



480 primary trades, record production of USD billion

Portfolio doubled to USD billion over the past 18 months

USD billion development financing de-risked since inception in 60 frontier currencies

In 2018, TCX has hedged USD million local-currency bonds across 10 currencies

55% of long positions in local currency hedged with the market

TCX's rating upgraded to by S&P

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### **Letter from the Supervisory Board**

With great pleasure we present you with the annual report of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V. ('TCX') for the year 2018. 2018 is the year where TCX, although still in its early teens, is starting to show the traits that will define its character as adult. First of all, the Fund continues to grow at an impressive speed, reflecting the need for the products it offers. Second, the Fund continues to be innovative and increasingly impactful, also in the areas that we did not foresee in 2007. The Fund however, has not reached the stage where it can grow without the (financial) support of its parents, the investors. Lastly, despite its youth, we see the Fund is a resilient and a reliable partner in facing the risks of volatile emerging market currencies.

The total primary production of TCX grew further from USD 1 billion in 2017 to USD 1.3 billion in 2018. An impressive growth that reflects both the need for local currency as well as the Fund Manager's increasing activities in creating a market for local currency bonds. The offering of local currency hedges, the core product of TCX, grew from USD 904 million to USD 1.1 billion. The local currency bonds that TCX hedged, the other activity constituting the total primary production, grew from USD 130 million to USD 186 million. The Board is extremely pleased with this development and witnessed several transactions pushing the boundaries of local currency finance. A five-year Tanzania shilling bond with a countervalue of USD 19 million, the first ever off-shore Uzbekistan som hedge, the first ever Honduras lempira, Pakistani rupee and Myanmar kyat bonds as well as the largest ever Ukrainian hryvnia bond. In this activity, the board especially would like to thank shareholder FMO, for its crucial role as issuer of the frontier currency bonds. FMO helps deepen the local currency markets and supports the growth of TCX's activities in a more capital efficient way.

The continued growth naturally is reflected by a declining capital ratio. The Fund started the year with 25.6% of capital to risk weighted assets ratio, and for some time managed the portfolio with a growth buffer of less than 2%. Never in the history of the Fund was the leverage so high. As Supervisory Board, we embrace this intensified use of capital. We realize that it comes with an increased risk in a possible breach of the pillar II buffer, but it mainly reflects the success and importance of the mission of TCX and the growing expectations towards the Fund Manager to actively manage its risk weighted assets to capital ratio. We therefore were very pleased to see that the Fund Manager increased its risk offsetting activities substantially, leading to 35% of its outstanding long positions in local currency to be hedged with the market.

The growth is also expected to continue in the years to come. We believe that we have only just begun in addressing the design flaw in development finance that led to large scale USD lending to local currency offering clients. As stated above, TCX is not yet able to grow independent from additional capital. In November 2018 we launched the TCX capital raising document for the 2019-2022 period in Berlin. The document describes recent and expected developments in the fast-changing market of frontier currency finance, and the additional activities TCX can develop at different capital levels. Simultaneously the Fund presented the newly developed Theory of Change, describing how TCX realizes development impact through its activities. The Supervisory Board was thrilled to see the broad interest from both existing and new investors to consider investing in the Fund. 2019 will be the year in which TCX needs to show that it can continue to attract additional investments to fuel the growth and impact of the Fund.

We welcome, and often actively support, new initiatives such as currency risk absorbing tranches in investment funds and the local currency facility of the IFC. We are however weary of the utilization of soft funding or blended finance when this is not needed. Ultimately, the role of Development Finance is to crowd in the private sector. Local currency financing below risk reflective rates leads to market distortions, doing more harm than good in terms of sustainable market creation. For off-shore commercial investors who take the market risk and return of frontier currencies, the price cannot be a subsidized price. This nascent market therefore needs limited and careful access to blended finance. This is valid for off-shore as well as on-shore initiatives meant to enhance access to 'affordable' local currency.

As stated above, we see that reliability and resilience will remain one of the characteristics of a mature TCX. This conviction was reflected in 2018 upgrade of TCX by S&P from 'A-'to 'A'. The Fund's year result was a USD 32 million loss, mainly reflecting the strength of the USD and some emerging market nervousness resulting from the idiosyncratic events in Argentina and Turkey.

With respect to diversity and gender balance in the internal organization of TCX, we are conscious of the fact that in the Netherlands large corporates should strive for 30% women participation at managing and supervisory board levels. A target that on principle TCX fully supports. As for the Supervisory Board of TCX, we are now five members at 20% women participation, and thus, not there yet. We would like to note however, that currently the Supervisory Board is recruiting, with a new member hopefully joining the Supervisory Board in the coming year. Throughout the recruitment process, the Supervisory Board has been mindful of this target and, the Board is therefore content to be able to report that it sees great potential in achieving the desired 30% women participation in the coming year.

At the AGM in May 2018, the Supervisory Board's proposal to adjust the remuneration of the Board members, was approved by the shareholders. Per the 1st of July 2018 the remuneration of the Chairman was reduced from EUR 50,000 to EUR 40,000 p.a., and for all other Board members increased from EUR 22,000 to EUR 30,000 p.a. Since the other Board members have accepted a higher work load and therefore responsibility in the work of the Board Committees, a more balanced remuneration between the Chairman and the other Board members is justified.

At the same AGM, the proposal to expand the composition of the Supervisory Board from 5 to max. 6 – 7 members for succession reasons, was approved. As for the attendance of the Supervisory Board meetings, all Board members have attended all the meetings in person or by telephone in 2018, with the exception of one member for one meeting, for which the Chairman was duly empowered to represent the Board member involved.

During 2018, the Supervisory Board engaged into a self-performance review by an outside, independent consultant, CPI. The improvement of the functioning of the Board since its last evaluation 4 years ago, by the same CPI, is very encouraging. The Board's functioning is considered very good. Nevertheless, there is always room for further improvement. The recommendations made, are all in the process of being followed up.

At the end of 2018 the Supervisory Board contacted many of its existing investors again to ask for feedback on the performance of the Fund and the Fund Manager. Your opinion was very positive and quite straightforward; there is unanimous and high appreciation for the quality of the Fund Manager as well as the work of the Fund. Your suggestions for improvement focused on the pricing of local currency and securing capital to allow the Fund to continue its positive growth and impact path.

Finally, we wish to thank the Fund Manager and all the parties and partnerships supporting the Fund Manager for a year in which TCX could significantly increase its development impact on frontier market currency finance and frontier currency market development.

