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**The Romania Micro Credit Facility Special Fund**

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## Statement of comprehensive income

For the year ended 31 December 2013

	Note	Year to 31 December 2013 € 000	Year to 31 December 2012 € 000
Interest and similar income			
From loans		266	254
From credit institutions		-	4
Disbursements for technical cooperation	3	(117)	3
Foreign exchange movement		(98)	(31)
Other operating expenses	4	(8)	(8)
Impairment release/(charge) on loan investments	5	34	(47)
<b>Net profit and comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>77</b>	<b>175</b>
Attributable to:			
Contributor		77	175

## Balance sheet

At 31 December 2013

	Note	31 December 2013 € 000		31 December 2012 € 000	
<b>Assets</b>					
Placements with credit institutions		10,729		10,258	
Other financial assets					
Contributions receivable		-		1,561	
Interest receivable		10		14	
			10		1,575
Loan investments	6				
Loans		3,283		3,624	
Less: Provisions for impairment		(124)		(158)	
			3,159		3,466
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>13,898</b>		<b>15,299</b>	
<b>Liabilities and contributor's resources</b>					
Audit fees payable			7		7
Disbursements for technical cooperation			90		7
<b>Total liabilities</b>			<b>97</b>		<b>14</b>
Contributions	7		13,081		14,642
Retained earnings			720		643
<b>Total contributor's resources</b>			<b>13,801</b>		<b>15,285</b>
<b>Total liabilities and contributor's resources</b>			<b>13,898</b>		<b>15,299</b>
<b>Memorandum items</b>					
Undrawn loan commitments and guarantees	8		89		2,092

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## Statement of changes in contributor's resources

For the year ended 31 December 2013

	Contributions € 000	Retained earnings € 000	Total € 000
At 31 December 2011	14,642	468	15,110
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	175	175
At 31 December 2012	14,642	643	15,285
Reversal of contributions receivable	(1,561)	-	(1,561)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	77	77
At 31 December 2013	<b>13,081</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>13,801</b>

## Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 December 2013

	Year to 31 December 2013		Year to 31 December 2012	
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>				
Net profit for the year	77		175	
Adjustments for:				
Interest income	(266)		(258)	
Net deferral of commitment fees	-		3	
Foreign exchange movement	98		31	
Impairment charge on loan investments	(34)		47	
	<u>(125)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	
Interest income received	264		283	
Fee income received	5		-	
(Increase)/decrease in operating assets:				
Proceeds from repayment of loans	2,278		1,248	
Funds advanced for loans	(2,003)		(1,000)	
Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities				
Accrued expenses	83		(102)	
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		<b>502</b>		<b>427</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>502</b>		<b>427</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year</b>		<b>10,258</b>		<b>9,835</b>
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		(31)		(4)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>		<b>10,729</b>		<b>10,258</b>

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## Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

### A. Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on a going concern basis.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the policies of the Romania Micro Credit Facility Special Fund (“the Fund”). The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where judgements and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in “Critical accounting estimates and judgements” within the section for accounting policies.

*New and amended IFRS mandatorily effective for the current reporting period*

The following new and amended standards are effective for the current reporting period:

<b>Pronouncement</b>	<b>Nature of change</b>	<b>Impact</b>
IFRS 7 (Amendment) Financial Instruments: Disclosures – Offsetting of Financial Assets and Liabilities	Requires disclosure of information that will enable users of an entity’s financial statements to evaluate the effect or potential effect of netting arrangements on the entity’s financial position.	No changes of presentation required
IFRS 10: Consolidated Financial Statements	Establishes the principles for the presentation and preparation of consolidated financial statements when an entity controls one or more other entities.	Not applicable
IFRS 11: Joint Arrangements	Establishes the principles for financial reporting by parties to a joint arrangement.	No changes of presentation required
IFRS 12: Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities	Consolidates the disclosure requirements for interests in subsidiaries, joint arrangements, associates and unconsolidated structured entities.	Not applicable
IFRS 13: Fair Value Measurement	Defines fair value, establishes a single framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements.	No change to Fund’s fair value procedures
IAS 1 (Amendment): Presentation of Financial Statements	Requires entities to group items presented in other comprehensive income (“OCI”) on the basis of whether they are potentially re-classifiable to profit or loss.	No changes of presentation required
IAS 19 (Amendment): Employee Benefits	Various amendments to the standard including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• elimination of the option to defer the recognition of gains and losses through the use of the corridor method;</li> <li>• streamlining the presentation of changes in assets and liabilities arising from defined benefit plans;</li> <li>• enhancing disclosure requirements for defined benefit plans</li> </ul>	Not applicable
IAS 27 (Reissued): Separate Financial Statements	Requires an entity preparing separate financial statements to account for investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates at cost or in accordance with IFRS 9: Financial Instruments.	Not applicable

