	(155)
MSCI Emerging	974	0.0	1.8	
Nikkei 225	32,607	(1.2)	25.0	
FTSE 100	7,478	0.5	0.4	
CAC 40	7,241	0.6	11.8	
DAX	15,740	0.1	13.0	
Dow Jones	34,577	0.2	4.3	
Nasdaq	13,762	0.1	31.5	
S&P 500	4,457	0.1	16.1	
Brent	90.65	0.8	5.5	
Dubai	91.60	(0.2)	16.5	
WTI	87.51	0.7	9.0	
GOLD	1,919.08	(0.0)	5.2	
Trade data (THB m)	Buy (THB m)	Sell (THB m)	Net (THB m)	Share (%) (THB m)
Foreign	15,451	17,634	(2,183)	48
Retail	13,463	12,045	1,418	37
Prop Trade	3,403	2,464	939	8
Local Institution	2,397	2,572	(175)	7
Total Trade	34,714	34,714	0	100
Rates	Last close 8/9/2023	1M ago 8/8/2023	End last yr 30/12/2022	1yr ago 8/9/2022
THB/USD	35.52	34.95	34.61	36.42
Inflation *	0.88	0.38	5.89	7.86
MLR **	6.87	6.87	5.83	5.31
1Y Fixed *	1.41	1.41	0.99	0.43
Govt bond 10Y	2.87	2.60	2.64	2.59
Commodity (USD/bbl)	Last close 8/9/2023	1M ago 8/8/2023	End last yr 30/12/2022	1yr ago 8/9/2022
Brent	90.65	86.17	85.91	89.15
Dubai	91.60	86.26	78.66	86.84
WTI	87.51	82.92	80.26	83.54
Gold	1,919	1,925	1,824	1,708
Baltic Dry	1,186	1,129	1,515	1,213
(USD/ton)	08-Sep-23	01-Sep-23	25-Dec-20	09-Sep-22
Coal	0.00	159.37	84.45	457.12
% change	(100.0)	(100.0)	(100.0)	(100.0)

* chg y-y% last at end of most recent month end; ** Avg of 4 major banks;

Sources: Bloomberg, except coal from BANPU

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Thailand Banks - Strong 3Q23E results could be a short-term catalyst

Solid y-y profit growth in 3Q23E from rising rates, loan growth, and higher NIM

We expect the seven banks under our coverage to post solid aggregate net profit growth of THB52.7b in 3Q23, up 18% y-y and slightly increasing by 1% q-q. Our estimates suggest that 1) the best performers q-q should be KKP, KTB, SCB, and TTB; and 2) the best y-y should be BBL, TTB, KTB and SCB. The y-y earnings increase should come from higher net interest income (NII) outweighing higher operating expenses and expected credit losses (ECL). We expect NII to increase by 4.4% q-q, supported by rising interest rates, loans, and NIM expansion.

9M23E net profit to increase 17% y-y and account for 81% of our 2023E

Regarding 3Q23E pre-provision profit (PPOP), the y-y increase should be mainly due to the expected higher NII, with q-q being flat from lower non-NII. The 3Q23E cost-to-income ratio is trending higher than in 2Q23 due to accelerating operating expenses, which are higher than the operating income growth. Overall, we estimate an aggregate 9M23 net profit of THB155b, an increase of 17% y-y, accounting for 81% of our full-year estimate.

Asset quality remains a concern; 4Q23E profit to nose-dive q-q but rise 10% y-y

We are still concerned about asset quality in 3Q23, with new non-performing loan (NPL) formation expected to climb from 2Q23. Providing that there are proactive management efforts, i.e. debt restructuring, sales, and writing off bad debts, we anticipate the 3Q23 NPL ratio to remain stable q-q with 2Q23's at c3.61% (KBANK and KKP are the banks we are concerned about the most). We expect the aggregate 3Q23 credit cost to remain high at 151bp compared to 128bp in 3Q22 due to the poorer asset quality, but softer than in 2Q23 due to the lower credit cost of SCB (one-time event in 2Q23). As for the 4Q23 outlook, we expect an aggregate net profit of cTHB36.3b, down 31% q-q but jumping by 10% y-y. The significant q-q decrease projected is mainly from higher operating expenses (seasonal effect) and the up-front setting of ECL.

Reiterate our NEUTRAL weight Thai banking sector call

The continued recovery of Thailand's economy that we expect in 2023 following the formation of the new government and its forthcoming economic policies should bode well for the Thai banking sector's outlook in 2H23-2024. Our top Buys are BBL, for its well-diversified domestic and overseas banking, and KTB for its greater focus on the high-yield, low-risk segment – private corporate loans.

