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**The EBRD Shareholder Special Fund**

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# The EBRD Shareholder Special Fund

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## Statement of comprehensive income

For the year ended 31 December 2013

	Note	Year to 31 December 2013 € million	Year to 31 December 2012 € million
Disbursements for technical cooperation	3	(22)	(22)
Disbursements for investment grants		(3)	(8)
Incentive fees		(1)	-
Disbursement to other funds	4	(5)	(5)
Other operating expenses		(1)	-
<b>Net loss and comprehensive expense for the year</b>		<b>(32)</b>	<b>(35)</b>
Net loss and comprehensive expense attributable to:			
<b>Contributor</b>		<b>(32)</b>	<b>(35)</b>

## Balance sheet

At 31 December 2013

	Note	31 December 2013 € million		31 December 2012 € million	
<b>Assets</b>					
Placements with credit institutions			255		199
Other assets	5		1		-
<b>Total assets</b>			<b>256</b>		<b>199</b>
<b>Liabilities and contributor's resources</b>					
Disbursements for technical cooperation			13		14
<b>Total liabilities</b>			<b>13</b>		<b>14</b>
Contributions	6	385		295	
Reserves and accumulated loss		(142)		(110)	
<b>Total contributor's resources</b>			<b>243</b>		<b>185</b>
<b>Total liabilities and contributor's resources</b>			<b>256</b>		<b>199</b>

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## Statement of changes in contributor's resources

For the year ended 31 December 2013

	Contributions € million	Accumulated loss € million	Total € million
At 31 December 2011	295	(75)	220
Contributions received	-	-	-
Total comprehensive expense for the year	-	(35)	(35)
<b>At 31 December 2012</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>(110)</b>	<b>185</b>
Contributions received	90	-	90
Total comprehensive expense for the year	-	(32)	(32)
<b>At 31 December 2013</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>(142)</b>	<b>243</b>

## Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 31 December 2013

	Year to 31 December 2013 € million	Year to 31 December 2012 € million
<b>Cash flows used in operating activities</b>		
Net loss for the year	(32)	(35)
	(32)	(35)
Increase in operating assets:		
Other assets	(1)	-
(Decrease)/increase in operating liabilities:		
Accrued expenses	(1)	2
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>(34)</b>	<b>(33)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Contributions received	90	-
<b>Net cash from financing activities</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>(33)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>232</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>199</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, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets held at fair value through profit or loss. The financial statements have been prepared 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 EBRD Shareholder 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 change of presentation is 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.	No change to the Fund’s accounting for its equity investments
IFRS 11: Joint Arrangements	Establishes the principles for financial reporting by parties to a joint arrangement.	No change 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.	No changes of presentation required
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 the 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

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<b>Pronouncement</b>	<b>Nature of change</b>	<b>Impact</b>
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
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.	No change as Fund accounts for such investments on a fair value basis

### *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 the 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	The amendment 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.	Immaterial
Investment entities – amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 27	The amendments introduce 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 improvement 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.

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## 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.

#### *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'. All of the share investments held by the Fund are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The basis of fair value for share investments that are unlisted is determined using valuation techniques appropriate to the market and industry of each investment. The primary valuation technique used is net asset value.

The Fund's share investments are recognised on a trade date basis.

At initial recognition, the Fund measures these assets at their fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the income statement. Such assets are carried at fair value on the balance sheet with changes in fair value included in the income statement in the period in which they occur.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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.

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## 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 are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

## Incentive fees

Incentive fees represent payments made to clients of the Bank to encourage investment in sustainable energy projects. Fees are calculated for each project, based on either the expected carbon dioxide emission reductions to be generated by the project or the actual costs of implementation. Payment is made on technical completion of the project, following verification by an external consultant. The incentive fees are then paid to the client via a one-off payment (upon submission of a fee application form to the bank) or are used to reduce the outstanding principal on the corresponding loan made by the Bank.

## Disbursements for technical cooperation

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

## Interest

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

## 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.

## Comparatives

The level of rounding used in presenting the financial statements has been amended to millions in 2013 as this better reflects the size and internal reporting of the Fund.

## C. Critical accounting 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. The fund's outstanding share investments are considered immaterial at 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2012.



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## Risk management

The purpose of the Fund is to assist the Bank to achieve its mandate of promoting transition towards open market-oriented economies by preparing the way for future Bank-financed projects and improving the investment climate in the Bank's countries of operations.

The resources of the Fund may be used to finance:

- technical assistance (or cooperation) which involves the provision of services, usually those of consultants, to provide expertise to clients in the Bank's countries of operations;
- non-technical assistance initiatives which are principally used to provide working capital, incentive fees or to pay for goods and works contracts in support of Bank investment operations; and
- investment activities which may include guarantees, equity or debt financing.

As the primary purpose of the Fund is to assist the Bank to achieve its transition mandate rather than to generate a return on its assets, not all financial risks are actively managed by the Fund. Credit risk is jointly managed with the Bank; however the Fund does not hedge against market risk and is hence exposed to foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and equity price risk.

### A. Credit risk

Credit risk is the potential loss to a portfolio that could result from either 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 transaction.

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

The carrying amounts of financial assets presented on the balance sheet 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 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 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. For share investments it also reviews the fair value. At

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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.