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IAS 28 (Reissued): Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	Prescribes the accounting for investments in associates and sets out the requirements for the application of the equity method when accounting for investments in associates and joint ventures.	Not applicable
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### *IFRS not yet effective but adopted early*

IFRS 9: Financial Instruments is the IASB's replacement project for IAS 39 which is being completed in a number of distinct stages. At this time there is no mandatory application date for the standard although entities are allowed to adopt early all completed phases. The Fund adopted the first stage 'recognition and measurement of financial assets' (November 2009) in its 2010 financial statements.

See the accounting policy for financial assets for more details.

### *IFRS not yet effective and not adopted early*

The following standards are not yet effective and have not been adopted early.

<b>Pronouncement</b>	<b>Nature of change</b>	<b>Potential Impact</b>
IFRS 9 Financial Instruments	Classification and measurement of financial liabilities (October 2010)  Hedge accounting (November 2013)  There is currently no mandatory effective date for application of this standard.	The Fund is yet to assess the potential impact of adopting this standard
IAS 32 (Amendment) Financial Instruments: Presentation – Offsetting of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities	Updates the application guidance and basis of conclusions in relation to the offsetting of financial assets and financial liabilities. Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014.	Not applicable
Investment entities – amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 27	Introduces an exception to consolidating particular subsidiaries for "investment entities", requiring instead such subsidiaries to be measured at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 9 Financial Instruments. New disclosure requirements are also introduced. Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2014.	Not applicable
IAS 19 Amendment: Employee contributions to defined benefit plans	Simplifies the accounting for contributions to defined benefit plans from employees and other third parties. Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2014.	Not applicable

A number of existing standards were reviewed by the IASB in December 2013 as part of the IFRS annual improvements cycle. It is the Fund's opinion that none of these amendments, effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2014, will have a material impact on the Fund's financial statements.

## **B. Significant accounting policies**

### **Financial assets - Classification and measurement**

The Fund early adopted the first instalment of IFRS 9: Financial Instruments, concerning the classification and measurement of financial assets, with effect from 1 January 2010. Pursuant to that adoption, the Fund classifies its financial assets in the following categories: those measured at amortised cost and those measured at fair value. This classification depends on both the contractual characteristics of the assets and the business model adopted for their management.

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## *Financial assets at amortised cost*

An investment is classified as 'amortised cost' only if both of the following criteria are met: the objective of the Fund's business model is to hold the asset to collect the contractual cash flow; and the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding, interest being consideration for the time value of money and the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding.

Investments meeting these criteria are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial assets. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any impairment. The Fund's financial assets at amortised cost are recognised at settlement date.

## *Financial assets at fair value*

If either of the two criteria above is not met, the debt instrument is classified as 'fair value through profit or loss'. The Fund does not currently have any such assets in this category.

## **Financial liabilities**

The Fund has not adopted early that part of IFRS 9 which relates to financial liabilities and therefore still applies IAS 39: Financial Instruments.

All financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost.

## **Impairment of financial assets**

### *Financial assets at amortised cost*

Where there is objective evidence that an identified loan asset is impaired, specific provisions for impairment are recognised in the income statement. Impairment is quantified as the difference between the carrying amount of the asset and the net present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate where applicable. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognised in the income statement. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced directly only upon write-off. Resulting adjustments include the unwinding of the discount in the income statement over the life of the asset, and any adjustments required in respect of a reassessment of the initial impairment.

The criteria that the Fund uses to determine that there is objective evidence of an impairment loss include:

- delinquency in contractual payments of principal or interest;
- cash flow difficulties experienced by the borrower;
- breach of loan covenants or conditions;
- initiation of bankruptcy proceedings;
- deterioration in the borrower's competitive position; and
- deterioration in the value of collateral.

Provisions for impairment of classes of similar assets that are not individually identified as impaired are calculated on a portfolio basis. The methodology used for assessing such impairment is based on a risk-rated approach for non-sovereign assets. The Fund's methodology calculates impairment on an incurred loss basis. Impairment is deducted from the asset categories on the balance sheet.