Exhibit 1: Summary of 3Q23/9M23 earnings preview of Thai banks under coverage

	3Q23E			9M23E			2023E	
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(y-y%)	%23E	(THB m)	(y-y%)
BBL	10,830	(4)	41	32,253	48	85	37,924	29
KBANK	11,092	1	5	32,827	1	81	40,768	14
KTB	10,502	3	24	30,725	20	81	37,796	12
SCB	12,254	3	19	35,117	16	79	44,242	18
TTB	4,687	3	26	13,548	31	82	16,446	16
KKP	1,508	7	(28)	5,002	(19)	76	6,600	(13)
TISCO	1,862	0	5	5,508	2	74	7,462	3
Coverage	52,735	1	18	154,981	17	81	191,238	16

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 2: NPL ratio, 1Q22-2023E

	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	2022	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23E	9M23E	2023E	Banks' targets
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	2023E
BBL	3.96	3.96	3.83	3.62	3.62	3.73	3.46	3.39	3.39	3.62	~3.50%
KBANK	4.33	4.42	3.56	3.71	3.71	3.56	3.83	3.88	3.88	3.72	<3.25%
KTB	4.01	3.96	4.01	3.90	3.90	3.97	3.83	3.84	3.84	3.85	< 3.5
SCB	4.57	4.34	3.92	4.01	4.01	3.97	3.84	3.79	3.79	3.98	N/A
TTB	3.09	2.97	3.01	3.03	3.03	3.09	2.99	2.93	2.93	3.01	≤2.90
KKP	3.11	3.26	3.29	3.49	3.49	3.56	3.74	3.82	3.82	3.51	~3.50
TISCO	2.15	2.20	2.08	2.09	2.09	2.13	2.20	2.28	2.28	2.13	< 2.5
Coverage	4.01	3.97	3.69	3.68	3.68	3.69	3.62	3.61	3.61	3.66	

Sources: Company data; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 3: Credit cost, 1Q22-2023E

	1Q22 (bp)	2Q22 (bp)	3Q22 (bp)	4Q22 (bp)	2022 (bp)	1Q23 (bp)	2Q23 (bp)	3Q23E (bp)	9M23E (bp)	2023E (bp)	Banks' targets 2023E
BBL	100	128	145	116	124	127	133	133	127	127	~ 100bp
KBANK	153	159	161	368	211	205	208	211	208	210	175-200bp
KTB	83	86	86	116	93	125	120	122	122	125	~ 120bp
SCB	151	175	132	120	145	166	201	156	175	150	120-140bp
TTB	141	127	125	139	134	125	125	125	123	135	125- 135bp
KKP	169	138	182	307	202	234	292	295	176	280	~260-280bp
TISCO	17	28	23	70	34	28	11	36	25	30	34bp
Coverage	121	132	128	173	139	148	158	151	151	149	

Sources: Company data; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 4: 3Q23 earnings preview of Thai banks under coverage

Year-end Dec 31	BBL (THB m)	KBANK (THB m)	KTB (THB m)	SCB (THB m)	TTB (THB m)	KKP (THB m)	TISCO (THB m)	Coverage (THB m)
Net interest income	32,300	38,608	29,348	32,671	14,173	5,760	3,487	156,347
Non-interest income	10,305	10,858	8,012	11,041	3,907	2,066	1,474	47,663
<i>Fee income - net</i>	<i>6,650</i>	<i>7,788</i>	<i>4,862</i>	<i>8,299</i>	<i>2,700</i>	<i>1,516</i>	<i>1,243</i>	<i>33,058</i>
Total operating income	42,605	49,466	37,360	43,712	18,080	7,826	4,961	204,010
Total operating expenses	19,926	21,879	15,135	18,425	8,019	3,858	2,438	89,680
PPOP before tax	22,679	27,587	22,225	25,287	10,061	3,968	2,523	114,330
Expected credit loss	9,000	12,950	7,850	9,500	4,260	2,090	210	45,860
Income tax	2,736	2,796	2,961	3,473	1,114	366	451	13,897
Non-controlling interest	112	750	912	60	0	3	0	1,838
Net profit	10,830	11,092	10,502	12,254	4,687	1,508	1,862	52,735
EPS (THB)	5.674	4.681	0.751	3.639	0.048	1.781	2.326	11.08
Key ratios	3Q23E	3Q23E	3Q23E	3Q23E	3Q23E	3Q23E	3Q23E	3Q23E
Asset quality ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Gross NPLs (THB m)	92,285	95,500	99,310	93,028	40,219	15,628	5,365	441,335
<i>Change (from prior period)</i>	<i>(1.1)</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>(1.2)</i>	<i>4.7</i>	<i>5.9</i>	<i>0.4</i>
NPL ratio	3.39	3.88	3.84	3.79	2.93	3.82	2.28	3.61
Coverage ratio	298	139	171	165	144	134	206	186
Credit cost (bp)	133	211	122	156	125	295	36	151
Profitability ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Cost to income ratio	46.8	44.2	40.5	42.2	44.4	49.3	49.1	44.0
Average yield	4.45	4.72	4.49	4.94	4.48	6.39	6.66	4.70
Cost of funds	1.82	1.26	1.30	1.28	1.50	2.01	2.07	1.47
NIM	2.94	3.79	3.37	3.89	3.19	4.64	5.02	3.50
Non-interest income/total income	24.2	22.0	21.4	25.3	21.6	26.4	29.7	23.4
Liquidity ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Loan to deposit	85.4	89.9	100.0	100.4	99.3	120.0	117.1	95.0
Loan to deposit & borrowing (LDBR)	80.6	80.4	94.2	96.1	89.7	99.3	109.9	88.1
Loan growth	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
q-q	0.8	(0.1)	0.2	1.3	0.6	2.5	2.0	0.8
y-y	(2.8)	(1.3)	(1.1)	4.6	(1.6)	13.7	10.3	0.4
Year-to-date	1.4	0.5	(0.4)	3.2	(0.3)	9.5	7.4	1.0

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: 9M23 earnings preview of Thai banks under coverage