Amsterdam, 4 April 2019

### The Supervisory Board of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V.

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Mr. Marcus Fedder

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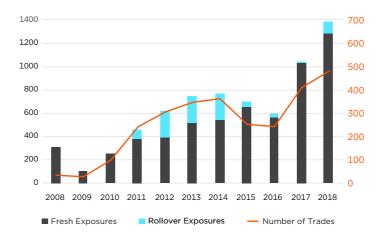
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# **Letter from the Managing Board**

### Results 2018

• The volume of new Primary Investments realized in 2018 totaled USD 1.29 billion (excluding rolled-over trades), an 24% increase compared to 2017. In all, 480 Primary Investment transactions were closed, a 17% increase relative to 2017. This was a record year for TCX despite the significant outflows from the emerging and frontier markets.

### Primary portfolio: production volumes (USD million)



• Including the new production, scheduled maturities, and trade unwinds, the gross notional size of TCX's local currency Primary Investments portfolio grew by 39% in 2018, to USD 2.7 billion. Besides the Primary Investments portfolio, TCX held USD 719 million in Hedging Investments at year-end 2018. The gross notional size of the Derivatives portfolio thus reached USD 3.43 billion in 2018, an increase of 53% over 2017:1

### **Derivatives portfolio**

Investment type (USD millions)	ı	ong local	S	hort local Currency		standings ng+Short)		Exposure ng-Short)
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
Primary	2.325	1.765	378	184	2.703	1.950	1.947	1.581
Trading	5	0	0	0	5	0	5	0
Hedging (LCY:USD)	0	0	430	199	430	199	-430	-199
Total LCY portfolio	2.330	1.765	808	384	3.138	2.149	1.522	1.382
Hedging (EUR:USD)	288	88	0	0	288	88	288	88
Total TCX portfolio	2.618	1.853	808	384	3.426	2.237	1.810	1.470

<sup>1 |</sup> Primary Investments are medium- to long-term local currency swaps and forwards transacted with TCX investors and select third-parties. These investments constitute the bulk of TCX's portfolio of local currency exposures, and may be short or long positions, depending on the counterparties' requirements. For diversification and concentration/risk management purposes, TCX also invests in derivatives with investment banks and professional counterparties. Where the purpose is portfolio diversification, the trades are classified as Trading Investments. Where the purpose is managing concentrations and mismatches in the Primary Investments portfolio, the trades are classified as Hedging Investments.

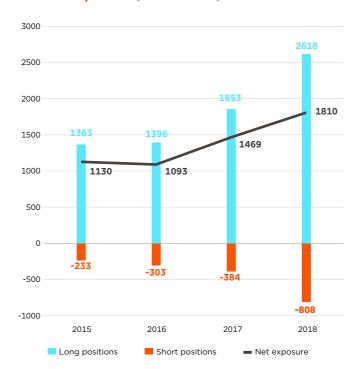
• The historical trend for the gross notional size of the derivatives portfolio (total of the long and short positions) is shown below:

### **Derivatives portfolio: gross outstandings (USD million)**



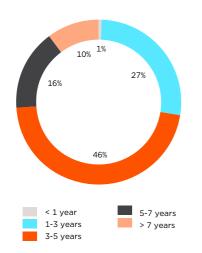
• The net exposure (long positions minus short positions) grew 23% year-on-year, driven by a 41% increase in the notional size of the long book, and a 110% increase in size of the short book. The phenomenal growth of the short book reflects TCX's increasing role as frontier currency market maker, as the fund only onboards the risk of long local currency positions, but increasingly 'sells' these positions to commercial parties. Apart from the market making effect, it allows the fund to offer its' investors more trading capacity for the same amount of capital invested.

#### **Derivatives portfolio: net exposure (USD million)**

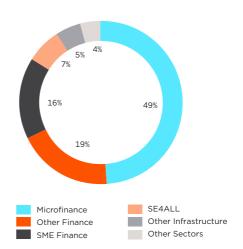


• In 2018, the maturity profile of the portfolio remained stable, 72% of the gross outstandings had an original maturity of 3 or more years, versus 71% in 2017.

# Primary portfolio: original maturity profile (% gross outstandings)



# Primary portfolio: sector diversification (% gross outstandings)



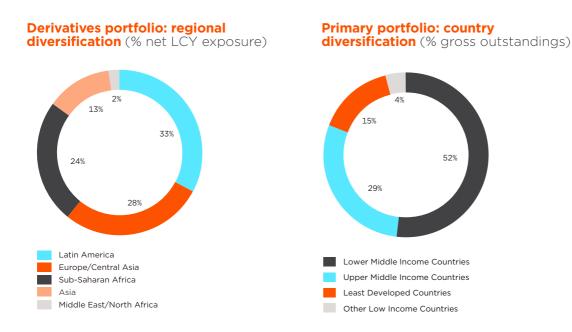
• The decrease in the proportion of the portfolio allocated to the micro- and SME finance sectors (from 70% in 2017, to 65% in 2018) are partly explained by TCX's growing focus on helping its investors penetrate the SE4ALL² and other infrastructure sectors, and hedge their increasingly frequent issuances of local currency bonds:

### **Primary portfolio**

	Local bond issues				infra	Other astructure
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017
Gross outstandings (USD mln)	366	164	181	116	125	140
% of portfolio	14%	8%	7%	6%	5%	7%
Number of deals outstanding	40	22	38	19	8	6



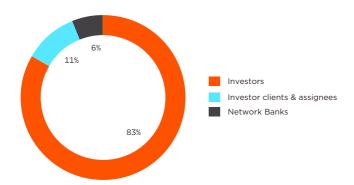
- In 2018, the regional mix of the Derivatives portfolio shifted towards Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa, which together accounted for 57% of the portfolio's net local currency exposure (2017: 52%). Sub-Saharan Africa's share of the net portfolio increased from 21% in 2017 to 24% in 2018, the net exposure in the region grew 23% to USD 367 million.
- In terms of DAC country classification, the proportion of the Primary Investments portfolio allocated to the least developed and lower income countries grew from 63% of the portfolio in 2017, to 71% in 2018:



o Of all primary business, 94% is investor-related. The balance is sourced from international banks and other third-parties. This deal-flow diversifies the currency mix of the portfolio and enhances TCX's development impact, notably by contributing to achieving specific development objectives targeted by the Dutch and German governments as Subordinated Convertible Debt investors in the Fund (e.g., Sub-Saharan Africa, SE4ALL, etc.):