Impairment, less any amounts reversed during the year, is charged to the income statement. When a loan is deemed uncollectible the principal is written off against the related impairment provision. Such loans are written off only after all necessary procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Recoveries are credited to the income statement if previously written off.

Loans and advances are generally renegotiated in response to an adverse change in the circumstances of the borrower. Depending upon the degree to which the original loan is amended, it may continue to be recognised or will be derecognised and replaced with a new loan. To the extent the original loan is retained, it will continue to be shown as overdue if appropriate and individually impaired where the renegotiated payments of interest and principal will not recover the original carrying amount of the asset.

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## Financial guarantees

The Fund's resources are used to guarantee up to 50 per cent of the principal losses which may be incurred by partner lending institutions' (PLIs) in their financing of start-up micro and small enterprises (MSEs), subject to a maximum amount of €3 million overall. The Fund receives no benefit for being a party to these guarantees, i.e. no fees are received and there are no preferential lending arrangements on behalf of the Fund where parallel lending exists. Where it becomes highly probable that a guarantee will require to be settled and that amount can be reliably estimated, that amount will be recognised as a liability with a corresponding charge to the income statement.

## Contributor's resources

The Fund recognises contributions received from the contributor as equity on the basis that the termination of the contribution agreement would lead to the winding up of the Fund and the distribution of the residual assets to the contributor.

## Statement of cash flows

The statement of cash flows is prepared using the indirect method. Cash and cash equivalents comprise balances with less than three months maturity from the date of the transaction, which are available for use at short notice and that are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

## Foreign currencies

The Fund's reporting currency for the presentation of its financial statements is the euro (€).

Foreign currency transactions are initially translated into euro using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions, and from the translation at the year-end exchange rate of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies, are included in the income statement.

## Contributions

Outstanding contributions are recognised as receivables on the balance sheet on the date of signature of a contribution agreement by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development ("the Bank") and a contributor. Contributions receivable have not been discounted on a present value basis as there is no indication as to their precise payment date. The Fund is satisfied that they will be realised for the amounts stated in the financial statements.

## Disbursements for technical cooperation

Disbursements for technical cooperation, which represent payments for consultancy services provided to the Fund, are recorded as expenditure over the period during which the services are received.

## Interest and dividends

Interest is recorded on an accruals basis using the effective interest method. All interest income is recognised within 'interest and similar income' in the statement of comprehensive income.

Commitment fees are deferred in accordance with IAS 18: Revenue. These are then recognised in interest income using the effective interest method over the period from disbursement to repayment of the related loan. If the commitment expires without the loan being drawn down, the fee is recognised as income on expiry.

## Taxation

In accordance with Article 53 of the Agreement Establishing the Bank ("the AEB"), within the scope of its official activities, the Bank, its assets, property and income are exempt from all direct taxes and all taxes and duties levied upon goods and services acquired or imported, except for those parts of taxes or duties that represent charges for public utility services. As described in note 1, this exemption is extended to the Fund.



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## C. Critical estimates and judgements

Preparing financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the Fund to make estimates and judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts included in the income statement during the reporting period. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Fund's critical accounting estimates and judgements are as follows:

### *Provisions for the impairment of loan investments*

The Fund's method for determining the level of impairment of loan investments is described within the accounting policies section of the report and further explained under credit risk within the risk management section of the report. As described in the risk management section the Fund participates in investments jointly with the Bank and credit risk is jointly managed. Accordingly, the risk management disclosures are based on the Bank's risk processes and procedures.

Portfolio provisions for the unidentified impairment of loan investments at 31 December 2013 were €59,000 (2012: €79,000). The sensitivity of portfolio provisions to key variables used in determining the level of impairment is provided below.

### **Risk ratings**

- If all loan investments were upgraded by three 'notches' or detailed ratings within the Bank's probability of default rating scale, this would result in a reduction of €48,000 in portfolio provisions on loan investments.
- Conversely, if all loan investments were downgraded by three 'notches' or detailed ratings within the Bank's probability of default rating scale, this would result in a charge to the income statement of €375,000 in relation to portfolio provisions for loans.
- With respect to specific provisions, an increase or decrease of ten per cent on the level of impaired loans would have a +/- €6,000 impact.