Year-end Dec 31	BBL	KBANK	KTB	SCB	TTB	KKP	TISCO	Coverage
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)
Net interest income	93,865	110,184	82,739	92,405	41,767	16,504	10,194	447,658
Change y-y%	30.8	13.8	25.7	17.7	10.5	21.8	8.6	19.8
9M23E % of 23E	73.7	76.1	77.9	75.5	73.7	77.7	75.8	75.6
Non-interest income	31,476	33,926	25,609	36,523	10,942	5,685	4,181	148,344
Change y-y%	4.1	25.6	2.7	(3.0)	7.1	(2.6)	2.7	6.0
9M23E % of 23E	94.0	81.2	70.2	76.3	75.0	70.4	74.1	78.9
Fee income - net	20,343	23,616	14,797	25,717	7,918	4,322	3,661	100,376
Change y-y%	48.4	0.8	20.1	15.5	30.9	(19.0)	1.7	17.2
9M23E % of 23E	85.0	80.5	81.3	79.4	82.4	75.8	73.8	81.0
Total operating income	125,341	144,110	108,347	128,928	52,710	22,190	14,375	596,002
Change y-y%	22.9	16.4	19.4	11.0	9.8	14.4	6.8	16.0
9M23E % of 23E	77.9	77.2	75.9	75.7	74.0	75.7	75.3	76.4
Total operating expenses	58,887	62,519	42,814	52,198	23,185	10,888	7,097	257,588
PPOP before tax	66,454	81,591	65,534	76,730	29,524	11,302	7,278	338,414
Change y-y%	27.6	16.3	26.8	14.3	12.2	5.9	2.7	18.7
9M23E % of 23E	80.1	76.6	77.9	82.1	75.6	74.7	72.7	78.5
Expected credit loss	26,354	38,426	23,708	31,525	12,780	5,065	428	138,286
Change y-y%	6.6	31.9	41.1	17.9	(5.7)	70.7	24.6	21.0
9M23E % of 23E	75.3	71.5	72.4	86.3	68.3	73.8	62.7	75.1
Income tax	7,510	8,118	8,356	9,909	3,197	1,226	1,340	39,657
Non-controlling interest	337	2,221	2,744	178	0	10	0	5,490
Net profit	32,253	32,827	30,725	35,117	13,548	5,002	5,508	154,981
Change y-y%	48.4	0.8	20.1	15.5	30.9	(19.0)	1.7	17.2
9M23E % of 23E	85.0	80.5	81.3	79.4	82.4	75.8	73.8	81.0
Key ratios	BBL	KBANK	KTB	SCB	TTB	KKP	TISCO	Coverage
Asset quality ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Gross NPLs (THB m)	92,285	95,500	99,310	93,028	40,219	15,628	5,365	441,335
Change y-y%	(13.8)	8.9	(5.2)	1.0	(4.0)	32.2	20.8	(1.9)
NPL ratio	3.39	3.88	3.84	3.79	2.93	3.82	2.28	3.61
Coverage ratio	298	139	171	165	144	134	206	186
Credit cost (bp)	127	208	122	175	123	176	25	151
Profitability ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Cost to income ratio	47.0	43.4	39.5	40.5	44.0	49.1	49.4	43.2
Average yield	4.30	4.50	4.19	4.72	4.35	6.14	6.53	4.49
Cost of funds	1.71	1.14	1.20	1.25	1.39	1.85	1.87	1.37
NIM	2.88	3.65	3.15	3.69	3.14	4.52	5.06	3.36
Non-interest income/total income	25.1	23.5	23.6	28.3	20.8	25.6	29.1	24.9
Liquidity ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Loan to deposit	85.4	89.9	100.0	100.4	99.3	120.0	117.1	95.0
Loan to deposit & borrowing (LDBR)	80.6	80.4	94.2	96.1	89.7	99.3	109.9	88.1
Loan growth	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
q-q	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
y-y	0.0	(1.3)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Year-to-date	1.4	0.0	(0.4)	3.2	(0.3)	9.5	7.4	1.0

Source: FSSIA estimates

STARFLEX (SFLEX TB) - Expect strong y-y, soft q-q in 3Q23; Maintain BUY TP THB5.50

Expect 3Q23 profit to jump y-y but soften q-q

We expect another strong quarter with a THB45m core profit in 3Q23, an 11-fold jump as compared to 3Q22 profit, which was hard hit by the surging raw material and freight costs. The q-q profit, however, should decline by 11% due to 1) its gross margin sliding from an exceptionally high level in the previous quarter; and 2) the likely delayed recognition of an estimated 25% share of profit from Star Print Vietnam JSC (SPV).

Acquisition of SPV likely to be delayed for 1-2 months

Despite the fact that shareholders had already approved the investment in SPV since June 2023, we think that the acquisition is more likely to be delayed to 4Q23 instead of 3Q23 because of additional procedures. Our earlier projection included SPV's performance for one month in 3Q23. We now shift the profit recognition into 4Q23, causing a q-q slip in 3Q23E profit.

Gross margin should be back to normal level in 3Q23

We anticipate the company's gross margin to decrease from the abnormal high of 24.9% in 2Q23 to 22.0% in 3Q23, back to the normal pre-pandemic level of 21-22%. This is another reason for the expected q-q profit drop in 3Q23. The rising crude oil prices during July-August should have a limited impact on the company's material costs, as it has gradually locked in major raw material costs.