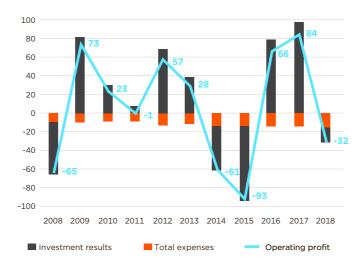
#### Primary portfolio: counterparty types

(% gross outstandings)



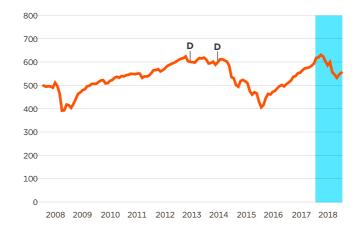
• The net result for 2018 was a loss of USD 32 million, including investment losses of USD 16 million (after FX translation effects), and USD 16 million in operational expenses and financial charges:

#### **Annual results** (USD million)



- The operational expenses increased from USD 9.5 million in 2017 (0.31% of Assets Under Management<sup>3</sup>), to USD 10.9 million in 2018 (0.25% of Assets Under Management), primarily due to higher fees payable to the Fund Manager to support the portfolio's growth.
- As in 2017, the bulk of the financial charges consisted of USD 5 million in 2.5% interest payable on the Subordinated Convertible Debt.
- The investment losses totaled USD 16.1 million (after FX translation results), reflecting the volatile market conditions and currency depreciations that have prevailed in the emerging and frontier markets during the year. The principal reasons that drove the weak performance of the emerging and frontier markets were the trade war between the US and China, the Federal Reserve's rate hikes and worries about slowing global growth. The currencies that contributed the most to the loss of TCX are the Argentine Peso (ARS), the Sri Lankan Rupee (LKR) and Myanmar Kyat (MMK).
- Reflecting the year's results, the Fund's Net Asset Value per share decreased by 6.5% year-on-year, from USD 595,288 per share at year-end 2017, to USD 556,414 per share at year-end 2018:

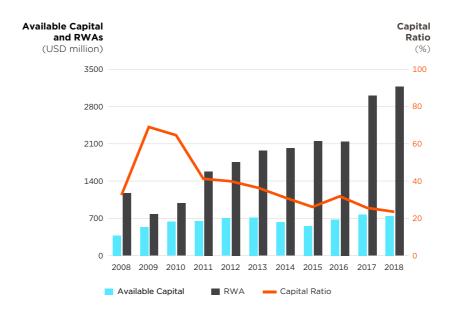
#### Net asset value per share (USD thousands)



<sup>3 |</sup> As defined under the Alternative Investment Fund Management Directive, and essentially equal to the fair market value of TCX's non-derivative assets, plus the gross notional size of the derivatives portfolio. The AUMs at 31 December 2018 totaled USD 4.3 billion (2017: USD 3.1 billion).

• The available capital fell by 3%, from USD 771 million at year-end 2017 to USD 746 million at year-end 2018. The decrease of USD 25 million consisted of (i) the year's loss (USD 32 million), plus (ii) USD 28 million in additional Subordinated Convertible Debt issued in December 2018 to the German Federal Ministry of the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development, less (iii) USD 18 million in A-shares redeemed by the OPEC Fund for International Development in July 2018 (75% of its shareholding), less (iv) USD 3 million of repayment of the first installment of the Subordinated Loan provided by Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). We were particularly happy with the tenor extension of the BMU investment to 2045, reflecting their long term commitment to local currency financing and TCX.

### Capital and risk weighted assets (USD million)



- The capital ratio (available capital to risk weighted assets) fell to 23.5% at year-end 2018, compared to 25.6% in 2017. This decrease was caused by a 3% decrease in the available capital and 6% increase in the Fund's Risk Weighted Assets (to USD 3.2 billion), that was largely driven by the substantial growth of the Derivatives portfolio (in excess of 50%, as shown in the table on page 7).
- Market risks (FX and interest rate risks) accounted for 92.9% of risk weighted assets at year-end 2018 (2017: 93.6%), operational risks 4.7% (2017: 3.5%), and credit risks 2.4% (2017: 2.9%).

### **Other Developments**

• In July 2018, S&P upgraded TCX's issuer rating from A- to A with a stable outlook. The main reasons for the upgrade are the Fund's strong liquidity and adequate capitalization, the implied support of its investors, and the strengthening of the Fund's risk and capital management capabilities.

### **Ongoing Challenges**

- As the fund increasingly operates as a warehouse of currency risk by selling exposure to the market that it onboards when hedging its investors, TCX also becomes more dependent on the appetite for frontier currency risk. We have seen that periods of risk adversity towards frontier markets result in a (temporary) inability for the fund to offset its risk. In these circumstances the capital growth buffer is the only source allowing TCX to book new business.
- In 2018, the continued growth in the Fund's risk weighted assets was reflected in an expected decrease in the capital ratio. This development confirms the need to retain existing capital and attract fresh capital to sustain the Fund's growth, in a context where capital raising transactions have very long-lead times.
- The choice for local currency funding to match assets earning local currency is often based on short-term financial considerations by local managers ("how much will it cost me now?") rather than forward-looking risk management ("how much could I lose later?"). As a result, many clients continue to perceive as attractive the low interest rates prevailing in hard currencies.
- In many economic sectors, TCX faces long-standing structural impediments to realizing its development impact. An example being the energy sector where many of the underlying commercial contracts are denominated in US dollars and the risk is off loaded to the end clients. Penetrating these sectors requires patient work to explain the lenders, borrowers, regulators, and governments involved that local currency arrangements may be better suited.
- As a market risk vehicle, TCX is not in position to absorb a significant amount of the credit and country risks that inevitably arise when investing in emerging and frontier markets. The Fund is dependent, therefore, on the ability and willingness of strong parties to face these risks, either as counterparties to TCX or as guarantors of its exposures.
- TCX's Primary Investments portfolio occasionally achieves peaks in individual and regional currency concentrations due to high demand and growing transactions sizes, particularly in the infrastructure sectors. Notwithstanding the Fund Manager's efforts to place some exposures with market participants, the opportunities to offset these positions remain limited, due to TCX's mandate to be "additional" to the market. Under these circumstances, rationing the available capacity could be required.

We believe that TCX has in place the strategies, capabilities and processes necessary to overcome these challenges, and we look forward to sustaining into the next decade the momentum and achievements of the past few years.