### **Loss emergence period**

- Provisions for unidentified impairment are made to reflect losses arising from events existing but not identified at the balance sheet date and which will emerge within a 12 month period from that date. If the loss emergence period was reduced to three months it is broadly estimated that this would result in a decrease in portfolio provisions charged to the income statement of €48,000.

### **Probability of default rates**

- In determining the probabilities of default for each risk rating, the relative weighting applied to external data and the Bank's own experience is reviewed annually. The 2013 general provisioning methodology applies a 50 per cent weighting to the Bank's own experience and a 50 per cent weighting to external data, which is consistent with the methodology approved in the previous year. A decrease in the weighting assigned to the Bank's own experience to 40 per cent (60 per cent external default data) would lead to an increase in portfolio provisions of €9,000, increasing provisions for unidentified impairment of loan investments to €68,000. Similarly, an increase in the weighting assigned to the Bank's own experience to 60 per cent (40 per cent external default data) would lead to a decrease in portfolio provisions of €9,000, decreasing provisions for unidentified impairment of loan investments to €50,000.

### **Loss given default rates**

- A decrease in loss given default rates by 10 percentage points would lead to a decrease in portfolio provisions of €9,000, reducing provisions for unidentified impairment of loans to €50,000.
- An increase in loss given default rates by 10 percentage points would lead to a corresponding increase in portfolio provisions for unidentified impairment of loans by €9,000, to a total of €68,000.

The methodology and judgements used for estimating provisions for the impairment of loan investments are reviewed annually to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual experience.

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## Risk management

The Fund was established to improve access to finance for MSEs in Romania. To achieve this, the Fund may participate alongside the Bank in providing loans to PLIs. The Fund's resources may also be used to provide non-reimbursable technical assistance and to encourage PLIs to finance start-ups by guaranteeing 50 per cent of their losses on their MSE portfolios.

As the primary purpose of the Fund is to assist MSEs in Romania rather than to generate a return on its assets, most financial risks are not actively managed by the Fund. As the Fund participates in investments jointly with the Bank, credit risk is jointly managed; however the Fund does not hedge against market risk and is hence exposed to foreign exchange and interest rate risk.

### A. Credit risk

Credit risk is the potential loss to a portfolio that could result from the default of a counterparty or the deterioration of its creditworthiness. The Fund may also be exposed to concentration risk, which is the risk arising from too high a proportion of the portfolio being allocated to a specific country, industry sector or obligor, or to a particular type of instrument or individual transaction.

The Fund is exposed to credit risk as borrowers and counterparties could default on their contractual obligations, or the value of the Fund's investments could be impaired.

The carrying amounts of financial assets presented on the balance sheet, together with undrawn loan commitments and guarantees as shown under memorandum items, best represents the Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk at 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2012, without taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements.

### Credit risk management and measurement

As previously stated, the Fund participates jointly with the Bank in the financing of investments in the Bank's countries of operations. It therefore benefits from the same governance process employed by the Bank in the measurement and management of credit exposures, which is described below.

The Board of Directors ("the Board") approves a credit process document that defines the procedures for the approval, management and review of Banking exposures by the Operations Committee. The Audit Committee reviews the credit process annually and its review is submitted to the Board for approval.

Banking projects are reviewed by the Operations Committee which is chaired by the First Vice President Banking and whose membership comprises senior managers of the Bank. The Operations Committee is responsible for reviewing all Banking operations prior to their submission for Board approval. This includes a number of frameworks for smaller projects which are then each considered by the Small Business Investment Committee. Both committees review projects to ensure they meet the Bank's criteria for sound banking, transition impact and additionality. The Operations Committee operates within the authority delegated by the Board, via the Executive Committee, to approve projects within Board-approved framework operations. The Operations Committee is also responsible for approving significant changes to existing operations.

The responsibility for oversight of the Banking portfolio resides with the Risk Committee. The Risk Committee is chaired by the Vice President Risk, comprises senior managers of the Bank and operates within the authority delegated by the Board via the Executive Committee. Risk Management is responsible for recommending provisions for the impairment of Banking loans and reports these quarterly to the Risk Committee.

The Bank conducts reviews of exposures within the Banking portfolio. At each review, Risk Management assesses whether there has been any change in the risk profile of the exposure, recommends actions to mitigate risk and reconfirms or adjusts the risk rating. At the recommendation of Risk Management, investments considered to be in jeopardy may be transferred from Banking teams to the Corporate Recovery Unit – which reports jointly to Risk Management and Banking – in order to manage the restructuring work-out and recovery process.