Maintain BUY and TP of THB5.50

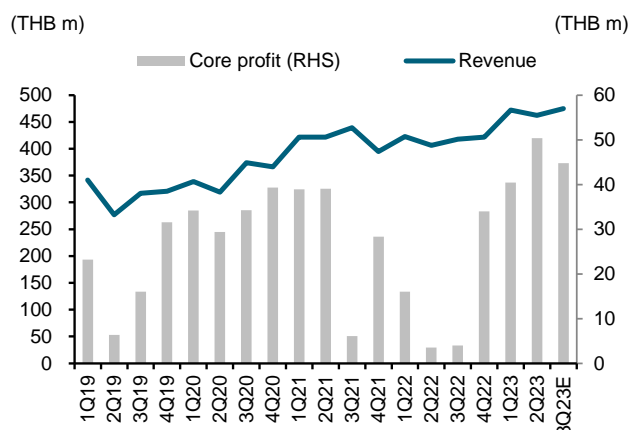
We maintain our net profit growth forecasts of 237%/24%/11%, or a CAGR of 17%, during 2023-25. We also maintain our BUY call with the same of TP of THB5.50, based on a 2023E P/E of 24x. SFLEX's share price is currently trading at 17x 2023E P/E, within -1.2SD of its four-year P/E average.

Exhibit 6: 3Q23 earnings preview

Year to Dec 31	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23E	-----Change-----		9M22	9M23E	Change
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y %)
Sales	418	422	472	462	475	2.7	13.6	1,247	1,409	13.0
Cost of sales	(372)	(357)	(375)	(347)	(370)	6.6	(0.6)	(1,101)	(1,093)	(0.7)
Gross profit	45	64	97	115	104	(9.2)	130.5	147	316	115.8
Other income	6	10	5	6	5	(15.0)	(15.3)	16	16	(1.2)
Operating costs	(45)	(34)	(51)	(57)	(52)	(7.5)	16.3	(136)	(160)	17.6
Operating profit	6	40	51	64	57	(11.2)	833.5	27	172	540.9
Operating EBITDA	23	54	66	78	71	(9.5)	201.0	73	214	194.9
Interest expense	(1)	1	(1)	(1)	(1)	(18.5)	(27.9)	(4)	(3)	(20.6)
Profit before tax	6	41	50	63	56	(11.2)	895.8	24	169	612.4
Tax	(1)	(8)	(10)	(13)	(11)	(10.9)	1,602.7	(2)	(34)	1,607.9
Reported net profit	5	33	41	50	45	(11.2)	802.1	22	136	522.8
Core profit	4	34	40	50	45	(11.1)	1,021.2	24	136	475.6
Reported EPS (THB)	0.006	0.041	0.050	0.064	0.055	(14.7)	809.5	0.026	0.169	522.8
Core EPS (THB)	0.005	0.041	0.049	0.061	0.055	(11.1)	1,021.2	0.029	0.165	475.6
Key Ratios (%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)
Gross margin	10.8	15.3	20.5	24.9	22.0	(2.9)	11.2	11.8	22.4	10.7
Operating margin	1.7	9.4	10.9	13.9	12.0	(1.9)	10.3	2.2	12.2	10.1
EBITDA margin	5.6	12.9	13.9	16.9	14.9	(2.0)	9.3	5.8	15.2	9.4
Recurring net margin	1.0	8.1	8.6	10.9	9.4	(1.5)	8.5	1.9	9.6	7.7
SG&A / Sales	10.8	8.1	10.8	12.3	11.1	(1.2)	0.3	10.9	11.4	0.4

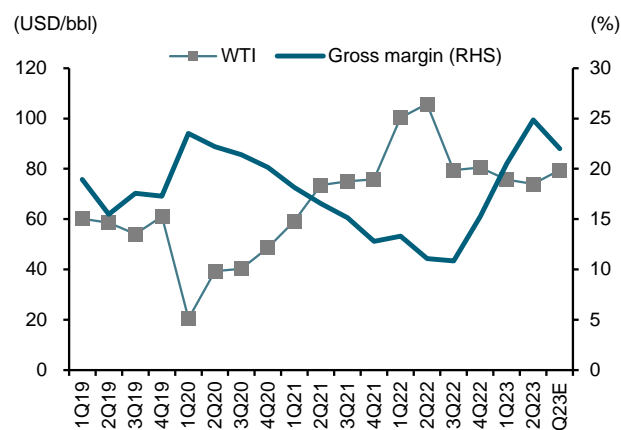
Sources: SFLEX, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 7: Revenue and core profit



Sources: SFLEX, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 8: Gross margin vs crude oil prices