Amsterdam, 4 April 2019

#### The Managing Board of TCX Investment Management Company B.V.

Ruurd Brouwer, Chief Executive Officer Bert van Lier, Chief Investment Officer Brice Ropion, Chief Operating Officer 2• Business Overview

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### **Business Rationale**

Long-term finance in emerging markets is often provided by development banks and other international investors who naturally lend in hard currency. The local borrower, earning local currency, has limited scope to absorb a currency mismatch between income and liabilities, and thus should borrow in local currency. The international investor, however, can usually only provide local currency if it can itself be hedged.

In established markets hedging solutions are readily available, but this is rarely the case in frontier markets. Hedging products are typically provided by banks acting as intermediaries, ultimately placing the risk back into the local capital markets. In frontier markets, however, the ability to absorb these risks is limited. Thus, the intermediary model breaks down.

TCX's unique value proposition is its ability to retain, on its own balance sheet, the currency risks that arise from the hedges it provides to market participants. To operate successfully, TCX does not need a functioning local market. Its risk model is based on the portfolio diversification effect of spreading and absorbing currency risks across all regions. On average, the higher interest rates prevailing in frontier markets more than compensate for the devaluing trend of these currencies, which allows TCX to be modestly profitable over the longer-term. •

### **Business Principles**

- **o Focused products:** TCX only invests in market risk management products such as currency swaps and forwards. It does not provide funding.
- **o Unique risk management structure:** TCX assumes outright currency risks in highly illiquid markets, managing risk through portfolio diversification across all regions and DAC countries in the emerging and frontier markets.
- **o Alignment with shareholders:** By working with it's shareholders, TCX has origination access to their combined client networks and deal flow. TCX tailors its investments for these institutions.
- **Risk-reflective pricing:** TCX invests in products that are priced in accordance with prevailing market rates and established methodologies.
- **o Additionality:** TCX only invests where its counterparties have no adequately priced commercial alternatives.
- Non-speculation: TCX only hedges currency exposures that arise from actual underlying obligations.

### **Products**

**TCX** uses a limited set of derivative products and delivery channels to achieve its **mission.** This allows it to remain focused on its primary objective, which is the facilitation of long-term local currency finance in frontier markets in close alignment with its shareholders.

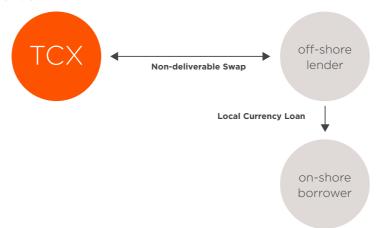
TCX's main investment product is a non-deliverable cross-currency swap, usually matched to the cash-flow of a local currency loan provided by one of its shareholders. The swap ensures that the lender's income is guaranteed in USD or EUR whilst the borrower's obligations are in local currency. A simpler investment product that can achieve similar results is the FX forward, also one of TCX's products.

The cross-currency swap may be provided either to the lender or to the borrower. Hedging the lender results in the investment structure presented in the figure below. The lender provides a local currency loan to the domestic borrower and hedges the associated currency exposure with TCX, so that the combined deal is an asset in the lender's functional currency e.g. the USD.





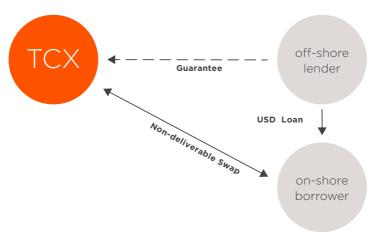
### **Hedging the Lender**



This structure is relatively straightforward from several perspectives. The client interface (and counterparty credit risk management) remains concentrated with the lender and the hedge is not exposed to domestic legal, regulatory or tax constraints.

The hedge may also be provided to the borrower, resulting in the structure presented below. The lender provides a USD loan to the local borrower, who hedges the resulting obligation with TCX. The hedge transforms its hard currency obligation into a local currency liability.

### **Hedging the Borrower**



The direct swap to the local entity allows a greater flexibility in the application of the hedge, since it is decoupled from the loan. The timing, size and tenor of the transaction may be specified to suit the client's needs, as may the details of the hedge terms (the client could decide, for instance, not to include the loan margin in the hedge). The direct swap structure does however require TCX to onboard the local client, address the resulting counterparty risks (via guarantees or other means), and satisfy itself that the local legal, regulatory and tax environment support the required transaction terms. For these reasons, TCX generally prefers dealing directly with lenders.

Please refer to TCX's website, **www.tcxfund.com**, for more details on TCX's investment products and the requirements to trade. •