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 2.3/2.5	AA AA-		
3	2.7	A+	Strong	
	3.0	A		
	3.3	A-		
4	3.7	BBB+	Good	
	4.0	BBB		
	4.3	BBB-		
5	4.7	BB+	Fair	
	5.0	BB		
	5.3	BB-		
6	5.7	B+	Weak	
	6.0	B		
	6.3	B-		
7	6.7	CCC+	Special Attention	Classified
	7.0	CCC		
	7.3	CCC-		
8	8.0	CC/CD	Expected Loss/Impaired	

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.

<sup>1</sup> Probability of default

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## *Placements with credit institutions*

The Fund's placements with credit institutions were all internally risk rated 2 and 3 (approximately AA+ to A- in terms of the S&P equivalent).

Included in the placements with credit institutions is €221 million (2012: €176.2 million) in placements with the Royal Bank of Scotland via a tri-party repurchase arrangement, with Euroclear acting as the tri-party. This arrangement involves the Fund receiving, as collateral, highly liquid securities equal to the value of the placement, for a period of approximately one month. The credit risk on the placement is fully mitigated by collateral held. On termination of the arrangement, the placement and collateral are returned to the respective parties, and a new arrangement is entered into based on the Fund's excess available cash. Euroclear ensures that the value of the securities held covers the full value of the placement on a daily basis.

The Fund is not entitled to sell or repledge the collateral outside of a default. The Fund has not taken possession of any securities held as collateral during the year.

## *Other financial assets*

Other financial assets represent, Business Advisory Services Programme ("BAS") and Secretariat Office advances. BAS and Secretariat Office advances are held with institutions in local countries of operations and may be risk rated below A-; however balances are monitored to ensure credit exposure is minimal.

## **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, foreign exchange and equity price 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.

#### *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 Fund's placements are repriced to market interest rates within one month, therefore the exposure to interest rate risk is 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.

	United States		Total
	Euro	dollars	
	2013	2013	
	€ million	€ million	€ million
Total assets	249	7	256
Total liabilities	(12)	(1)	(13)
<b>Net currency position at 31 December 2013</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>243</b>

	United States		Total
	Euro	dollars	
	2012	2012	
	€ million	€ million	€ million
Total assets	188	11	199
Total liabilities	(12)	(2)	(14)
<b>Net currency position at 31 December 2012</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>185</b>

Based on the five year rolling average of absolute movements in the United States dollar to euro exchange rate, the potential impact to the Fund's net profit is considered immaterial.

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### *Equity price risk*

Equity price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices.

The Fund's share investment is immaterial at 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2012. As such, the movement in market prices is considered to have a minimal impact on the Fund.

### **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 share investments and technical assistance are financed from the resources of the Fund, which comprises contributions received and investment income. Accordingly, the Fund cannot commit more than the available resources and cannot borrow funds to finance operations. The Fund also recognises contributions received 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 of Directors (“the Board”) of the Bank on 15 April 2008 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 after the Governors of the Bank adopted the 2007 Net Income Allocation Resolution during its Annual Meeting on 18-19 May 2008.

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 the 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 € million	Disbursements € million	Undrawn commitments € million
<b>Total projects</b>			
At 31 December 2011	85	(67)	18
Movement in the year	19	(22)	(3)
At 31 December 2012	104	(89)	15
Movement in the year	25	(22)	3
<b>As at 31 December 2013</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>(111)</b>	<b>18</b>

### 4. Disbursement to other funds

In 2013 the Board approved a disbursement of €5 million to the ETC Local Currency Risk Sharing Special Fund (2012: €5 million).

### 5. Other assets

	2013 € 000	2012 € 000
Share investments (note 6)	82	114
Interest receivable	5	-
Business Advisory Services and Secretariat Office advances	725	488
Bank charges refundable	2	3
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>605</b>

### 6. Share investments

IFRS 7 specifies classification of fair values on the basis of a three-level hierarchy of valuation methodologies. The classifications are determined based on whether the inputs used in the measurement of fair values are observable or unobservable. The fair values of the Fund’s share investments have been classified as Level 3, that is, those which have fair values determined by inputs not based on observable market data.

The outstanding disbursements and fair value of the share investment is considered immaterial at 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2012. As such, no reasonably plausible alternative valuations have been determined.

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## 7. Contributions

Contributions of €90 million were received during the year. In 2012, €21,000 was received from the Technical Cooperation Special Fund upon its closure.

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

Assets and liabilities on the balance sheet are classified as current for both 2013 and 2012. Share investments detailed in note 6 are considered non-current in 2013 and 2012.

## 9. Undrawn commitments

	2013	2012
	€ million	€ million
Disbursements for technical cooperation	18	15
Incentive payments	1	-
Investment grants	11	5
<b>At 31 December</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>20</b>

## 10. Events after the reporting period

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

## 11. Related parties

The Fund's only related party is the Bank.

The Bank is entitled to charge the Fund a management fee, as determined by the Board of Directors, each time a contribution is made to the Fund. Management fees of €900,000 were charged during the year (2012: nil). There was no accrued management fee payable by the Fund to the Bank at 31 December 2013 (2012: nil).

External auditor's remuneration of €6,500 (2012: €7,700) is payable by the Bank from the management fee. 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.

During 2013 the Bank reimbursed the Fund €13,000 of bank charges (2012: €9,000), of which €2,000 are receivable as at 31 December 2013 (2012: €3,000).

**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 EBRD Shareholder 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 11. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

**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 EBRD Shareholder 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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