Sources: SFLEX, FSSIA estimates

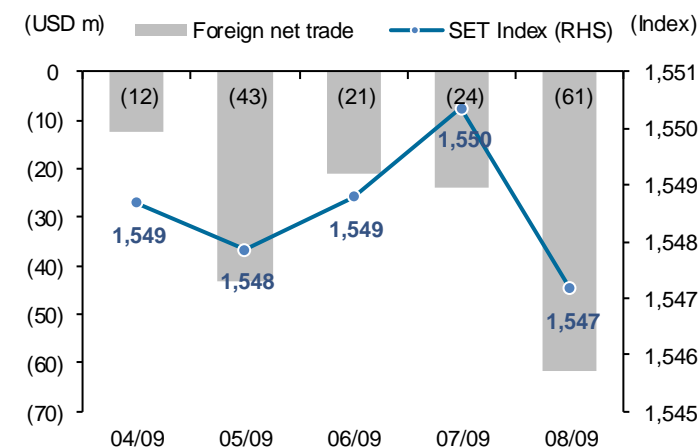
Economic news

- [All eyes on the new cabinet](#) BANGKOK POST: The new cabinet started work last week as Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin led the members to be sworn in at Government House. Many new ministers did not wait for the policy announcement, scheduled for today, checking in at their new offices right away.
- [Chinese visa plan to boost arrivals](#) BANGKOK POST: A visa exemption for Chinese travellers could provide a strong boost to the local tourism industry, though arrivals are likely to be significantly below the 2019 level this year given the mainland's economic constraints, says a Thai brokerage owned by the Chinese government.
- [Srettha targets 5% GDP growth](#) BANGKOK POST: The government is targeting annual GDP growth of at least 5% as it plans to roll out measures to ease people's plight, including a moratorium on farmers' debt and lower fuel and electricity prices, according to Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin.
- [Asian shares stall on risk aversion](#) BANGKOK POST: RECAP: Asian equities were mostly in the red while currencies logged some gains on Friday, as stock investors remained risk-averse following strong economic data from the United States and continued uncertainty in China.
- [Gas prices jump as Australian LNG workers strike](#) BANGKOK POST: Liquefied natural gas workers at key Chevron Corp sites in Australia began partial strikes on Friday after talks failed to reach an agreement in a dispute that has rattled global gas markets. Benchmark gas futures in Europe jumped as much as 13% on the news, which highlights the region's vulnerability after last year's energy crisis. Spot LNG in Asia also gained.
- [Economy may grow as forecast - deputy finance minister](#) BANGKOK POST: Thailand's economy may grow as forecast this year, helped by public consumption and investment after the formation of a new government, Deputy Minister of Finance Krisada Chinavicharana said on Friday. Private consumption and tourism recovery are also helping, Mr Krisada told a business event. The ministry has forecast economic growth of 3.5% this year.
- [Global leaders unveil major rail, ports deal](#) BANGKOK POST: NEW DELHI: Global leaders announced a multinational rail and ports deal linking the Middle East and South Asia on Saturday on the sidelines of the G20 summit in New Delhi. The pact comes at a critical time as US President Joe Biden seeks to counter China's Belt and Road push on global infrastructure by pitching Washington as an alternative partner and investor for developing countries at the G20 grouping.

Corporate news

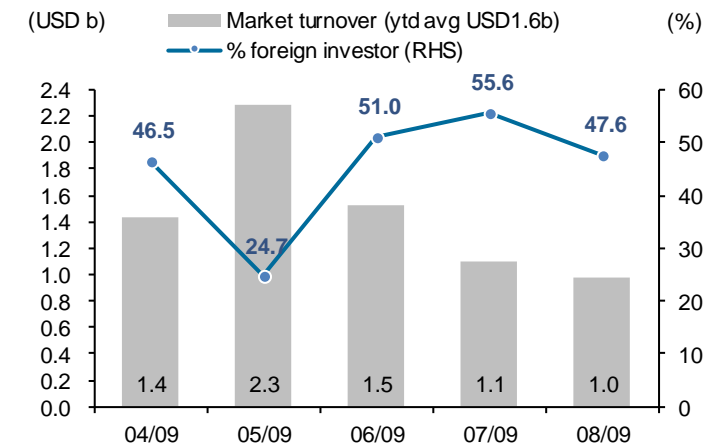
- [CPN keen on Phuket condos](#) BANGKOK POST: SET-listed Central Pattana (CPN) plans to launch two new phases of Phyll Phuket, a condo project near Central Phuket Floresta, with 700 units worth a combined 3 billion baht next year as condo demand in Phuket remains robust, driven by the tourism sector.
- [Thaicom mulls bid for unsold satellite licences](#) BANGKOK POST: SET-listed Thaicom is considering whether to join the planned allocation for the rights to use the remaining unsold orbital slots of 50.5° East and 142° East, assuming their licence requirements are changed from the auction conditions, says chief executive Patompob Suwansiri.
- [Chinese fintech giant Ant Group unveils own AI large language model, along with new Web3 brand, in push to expand presence in financial sector](#) BANGKOK POST: Ant Group has launched its own large language model (LLM) - the technology used to train chatbots like ChatGPT - and a new Web3 brand targeting Hong Kong and overseas markets, as the Chinese fintech giant boosts its capabilities in generative artificial intelligence (AI) for the financial services industry.
- [AoT set to launch new terminal](#) BANGKOK POST: The Airports of Thailand (AoT) is soft-launching the Satellite 1 (SAT-1) terminal at Suvarnabhumi International Airport on Sept 28 after a trial put the system to an early test. Suvarnabhumi director Kittipong Kittikachorn said the airport executed a full-scale trial with 180 mock passengers with their luggage to test operations at the SAT-1 satellite passenger terminal and the main terminal.
- [Bangkok Air keen on Phangnga airport](#) BANGKOK POST: Bangkok Airways is eager to invest in the new airport planned for Phangnga if the government switches its plan from a public project to a public-private partnership scheme, as the project has high potential to become a new tourism hub in Thailand.
- [Focus on stocks that benefit from political stability](#) BANGKOK POST: The SET index is poised for an upside, largely attributed to positive sentiment surrounding the newly formed government. The expected political stability is projected to not only boost investor confidence, but also to attract more foreign funds to Thai equities.
- [Digital handout not covered by loans](#) BANGKOK POST: The Finance Ministry will not issue an emergency loan decree to support the government's 10,000-baht digital currency handout, with funding likely to come from the state budget and borrowing from state-owned financial institutions, says Deputy Finance Minister Kritsada Chinavicharana.
- [EV producers upbeat on investment](#) BANGKOK POST: More electric vehicle (EV) manufacturers are expected to invest in Thailand, although the latest EV incentive package is believed to be less attractive than its predecessor, says the Electric Vehicle Association of Thailand (EVAT).