### Latin America

Antigua and Barbuda Dollar XCD

Argentina Peso ARS

Bolivia Boliviano **BOB** 

Brazil Real BRL

Colombia Peso COP

Costa Rica Colon CRC

Cuba Peso **CUP** 

Dominica Dollar XCD

Dominican Republic Peso DOP

Grenada Dollar **XCD** 

Guatemala Quetzal GTQ

Guyana Dollar **GYD** 

Haiti Gourde **HTG** 

Honduras Lempira **HNL** 

Jamaica Dollar **JMD** 

Mexico Peso **MXN** 

Montserrat Dolla XCD

Nicaragua Cordoba **NIO** 

Paraguay Guarani PYG

Peru Sol PEN

Saint Lucia Dollar XCD

St. Vincent and Grenadines Dollar XCD

Suriname Dollar **SRD** 

# • Sub-Saharan Africa

Angola Kwanza AOA

Benin Franc CFA XOF

Botswana Pula **BWP** 

Burkina Faso Franc CFA **XOF** 

Burundi Franc BIF

Cameroon Franc CFA XAF

Central African Rep. Franc CFA XAF

Chad Franc CFA XAF

Comoros Franc **KMF** 

Côte d'Ivoire Franc CFA XOF

Dem. Rep. of the Congo Franc **CDF** 

Equatorial Guinea Franc CFA XAF

Ethiopia Birr **ETB** 

Gabon Franc CFA XAF

Gambia Dalasi **GMD** 

Ghana Cedi GHS

Guinea Franc GNF

Guinea-Bissau Franc CFA XOF

Kenya Shilling **KES** 

Lesotho Loti LSL

Liberia Dollar LRD

Madagascar Ariary MGA

Malawi Kwacha **MWK** 

Mali Franc CFA XOF

Mauritania Ouguiya MRO

Mozambique Metical **MZN** 

Namibia Dollar **NAD** 

Niger Franc CFA **XOF** 

Nigeria Naira **NGN** 

Rep. of the Congo Franc CFA XAF

Rwanda Franc **RWF** 

Senegal Franc CFA **XOF** 

Sierra Leone Leone SLL

Somalia Shilling SOS

South Africa Rand **ZAR**South Sudan Pound **SSP** 

Sudan Pound **SDG** 

Swaziland Lilangeni **SZL** 

São Tomé and Príncipe Dobra **STD** 

Tanzania Shilling **TZS** 

Togo Franc CFA **XOF** 

Uganda Shilling **UGX** 

Zambia Kwacha **ZMW** 





### • Europe + Central Asia

Albania Lek **ALL** 

Armenia Dram AMD

Azerbaijan Manat **AZN** 

Belarus Ruble **BYN** 

Bosnia and Herzegovina Mark **BAM** 

Georgia Lari **GEL** 

Kazakhstan Tenge **KZT** 

Kyrgyz Republic Som KGS

Macedonia Denar **MKD** 

Moldova Leu **MDL** 

Mongolia Tugrik **MNT** 

Serbia Dinar **RSD** 

Tajikistan Somoni **TJS** 

Turkey Lira TRY

Turkmenistan Manat **TMT** 

Ukraine Hryvnia **UAH** 

Uzbekistan Som **UZS** 

### • Middle East + North Africa

### • Asia

Afghanistan Afghani **AFN** 

Bangladesh Taka **BDT** 

Cambodia Riel KHR

China Renminbi CNY

Fiji Dollar **FJD** 

India Rupee INR

Indonesia Rupiah IDR

Laos Kip LAK

Malaysia Ringgit  $\mathbf{MYR}$ 

Maldives Rufiyaa **MVR** 

Myanmar Kyat MMK

Nepal Rupee **NPR** 

Pakistan Rupee **PKR** 

Papua New Guinea Kina **PGK** 

Philippines Peso **PHP** 

Samoa Tala **WST** 

Solomon Islands Dollar SBD

Sri Lanka Rupee **LKR** 

Thailand Baht **THB** 

Tonga Pa'anga TOP

Vanuatu Vatu **VUV** 

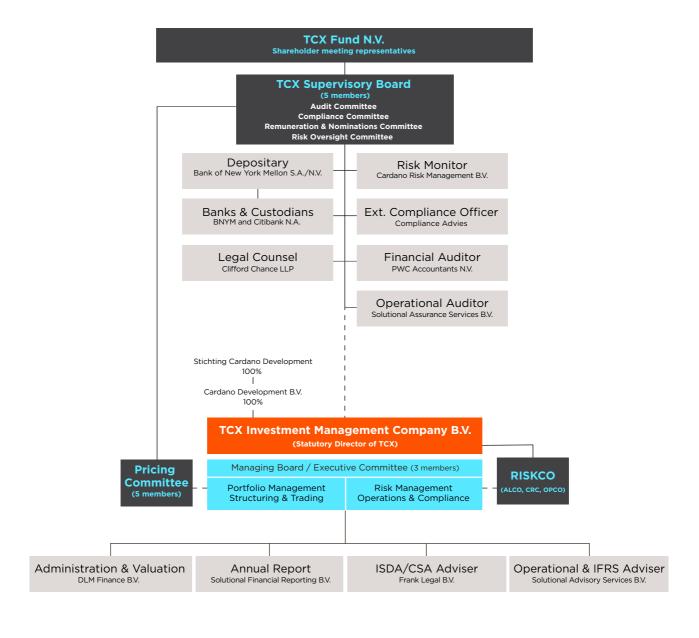
Vietnam Dong VND

Wallis and Futuna CFP Franc XPF



**Governance + Ownership Organizational Chart Fund Management** • Risk Management • **Supervisory Board TCX Investors** 

### **Organizational Chart**



### **Fund Management**

TCX Investment Management Company B.V. (TIM) is TCX's exclusive Fund Manager and the sole member of the Fund's statutory Managing Board. As such, it is responsible for the commercial, operational, compliance and risk management of the Fund, with Mr. Ruurd Brouwer as its Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Bert van Lier as its Chief Investment Officer and Mr. Brice Ropion as its Chief Operating Officer and head of its risk, finance, and compliance functions.

TIM is 100% owned by Cardano Development B.V., which itself is 100% owned by Stichting Cardano Development, a stand-alone tax-exempt not-for-profit foundation that has no ultimate beneficial owner under the relevant laws of The Netherlands.

TIM employed 20 staff members at year-end 2018. Details on the team's remuneration may be found in Note 9 of the Financial Statements.

TIM is supported by several delegates and other parties in the management of the Fund. These parties include:

- o The Fund's Risk Monitor, Cardano Risk Management B.V., a 100% subsidiary of Cardano Holding B.V., responsible for quantifying, monitoring, and reporting the Fund's risk exposures and capital ratios, and providing pricing, valuation and risk advisory and operational control services to the Fund;
- **o The Fund's Administrator and Valuer, DLM Finance B.V.,** a company established and owned by former TIM employees, responsible for booking, settling, valuing, and reporting the Fund's positions, and preparing the Fund's accounts and NAV statements;
- **o Bank of New York Mellon N.V., the Fund's Global Custodian and Depositary.** As Depositary, BNYM is responsible for monitoring the Fund's share transactions, safekeeping its assets, reconciling its cash flows, and confirming that its valuation policies and processes are being properly adhered to; and
- **o Compliance Advies, the Fund's External Compliance Officer,** responsible for supporting TIM's Internal Compliance Officer on regulatory matters, and for performing an independent whistle-blowing role on code of conduct and conflict of interest incidents.

TIM is a licensed Alternative Investment Fund Manager ("AIFM") that is subject to Directive 2011/61/EU (the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive or "AIFMD") as implemented in the Dutch Financial Markets Supervision Act (Wet op het financiael toezicht or "Wft"). The license has no time limits and is restricted to managing TCX only, for the benefit of professional investors only. The supervisory authorities are the Financial Markets Authority of The Netherlands with respect to conduct of business, and the Central Bank of The Netherlands with respect to the prudential rules that apply to AIFMs. •

<sup>4 |</sup> Cardano Holding B.V. and Cardano Risk Management B.V. are unrelated to Stichting Cardano Development and Cardano Development B.V. (TIM's owners), except that (i) the chairman of the Board of Stichting Cardano Development is also the co-CEO and a minority owner of Cardano Holding B.V., and (ii) there is a financial relationship between Cardano Holding B.V. (as lender) and Stichting Cardano Development (as borrower).

### **Risk Management**

For integrated risk management purposes, TIM's Managing Board appoints each year the members of three committees that together constitute the Risk Management Committee of the Fund (a.k.a. RISKCO). These committees are the Asset & Liability Management Committee (ALCO), the Counterparty Risk Management Committee (CRC), and the Operations Committee (OPCO).