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The table below shows the Bank's internal probability of default rating scale from 1.0 (lowest risk) to 8.0 (highest risk) and how this maps to the external ratings of Standard & Poor's (S&P). References to risk rating through this text relate to probability of default ratings unless otherwise specified.

EBRD risk category	EBRD risk rating <sup>1</sup>	External rating equivalent	Category name	Broader category
1	1.0	AAA	Excellent	Investment Grade
2	1.7	AA+	Very Strong	
	2.0	AA		
3	2.3/2.5	AA-	Strong	
	2.7	A+		
	3.0	A		
4	3.3	A-	Good	
	3.7	BBB+		
	4.0	BBB		
5	4.3	BBB-	Fair	
	4.7	BB+		
	5.0	BB		
6	5.3	BB-	Weak	
	5.7	B+		
	6.0	B		
7	6.3	B-	Special Attention	Classified
	6.7	CCC+		
	7.0	CCC		
8	7.3	CCC-	Expected Loss/Impaired	
	8.0	CC/CD		

Disbursements are managed by the Operations Administration Department (OAD) within the Office of the General Counsel (OGC). The OAD is responsible for checking compliance with loan and other project agreements and ensuring that correct procedures are followed in line with approved policy. Waivers, consents and amendments of loan covenants and conditionality are prepared by the OAD and are approved by Banking, Risk Management and, where required, by the OGC, the Office of the Chief Economist and the Environment and Sustainability Department.

The Bank assigns its internal risk ratings to all counterparties in the portfolio. Counterparty risk ratings reflect the financial strength of the risk counterparty as well as consideration of any implicit support, for example from a major shareholder. For non-sovereign operations, probability of default ratings are normally capped by the local sovereign rating, except where the Bank has recourse to a guarantor from outside the country of operations which may have a better rating than the local sovereign rating. The Bank also assigns loss given default ratings on a scale of 0 per cent to 100 per cent determined by seniority, jurisdiction and sector of the transaction.

The Bank's general portfolio provisions are based on an assumed value for the probability of default rating assigned to each transaction by Risk Management and loss given default parameters based on product seniority and legal jurisdiction. Both the assumed probability of default value and the loss given default assumptions remain more conservative than the Bank's own default and recovery experience.

Risk Management reports on the development of the portfolio as a whole on a quarterly basis to the Audit Committee. The report includes a summary of key factors affecting the portfolio and provides analysis and commentary on trends within the portfolio and within various sub-portfolios. It also includes reporting on compliance with all portfolio risk limits including explanation of any limit breaches.

### *Placements with credit institutions*

The Fund's placements with credit institutions were all internally risk rated between 2 and 5 (approximately AA+ to BB- in terms of S&P equivalent).

<sup>1</sup> Probability of default.

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### Loan investments

Set out below is an analysis of the Fund's loan investments and the associated impairment provisions for each of the Bank's relevant internal risk rating categories.

Risk category	Neither past due nor impaired		Total	Total	Portfolio	Specific	Total	Impairment
	€ 000	€ 000			provisions for unidentified impairment	provisions for identified impairment		
6: Weak	3,218	-	3,218	98.0	(59)	-	3,159	1.8
8: Expected loss/impaired	-	65	65	2.0	-	(65)	-	100.0
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>3,218</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>3,283</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>(59)</b>	<b>(65)</b>	<b>3,159</b>	<b>3.8</b>

Risk category	Neither past due nor impaired		Total	Total	Portfolio	Specific	Total	Impairment
	€ 000	€ 000			provisions for unidentified impairment	provisions for identified impairment		
6: Weak	3,545	-	3,545	97.8	(79)	-	3,466	2.2
8: Expected loss/impaired	-	79	79	2.2	-	(79)	-	100.0
<b>At 31 December 2012</b>	<b>3,545</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>3,624</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>(79)</b>	<b>(79)</b>	<b>3,466</b>	<b>4.4</b>

### Guarantees

In accordance with Section 3.01 (a) of the Rules and Regulations of the Fund, the Fund may guarantee 50 per cent of the principal losses of PLIs which have provided qualifying start-up loans to MSEs, subject to a maximum amount of €3 million overall. At 31 December 2013, such loans amounted to €178,000 (2012: €184,000), for which the Fund's maximum exposure was €89,000 (2012: €92,000).