Exhibit 9: Foreign fund flow and SET Index



Source: Bloomberg

Exhibit 10: Foreign participation



Source: Bloomberg

Exhibit 11: Index performance

SET Index			Index performance (% change)								
	Index	(%chg)	Energy	Bank	Comu	Commerce	Food	Property	Construct	Transport	Petrochem
% of SET Index			20%	10%	8%	10%	5%	6%	3%	8%	2%
Current	1,547.17	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.0)	0.6	0.0	0.1	(0.7)	(0.0)	(0.7)	(1.0)
-5D	1,561.51	(0.9)	(0.6)	(0.9)	0.7	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.2)	(0.6)	(2.0)	(3.5)
-1M	1,535.16	0.8	(1.8)	(0.5)	1.0	5.0	3.3	3.7	(0.9)	(0.3)	(11.3)
-3M	1,555.11	(0.5)	2.1	1.5	(1.5)	(0.9)	(1.1)	(1.8)	(6.4)	(2.0)	(11.7)
-6M	1,599.65	(3.3)	(2.2)	7.1	(4.9)	(3.1)	(6.3)	(5.4)	(8.7)	(1.1)	(21.6)
-1Y	1,654.62	(6.5)	(14.8)	6.4	(7.8)	(0.5)	(11.0)	(2.8)	(13.0)	(5.7)	(24.8)
WTD	1,547.17	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MTD	1,565.94	(1.2)	(0.4)	(1.4)	(0.2)	(1.1)	(1.5)	(1.3)	(1.0)	(1.7)	(3.9)
QTD	1,503.10	2.9	3.1	4.0	3.0	3.2	4.3	1.2	(2.8)	(1.0)	(11.4)
End of 2022	1,668.66	(7.3)	(12.6)	4.2	(4.1)	(8.5)	(8.5)	(9.8)	(11.8)	(8.4)	(25.5)

Source: Bloomberg

Exhibit 12: Trade by investor types

SET Index			Exchange rate (USD:THB)	SET Index		Equity trading / Net position				Bond Net foreign (USD m)
Index	Change (y-y%)			Average daily turnover (THB m)	(USD m)	Foreign (USD m)	Retail (USD m)	PropTrade (USD m)	Local Inst (USD m)	
2019	1,579.84	1.0	31.06	52,468	1,689	(1,496)	(662)	477	1,681	(502)
2020	1,449.35	(8.3)	31.29	67,335	2,152	(8,287)	6,873	459	953	(1,005)
2021	1,657.62	14.4	32.00	88,443	2,764	(1,632)	3,630	435	(2,330)	6,550
2022	1,668.66	15.1	34.78	53,589	1,541	5,362	(656)	56	(4,758)	4,111
2023YTD	1,547.17	(7.3)	34.40	54,153	1,574	(4,102)	2,525	24	1,553	94
3Q22	1,589.51	(1.0)	36.42	66,215	1,818	1,076	(93)	(20)	(962)	24
4Q22	1,668.66	0.7	36.37	57,767	1,588	1,443	(533)	(115)	(792)	2,928
1Q23	1,609.17	(5.1)	33.92	63,300	1,866	(1,646)	1,594	(83)	136	612
2Q23	1,503.10	(4.2)	34.48	47,432	1,376	(1,461)	593	(120)	987	(178)
3Q23	1,547.17	(2.7)	35.01	48,841	1,395	(995)	339	227	430	(340)
Jan-23	1,671.46	1.4	33.22	68,181	2,052	545	16	172	(732)	822
Feb-23	1,622.35	(3.7)	34.05	63,203	1,856	(1,273)	836	34	404	(1,115)
Mar-23	1,609.17	(5.1)	34.49	58,517	1,697	(917)	742	(290)	464	905
Apr-23	1,529.12	(8.3)	34.27	44,594	1,301	(231)	222	(16)	24	(608)
May-23	1,533.54	(7.8)	34.26	52,780	1,541	(967)	137	(49)	880	699
Jun-23	1,503.10	(4.2)	34.92	44,923	1,286	(263)	234	(55)	83	(269)
Jul-23	1,556.06	(1.3)	34.61	44,682	1,291	(361)	100	81	181	958
Aug-23	1,565.94	(4.5)	35.04	56,846	1,622	(443)	48	114	280	(1,057)
Sep-23	1,547.17	(2.7)	35.39	44,994	1,271	(191)	190	32	(32)	(241)
2023YTD	1,547.17	(6.7)	34.40	54,153	1,574	(4,102)	2,525	24	1,553	94
04/09/2023	1,548.68		35.22	50,624	1,437	(12)	78	(7)	(58)	(43)
05/09/2023	1,547.86		35.46	42,853	1,208	(43)	50	3	(10)	(80)
06/09/2023	1,548.78		35.51	53,968	1,520	(21)	(8)	2	28	35
07/09/2023	1,550.36		35.61	39,040	1,096	(24)	2	8	14	31
08/09/2023	1,547.17		35.52	34,714	977	(61)	40	26	(5)	(151)