RISKCO manages, monitors and reports on all risk issues impacting TCX, and either sets or proposes (to the TCX Supervisory Board) policies and guidelines in the areas of balance-sheet management, capital allocation, financial performance, and operational risk and control. It also decides on all counterparty risk matters, including KYC/AML and credit decisions.

Apart from members of the Managing Board and TIM staff members, RISKCO's voting members include representatives of the Risk Monitor and the Administrator, plus an independent member. During 2018, the independent risk management professional received an annual remuneration of EUR 20,000 (excluding VAT). Other members were not separately remunerated for their services on RISKCO.

Each member of RISKCO has a right of appeal to the Fund's Supervisory Board in case of disagreement with the committees' majority decisions. This important aspect of the Fund's governance structure is designed to uphold the parties' statutory and/or contractual obligations to protect at all times the interest of the investors in the Fund.

# **Supervisory Board**

The Fund's management is supervised by the TCX Supervisory Board, which is responsible for oversight and governance of the Fund's policies and strategy.<sup>5</sup>

Supervisory Board members are appointed by the General Meeting by simple majority vote for a renewable period of 4 years and receive an annual remuneration of EUR 30,000 (excluding VAT), except for the Chairman who receives EUR 40,000 (excluding VAT).

Of the five current members, two are related to substantial investors in the Fund: one as a board member and one as a senior executive of a sister company of the investor. Three members are independent, including the Chairman.

Supervisory Board meetings are attended by the members in person or by phone, and by the Managing Board and the Risk Monitor. Each meeting covers, inter-alia, a business and risk performance update regarding the Fund's portfolio. The Supervisory Board also debates and provides management guidance on all material issues regarding the Fund's business strategy, policies, product and market development, compliance, and governance. All matters presented to the Fund's investors are pre-discussed and approved by the Supervisory Board.

<sup>5 |</sup> Given the powers of the TCX Supervisory Board as desired by TCX's investors, the Financial Markets Authority of The Netherlands holds the TCX Supervisory Board jointly and severally responsible with the TIM Managing Board for regulatory compliance by the Fund Manager.

The Supervisory Board has appointed four sub-committees to help it discharge its oversight functions: an Audit Committee, a Compliance Committee, a Remunerations & Nominations Committee, and a Risk Oversight Committee. These committees operate pursuant to terms of reference determined by the Supervisory Board and the Fund's code of conduct, in line with the rules and regulations of the Dutch corporate governance code. The Supervisory Board meets regularly with these committees, and uses a standardized agenda that allows the committee members to bring matters within their remit to the immediate attention of the Supervisory Board, without holding separate meetings.

- **o The Audit Committee** assists the Supervisory Board on the Fund's valuations, controls, and financial reporting. Members of the Audit Committee are not separately remunerated for their work on the committee.
- **o The Compliance Committee** discusses and approves the regular reports of TCX's External Compliance Officer and generally considers and advises the Supervisory Board on compliance issues arising from time to time. Members of the Compliance Committee are not separately remunerated for their work on the committee.
- The Remuneration and Nominations Committee provides the Supervisory Board with non-binding advice regarding the variable Performance Fee payable to the Fund Manager<sup>6</sup>, as well as other specific advice requested by the Supervisory Board from time to time, including the nomination of candidates to become Supervisory Board members, as part of the Board's succession planning. Members of the Remuneration Committee are not separately remunerated for their work on the committee.
- **o The Risk Oversight Committee** was appointed by the Supervisory Board effective 1 January 2018 to oversee the day-to-day risk management activities of RISKCO and advise and otherwise assist the Supervisory Board in ensuring sound integrated risk management. Members of the Risk Oversight Committee are not separately remunerated for their work on the committee.

The Supervisory Board also appoints and oversees a Pricing Committee:

• The Pricing Committee is a unique feature of the TCX governance model, consisting of 5 independent professionals chosen for their expertise in derivative pricing in emerging markets. All pricing methodologies are approved by this committee, ensuring best-practice application of market-based risk-reflective pricing methods to all primary transactions. All members are remunerated by way of an annual lump sum of EUR 30,000 (excluding VAT), except for the Chairman who receives EUR 45,000 (excluding VAT).

Membership of the various committees is provided at the end of this Annual Report.

<sup>6 |</sup> The variable Performance Fee payable to the Fund Manager depends on scores given by the Supervisory Board for Management Quality (25%), Developmental Impact (25%), Capital Management (25%), and NAV Progression (25%), with the Supervisory Board reserving the right to disregard any pre-agreed criteria when deciding the final score. For 2018, the resulting Performance Factor was 1.5 on a scale of 0 to 1.6 (2017: 1.35). This variable Performance Factor affects both the bonus pool payable to TIM's employees (which is tied to the salary mass), and the profits accruing to TIM's owner, Cardano Development B.V. (which are tied to a fixed USD amount that is indexed to US inflation).

### **TCX Investors**

















































### IMPORTANT NOTICE UNDER THE LAWS OF THE EU

Interests in TCX can only be acquired by entities who qualify as Professional Investors within the meaning of article 4:1 of Directive 2011/61/EU (the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive), as implemented in the Financial Markets Supervision Act (Wet of het financieël toezicht) of The Netherlands.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE UNDER THE LAWS OF THE USA

Interests in TCX have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and can only be acquired by persons outside of the United States and may not be offered or sold in the United States or to or for the benefit of U.S. persons.