The Fund does not actively manage credit risk on its guarantee exposure and the Fund's guarantee exposure is not internally risk rated by the Bank as the relevant information on the PLIs sub-loan portfolio is not available.

### Undrawn loan commitments

Set out below is an analysis of the Fund's undrawn commitments for loan investments in each of the Bank's relevant internal risk rating categories.

Risk category	Undrawn loan commitments	Undrawn loan commitments
	2013	2012
6: Weak	-	2,000
<b>31 December</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,000</b>

### Concentration of credit risk exposure

The Fund's credit risk exposure is concentrated in a single geographic region, Romania, and a single industry sector, finance.

## B. Market risk

Market risk is the potential loss that could result from adverse market movements. The drivers of market risk for the Fund are interest rate and foreign exchange risk.

### Market risk management and measurement

As discussed at the beginning of the risk management section, the Fund does not actively monitor or hedge against market risk.

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### *Interest rate risk*

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The length of time for which the rate of interest is fixed on a financial instrument indicates to what extent it is exposed to interest rate risk.

The majority of the Fund's placements and floating rate loan investments are repriced to market interest rates within one and six months respectively. The Fund's Romanian leu placement is repriced from time to time in line with market fluctuations, but not at set intervals. Exposure to interest rate risk is still considered to be minimal.

### *Foreign exchange risk*

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

The Fund's net exposure to foreign exchange risk is outlined in the table below.

	Euro	Romanian leu	
	2013	2013	Total
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
Total assets	11,630	2,268	13,898
Total liabilities	(97)	-	(97)
<b>Net currency position at 31 December 2013</b>	<b>11,533</b>	<b>2,268</b>	<b>13,801</b>

	Euro	Romanian leu	
	2012	2012	Total
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
Total assets	13,815	1,484	15,299
Total liabilities	(14)	-	(14)
<b>Net currency position at 31 December 2012</b>	<b>13,801</b>	<b>1,484</b>	<b>15,285</b>

Based on the five year rolling average of absolute movements in the Romanian leu to euro exchange rate, the potential impact on the Fund's net profit from a 5 per cent strengthening or weakening (2012: 6 per cent) is €108,000 (2012: €84,000).

### C. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

The Fund's Rules and Regulations require that loan investments and guarantees are financed from the resources of the Fund, which comprise contributions received and interest income.

Accordingly, the Fund cannot commit more than the available resources and cannot borrow funds to finance operations. The Fund's guarantees are limited to the resources of the guarantee sub-account, and contributions received are recognised as equity, which will only be returned to the contributor as part of the residual assets upon termination of the Fund. As a result, the Fund's exposure to liquidity risk is considered to be minimal.

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## Notes to the financial statements

### 1. Creation of the Special Fund

The creation of the Fund was approved by the Board on 18 October 2006 and is administered, inter alia, in accordance with the AEB and under the terms of the Rules and Regulations of the Fund. The Fund became operational on 11 December 2006 following the signing of the first contribution agreement.

The Fund's principal office is located in London at One Exchange Square, EC2A 2JN.

The Fund was established in accordance with Article 18 of the AEB. The Fund is not part of the ordinary capital resources of the Bank, but any privileges and immunities available to the Bank are extended to the Fund.

### 2. President's responsibilities

The President is responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with IFRS issued by the IASB.

### 3. Disbursements for technical cooperation

	Commitments approved € 000	Disbursements € 000	Undrawn commitments € 000
<b>Total projects</b>			
At 31 December 2011	728	701	27
Movement in the year	(29)	(3)	(26)
At 31 December 2012	699	698	1
Movement in the year	122	117	5
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>6</b>

### 4. Other operating expenses

Other operating expenses comprise administrative expenses directly related to the Fund and include external auditor's remuneration of €6,500 (2012: €7,700). At 31 December 2013 €6,500 (2012: €6,500) is payable to the Bank in relation to the 2013 external audit. The external auditor is appointed for a four-year term with Deloitte LLP (UK) serving as auditor for the period 2011-14. The external auditor may only serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