Source: Bloomberg

Exhibit 13: Upcoming events

Date Time	Event	Survey	Actual	Prior	Revised
09/08/2023 03:30	Foreign Reserves	Sep-01	--	\$217.1b	\$215.2b
09/08/2023 03:30	Forward Contracts	Sep-01	--	\$30.5b	\$30.9b
09/13/2023 23:00	Consumer Confidence Economic	Aug	--	50.3	--
09/13/2023 23:00	Consumer Confidence	Aug	--	55.6	--
09/15/2023 03:30	Foreign Reserves	Sep-08	--	\$217.1b	--
09/15/2023 03:30	Forward Contracts	Sep-08	--	\$30.5b	--
09/17/2023 09:24	Car Sales	Aug	--	58419	--
09/22/2023 09:28	Customs Exports YoY	Aug	--	-6.20%	-6.23%
09/22/2023 09:28	Customs Imports YoY	Aug	--	-11.10%	-11.05%
09/22/2023 09:28	Customs Trade Balance	Aug	--	-\$1978m	-\$1978m
09/25/2023 09:29	Mfg Production Index ISIC NSA YoY	Aug	--	-4.43%	--
09/25/2023 09:30	Capacity Utilization ISIC	Aug	--	58.19	--
09/27/2023 03:00	BoT Benchmark Interest Rate	Sep-27	--	2.25%	--
09/29/2023 03:00	BoP Current Account Balance	Aug	--	-\$445m	--
09/29/2023 03:30	Exports YoY	Aug	--	-5.50%	--
09/29/2023 03:30	Exports	Aug	--	\$22039m	--
09/29/2023 03:30	Imports YoY	Aug	--	-12.00%	--
09/29/2023 03:30	Imports	Aug	--	\$21684m	--
09/29/2023 03:30	Trade Balance	Aug	--	\$355m	--
09/29/2023 03:30	BoP Overall Balance	Aug	--	\$253m	--
10/01/2023 20:30	S&P Global Thailand PMI Mfg	Sep	--	48.9	--
10/02/2023 03:30	Business Sentiment Index	Sep	--	48.9	--
10/04/2023 23:30	CPI Core YoY	Sep	--	0.79%	--
10/04/2023 23:30	CPI NSA MoM	Sep	--	0.55%	--
10/04/2023 23:30	CPI YoY	Sep	--	0.88%	--

Source: Bloomberg

Exhibit 14: Management trading

Company	Management	Securities	Transaction	Shares	Price (THB)	Action	Value (THBm)
Syntec Construction (SYNTEC)	Nayot Pisantanakul	Common Shares	9/7/2023	53,200	1.67	Buy	0.09
Synnex Thailand (SYNEX)	Jutarat Bunyanuprapart	Common Shares	9/8/2023	10,000	13.40	Sell	0.13
Bhiraj Office Leasehold Reit (BOFFICE)	Sarocho Minesuk	Warrant	9/7/2023	20,000	5.75	Buy	0.12
Thailand Carpet Mnfg (TCMC)	Pimol Srivikorn	Common Shares	9/7/2023	196,700	1.71	Buy	0.34
Thai Sugar Terminal (TSTE)	Prapas Chutimaworapan	Common Shares	9/6/2023	5,400	9.60	Buy	0.05
BG Container Glass (BGC)	Adisak Sukprasert	Common Shares	9/8/2023	30,800	9.55	Buy	0.29
People's Garment (PG)	Kityaporn Chaithavornsathien	Common Shares	9/7/2023	20,500	8.49	Buy	0.17
Multibax (MBAX)	Pisut Lertwilai	Warrant	9/6/2023	70,200	0.62	Sell	0.04
Multibax (MBAX)	Pisut Lertwilai	Warrant	9/7/2023	70,000	0.59	Sell	0.04
Multibax (MBAX)	Surachai Atsawakaewmongkhon	Warrant	9/6/2023	10,100	0.63	Sell	0.01
Right Tunnelling (RT)	Chaiya Wonglappanich	Warrant	9/7/2023	59,600	0.25	Sell	0.01
Warrix Sports (WARRIX)	Wisan Wanasaksrisakul	Common Shares	9/7/2023	4,500,000*	10.50	Buy	15.75
Warrix Sports (WARRIX)	Wisan Wanasaksrisakul	Common Shares	9/7/2023	1,500,000	10.50	Buy	15.75
Warrix Sports (WARRIX)	Wisan Wanasaksrisakul	Common Shares	9/7/2023	2,530,000	10.50	Buy	26.57
Saksiam Leasing (SAK)	Woranutchanan Phongsurang	Common Shares	9/7/2023	11,400	5.30	Sell	0.06
Saksiam Leasing (SAK)	Woranutchanan Phongsurang	Common Shares	9/8/2023	68,600	5.30	Sell	0.36
Haad Thip (HTC)	Pariya Chirabandhu	Common Shares	9/7/2023	40,000	17.50	Buy	0.70
RS (RS)	Surachai Chetchotisak	Warrant	9/7/2023	700	14.17	Sell	0.01