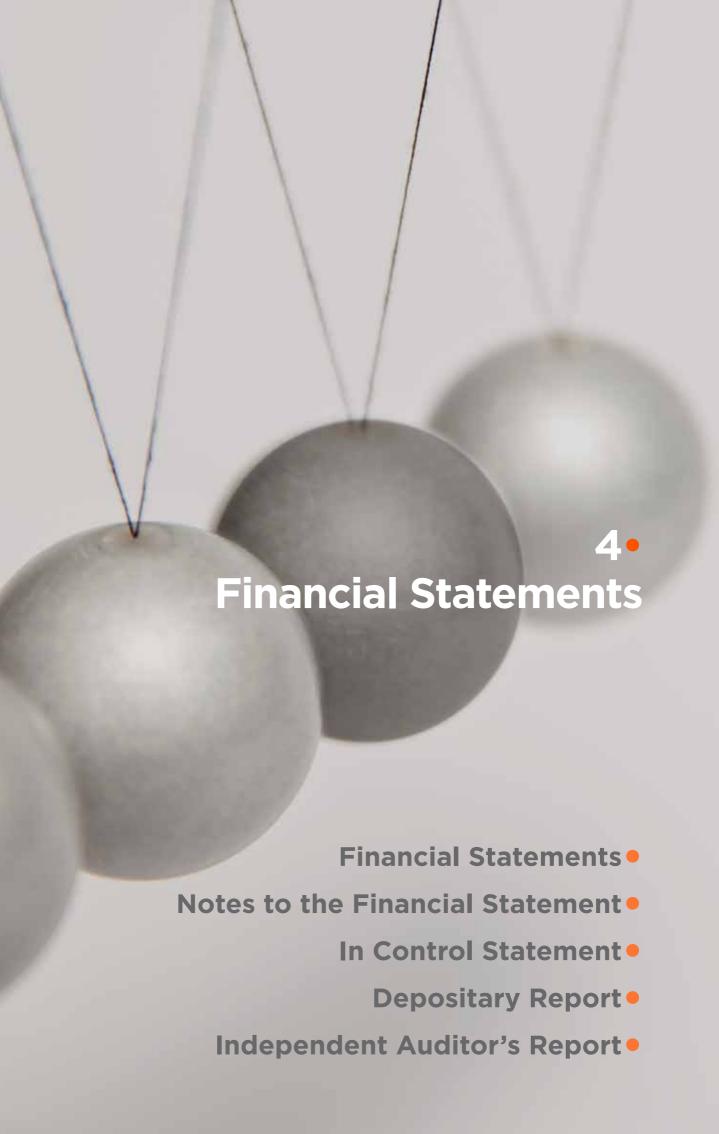
# **TCX Investors**

As of 31 December 2018

As of 31 December 2018				
Name of Investor	A- Shares held	As % of Shares held	Issuance Value (USD)	As % of Investors
Kreditanstalt für Wiederafbau (KfW) (*)	140	15,3%	71.829.387	10,0%
European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)	140	15,3%	71.002.485	9,9%
Nederlandse Financieringsmaatschappij voor Ontwikkelingslanden N.V. (FMO) (**)	140	15,3%	70.000.000	9,8%
The European Investment Bank (EIB)	94	10,3%	45.372.725	6,3%
Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)	84	9,2%	49.969.283	7,0%
Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD)	80	8,8%	40.592.702	5,7%
International Finance Corporation (IFC)	50	5,5%	29.712.897	4,1%
African Development Bank (AfDB) (**)	49	5,4%	24.736.664	3,4%
Development Bank of Southern Africa Ltd. (DBSA)	40	4,4%	20.000.000	2,8%
Belgian Investment Company for Developing Countries SA/NV (BIO)	20	2,2%	10.000.000	1,4%
MFX Solutions LLC	14	1,5%	7.596.148	1,1%
Promotion et Partipication pour la Cooperation Economique (PROPARCO)	10	1,1%	5.074.088	0,7%
European Fund for Southeast Europe (EFSE)	10	1,1%	5.048.299	0,7%
Compania Espanola de Financiacion del Desarrollo S.A. (COFIDES)	10	1,1%	5.000.000	0,7%
Ecumenical Development Cooperative Society U.A. (OIKOCREDIT) (**)	10	1,1%	5.000.000	0,7%
OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID)	10	1,1%	4.945.084	0,7%
ASN Microcredit Fund and Oxfam/Novib Fund (***)	5	0,5%	2.524.149	0,4%
Blue Orchard Microfinance Fund (BOMF)	4	0,4%	2.435.013	0,3%
Grameen Credit Agricole Microfinance Foundation (GCAMF) (***)	4	0,4%	2.395.146	0,3%
Total Shareholders Equity Paid in	914	100,0%	473.234.069	66,0%
Subordinated Loans Disbursed (Tier 2 capital)				
IADB			16.666.667	2,3%
Subordinated Convertible Loans Disbursed (tier 1 capital)				
Netherlands Minister for Development Cooperation			70.617.623	9,8%
KfW on behalf of the German Government (BMZ) (**)			58.155.830	8,1%
KfW on behalf of the German Government (BMZ)			32.391.075	4,5%
KfW on behalf of the German Government (BMU)			55.413.460	7,7%
Total Subordinated Convertible Debt			216.577.988	30,2%
First Loss Loan Disbursed (tier 1 capital)				
Netherlands Minister for Development Cooperation			10.900.830	1,5%
Total Disbursed Capital			717.379.554	100,0%
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<sup>\*</sup> KFW Issuance Value was updated to reflect the repurchase and re-issuance of 80 shares on 7 May 2014. Therefore, we made a correction of USD 1,829,387
\*\* Investments through TCX Mauritius Ltd. (AfDB 49 shares; FMO 49 shares; Oikocredit: 10 shares)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Investment through Oikocredit



# Statement of financial position (as at 31 December)

(all amounts in thousand USD)	Notes	2018	2017
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	40,783	73,277
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	847,800	790,373
Cash collateral given	7	99,162	43,605
Other receivables	8	757	2,299
Total assets		988,502	909,554
Liabilities			
Cash collateral received	7	18,180	18,475
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	11	209,490	102,213
Accrued expenses and other payables	12	3,312	2,823
Subsidies granted by third-parties	13	-	1,197
Deferred subsidy income	14	4,527	7,135
Subordinated loan	15	16,952	20,162
Subordinated convertible debt	16	162,241	142,437
Grants linked to the subordinated convertible debt	16	54,337	45,831
First loss loan	17	6,780	6,192
Grants linked to the First loss loan	17	4,121	4,709
Total liabilities (excluding Class A shares)		479,940	351,174
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares Class A	18	508,562	558,380
Total liabilities		988,502	909,554

# **Statement of comprehensive income**

(for the year ended 31 December)

(all amounts in thousand USD)	Notes	2018	2017
Investment result			
Net result on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	19	(29,815)	81,687
Provision for credit losses on Primary book		(66)	1,128
Interest income	21	12,098	7,011
Realised grant interest income	14	3,805	1,593
		(13,978)	91,419
Other results			
Contributions to Donors Assets	12	(4,979)	(4,311)
Foreign currency translation	20	(2,143)	6,140
Interest expense		(123)	(72)
Other results		89	47
		(7,156)	1,804
Operational expenses			
Management fee	9	(6,254)	(5,544)
Performance fee	9	(1,576)	(1,217)
Governance expenses	9	(358)	(332)
Risk monitoring fee	10	(1,237)	(1,196)
Audit fees	10	(451)	(296)
Depositary fees	10	(150)	(162)
Other general expenses	22	(865)	(801)
		(10,891)	(9,548)
Operating income		(32,025)	83,675
Distribution to holders of redeemable shares Class A	18	-	-
Change in net assets resulting from operations attributable to holders of redeemable shares Class A		(32,025)	83,675