### 5. Provision for impairment of loan investments

	2013 € 000	2012 € 000
<b>(Release)/charge for the year</b>		
Portfolio provisions for the unidentified impairment of loan provisions	(20)	(32)
Specific provisions for the identified impairment of loan investments	(14)	79
<b>Impairment (release)/charge on loan investments</b>	<b>(34)</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Movement in provisions</b>		
At 1 January	158	111
(Release)/charge for the year to the income statement	(34)	47
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>158</b>
<b>Analysed between</b>		
Portfolio provisions for the unidentified impairment of loan investments	59	79
Specific provisions for the identified impairment of loan investments	65	79
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>158</b>

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## 6. Loan investments

	2013	2012
	€ 000	€ 000
At 1 January	3,624	3,903
Disbursements	2,003	1,000
Repayments	(2,278)	(1,248)
Foreign exchange movements	(65)	(28)
Movement in net deferral of commitment fees	(1)	(3)
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>3,283</b>	<b>3,624</b>
Impairment at 31 December	(124)	(158)
<b>Total loan investments net of impairment at 31 December</b>	<b>3,159</b>	<b>3,466</b>

## 7. Contributions

Contributions received and receivable from the Romanian Ministry are set out below:

	2013	2012
	€ 000	€ 000
Cumulative contributions received	13,081	13,081
Contributions receivable	-	1,561
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>13,081</b>	<b>14,642</b>

During the 2013 year it was determined that €1,561,000 of contributions recorded as receivable in 2012 would not be received, on the basis that no new projects are expected to be approved for the Fund. The effect of this is a decrease in contributions receivable of €1,561,000, and a corresponding decrease in total contributions.

## 8. Undrawn commitments and guarantees

	2013	2012
	€ 000	€ 000
Undrawn loan commitments	-	2,000
Guarantees	89	92
<b>Memorandum items at 31 December</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2,092</b>
Disbursements for technical cooperation	6	1
<b>Undrawn commitments and guarantees at 31 December</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>2,093</b>

## 9. Analysis of current and non-current assets and liabilities

The table below provides the classification of current and non-current assets and liabilities in the balance sheet.

	Current	Non-current	Total	Current	Non-current	Total
	2013	2013	2013	2012	2012	2012
	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000	€ 000
<b>Assets</b>						
Placements with credit institutions	10,729	-	10,729	10,258	-	10,258
Interest receivable	10	-	10	14	-	14
Contributions receivable	-	-	-	-	1,561	1,561
Loans	2,225	1,058	3,283	583	3,041	3,624
Provision for impairment	(40)	(84)	(124)	(10)	(148)	(158)
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>12,924</b>	<b>974</b>	<b>13,898</b>	<b>10,845</b>	<b>4,454</b>	<b>15,299</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Audit fee payable	7	-	7	(7)	-	(7)
Disbursements for technical cooperation	90	-	90	(7)	-	(7)
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>(14)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(14)</b>

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## 10. Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of financial assets and liabilities presented on the balance sheet approximate to their fair value.

## 11. Events after the reporting period

There have been no material post-reporting date events that would require disclosure or adjustment to these financial statements.

## 12. Related parties

The Fund's related parties are the Bank and the contributor.

The Bank is entitled to charge the Fund a management fee equal to 1.25 per cent of contributions received. As there were no contributions received in 2013, there were no management fees paid by the Fund to the Bank (2012: nil) and there was no accrued management fee payable by the Fund to the Bank at 31 December 2013 (2012: nil).

Audit fees payable to the Bank are outlined note 4.

Contributions received and receivable from the contributor are outlined in note 7.



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE EUROPEAN BANK  
FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT ("THE BANK")**

**Report on the financial statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the Romania Micro Credit Facility Special Fund ("the Fund") for the year ended 31 December 2013 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, the balance sheet, the statement of changes in contributor's resources, the statement of cash flows for the year then ended together with the accounting policies, the risk management section and the related notes 1 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

**President's responsibility for the financial statements**

The President is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, and for such internal control as the President determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these Financial Statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Bank's preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bank's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Financial Statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

**Opinion**

In our opinion the Financial Statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Romania Micro Credit Facility Special Fund as at 31 December 2013 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

**Other reporting responsibilities**

We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Financial Statements are not in agreement with the accounting records, if the proper accounting records have not been kept, or if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit. We have nothing to report in connection with this duty.

**Other Matters**

The financial statements have been prepared for, and only for, the Bank in accordance with Article 24 of the Agreement Establishing the Bank dated 29 May 1990, and for the use of the contributor and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this Report is shown or into whose hands it may come, save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.



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