Source: *Revoked by Reporter; SEC

Exhibit 15: Upcoming XR

Symbol	X-Date	Announce Date	Rights for	Subscription Price	Unit	Subscription Ratio (Holding:New)	Subscription Period	Allotted Shares (Shares)
CCET	10/10/2023	15/08/2023	Common	-	Baht	1 : 0.7863	02/11/2023 - 10/11/2023	4600000000
CV	20/10/2023	16/08/2023	Common	1	Baht	1 : 2	06/11/2023 - 10/11/2023	2560000000
CV	20/10/2023	16/08/2023	Warrants	-	Baht	2 : 1	-	1280000000
ALPHAX	30/10/2023	15/05/2023	Common	0.25	Baht	1 : 1	-	4646406094
B	30/10/2023	23/08/2023	Warrants	-	Baht	3 : 1	-	2691335951
CHAYO	09/11/2023	10/08/2023	Warrants	-	Baht	10 : 1	-	113719653

Source: SET

Exhibit 16: Upcoming XM

Symbol	X-Date	Meeting Date	Type of Meeting	Agenda	Venue
CIG	12/09/2023	09/10/2023	EGM	Capital increase, The issuance of convertible securities	Head Office of C.I. Group Public Company Limited, 1/1 Moo 7, Bangkuwat Road, Bangkuwat Subdistrict, Mueang Pathum Thani District, Pathum Thani Province 12000
B	15/09/2023	06/10/2023	EGM	Capital increase, The issuance of convertible securities, Change of par value	(Electronic) At office No. 52, Thaniya Plaza Building, Floor 28th Silom Road, Suriyawong Subdistrict, Bang Rak District, Bangkok 10500
MBK	20/09/2023	25/10/2023	EGM	Capital increase, Acquisition and disposition of assets	Though electronic device (e-EGM)
PRG	22/09/2023	17/10/2023	EGM	-	-
CHO	04/10/2023	09/11/2023	EGM	Capital increase, Acquisition and disposition of assets, Connected transaction, The issuance of convertible securities, Change of par value	Electronic Conferencing (E-EGM)

Source: SET

Exhibit 17: Upcoming XD

Symbol	X-Date	Dividend (per Share)	Unit	Operation Period	Source of Dividend	Payment Date	Price	Div Yield	Par
SUSCO	11/9/2023	0.2	Baht	01/01/2023 - 30/06/2023	Both	27/9/2023	3.98	5.0%	1
PINGAN80	11/9/2023	-	Baht	-	NP	16/11/2023	-	-	-
BANPU	12/9/2023	0.25	Baht	01/01/2023 - 30/06/2023	NP	29/9/2023	8.25	3.0%	1
BDMS	12/9/2023	0.35	Baht	01/01/2023 - 30/06/2023	NP	29/9/2023	27.25	1.3%	0.1
HMPRO	12/9/2023	0.18	Baht	01/01/2023 - 30/06/2023	NP	27/9/2023	13.60	1.3%	1
EASTW	13/9/2023	0.05	Baht	01/01/2023 - 30/06/2023	NP	29/9/2023	4.68	1.1%	1
KBANK	13/9/2023	0.5	Baht	-	RE	29/9/2023	129.50	0.4%	10
SCB	13/9/2023	2.5	Baht	-	RE	29/9/2023	116.00	2.2%	10
TIPH	13/9/2023	0.5	Baht	-	RE	28/9/2023	40.00	1.3%	1
TIPL	13/9/2023	0.03	Baht	-	RE	29/9/2023	1.57	1.9%	1
TIPIPP	13/9/2023	0.12	Baht	-	RE	25/9/2023	3.46	3.5%	1
EGCO	14/9/2023	3.25	Baht	01/01/2023 - 30/06/2023	NP	28/9/2023	131.50	2.5%	10
MBK	20/9/2023	0.4	Baht	01/01/2023 - 30/06/2023	Both	5/10/2023	18.90	2.1%	1
SRIPANWA	20/9/2023	0.1792	Baht	01/01/2023 - 31/07/2023	NP	11/10/2023	6.00	3.0%	11.1004
CHAYO	9/10/2023	0.00111112	Baht	-	RE	-	7.85	0.0%	0.5
CHAYO	9/10/2023	50 : 1 Share	-	-	RE	-	7.85	-	0.5
MC	2/11/2023	0.36	Baht	01/07/2022 - 30/06/2023	Both	24/11/2023	13.50	2.7%	0.5

Source: SET

Exhibit 18: New securities

Derivative Warrants	Trade Date	Underlying	Issuer	DW Type	Market	Maturity Date	Exercise Price (Baht)
AMATA13P2402A	11/09/2023	AMATA	KGI	Put	SET	10/02/2024	17.3
CBG41C2402A	11/09/2023	CBG	JPM	Call	SET	07/02/2024	115
FORTH19C2402A	11/09/2023	FORTH	YUANTA	Call	SET	08/02/2024	44
KCE41C2402A	11/09/2023	KCE	JPM	Call	SET	07/02/2024	66.25
MTC41C2402A	11/09/2023	MTC	JPM	Call	SET	07/02/2024	50.5
SJWD13C2402A	11/09/2023	SJWD	KGI	Call	SET	10/02/2024	21
TU41C2402A	11/09/2023	TU	JPM	Call	SET	07/02/2024	17.2

Source: SET