### Statement of cash flows (for the year ended 31 December)

(all amounts in thousand USD)	Notes	2018	2017
Cash flow from operating activities			
Net receipts from Primary, Trading and Hedging financial instruments at	FVtPL	69,765	30,346
Net payment for Debt instruments at FVtPL		(49,730)	(24,744)
Interest received		13,687	6,683
Risk monitoring fee paid		(1,237)	(1,196)
Management fee paid		(6,381)	(5,614)
Performance fee paid		(1,525)	(945)
Audit fees paid		(414)	(372)
Governance expenses paid		(358)	(332)
Depositary fees paid		(150)	(162)
Cash collateral received		(55,852)	22,047
Transfers of Donor Assets		(4,364)	(3,684)
Other general expenses paid		(976)	(1,160)
Net cash flow generated from (used in) operating activities		(37,535)	20,867
Cash flow from financing activities			
Payments for redemption of redeemable shares Class A	18	(17,793)	(21,586)
Proceeds from Subordinated Convertible Debt	16	28,310	26,729
Proceeds from subsidies granted		-	4,925
Repayments of subordinated loan	15	(3,333)	-
Net cash flow generated from (used in) financing activities		7,184	10,068
Net cash flow generated during the year		(30,351)	30,935
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		73,277	36,202
Foreign currency translation of cash positions		(2,143)	6,140
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	5	40,783	73,277
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash at Citibank		32,980	48,139
Cash at BNY Mellon		7,803	25,138
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	5	40,783	73,277

# Statement of changes in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares Class A

The movements in shares Class A are as follows:

(for the year ended 31 December)

			Amounts	Numbei	of shares
(all amounts in thousand USD)	Notes	2018	2017	2018	2017
Net assets at beginning of year		558,380	496,291	938	978
Issuance of shares		(124)	-	6	-
Redemption of shares		(17,669)	(21,586)	(30)	(40)
Net change from transactions with shareholders		(17,793)	(21,586)	(24)	(40)
Change in net assets from operations		(32,025)	83,675		
Net assets at end of the year Class A	18	508,562	558,380	914	938

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

### Notes to the financial statements

#### 1. General information

The Currency Exchange Fund N.V. ("TCX" or "the Fund") is a public limited liability company incorporated and existing under the laws of The Netherlands, Chamber of Commerce number 34277912. The Fund was established in September 2007 and started commercial operations in January 2008.

The Fund's objective is to invest, along commercially sound principles, in long-term emerging-market currency and interest rate derivatives, with the purpose of developing local currency funding options, predominantly for its investors and their clients. TCX's counterparties utilize the products offered in the mitigation of currency and interest rate mismatches.

### 2. Events after the reporting period

In January 2019, S&P reconfirmed TCX' issuer rating at A with a stable outlook.

### 3. Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union (EU), Part 9 of Book 2 of The Netherlands Civil Code and the Dutch Act on Financial Supervision. Refer to Note 28 and 29 for a further explanation of significant accounting policies, estimates and judgments.

The financial statements were authorized for issue by the Managing Board on 4 April 2019.

### 4. Financial risk management

#### **Investment objective**

The Fund is an innovative and unique capital markets development initiative, focusing entirely on long-term local currency and interest rate derivatives in frontier and emerging market currencies. It presents a compelling investment opportunity for parties with a keen interest in the sustainable development of capital markets in developing countries. By investing in currency and interest rate derivatives, the Fund facilitates the provision of local currency funding to borrowers in developing countries.

Classical providers of currency and interest rate hedging in international financial markets typically operate on a matched book principle, which generally limits them to offering products for which there is a matched and liquid demand and supply. This model breaks down in most developing countries, where demand for long-term local currency exposure is illiquid or even inexistent. As a result, these products are not offered or are offered at pre-emptively high rates.

TCX is based on a fundamentally different concept, which is to assume unmatched exposures mitigated through portfolio diversification on a global scale, rather than by matching supply and demand on a currency by currency basis. This allows TCX to absorb currency and interest rate risks in highly illiquid currencies and maturities regardless of external demand.

Given that the key to this strategy is a wide diversification of risks, there are compelling mutual benefits for investors to pool their local currency activities and exposures, thereby achieving a more complete risk spreading and efficiencies of scale and scope.

#### **Investment policy**

TCX exclusively focuses on cross-currency interest rate swaps and forwards, risk-managed through internal portfolio diversification and hedging. The maximum tenor for individual currencies is set by the Pricing Committee.

The Fund's transactions are mostly invested through or with its investors, which have established local networks in emerging markets. TCX has agreed a preferential access to its transaction capacity with its investors, but it may also trade with non-investor counterparties, notably the clients and assignees of the investors or unrelated parties.

#### **Investment process**

Sound capital and risk management is essential to TCX, for it is the rationale behind its business model and critical to maintaining its credit rating. TCX has a credit rating of A that is underpinned by a sizeable capital pool and strict limits on the type and amount of risks that the Fund is allowed to take on. Together with the Fund's Risk Monitor, TCX Investment Management Company B.V. ("TIM") monitors the portfolio on a daily basis, and produces weekly reports to confirm the Fund's compliance with agreed risk limits and capital ratios.

To calculate the capital requirements, TCX uses models similar and inspired to the Basel regulatory capital framework for banks, adjusted for the activities and business of TCX (no specific regulatory capital regime applies to TCX). This customized framework is detailed in the Fund's Risk Charter. The calculation methods generally follow the Basel internal model approach, unless lack of market data prevents this or unless specific reasons exist to depart from this model due to the nature of TCX's business. Where market data is not available, required capital is calculated based on stress scenarios, in conformity with market practice when dealing with statistical uncertainties.

TCX's primary risk mitigating instrument is exposure diversification, whereby the portfolio is spread over a large number of currencies and interest rates, and strict limits are in place to ensure that the portfolio does not become overly concentrated per counterparty, currency, and region. Other active risk mitigating measures include the (partial) hedging of exposures through the derivative markets.

TCX has two stop-loss triggers: one requiring the Fund Manager to operate more prudently in its assumption of risk and to redress its capital ratios in a going-concern manner, the other triggering cessation of investment activities and ultimately, if desired by the investors, a managed liquidation of the portfolio (the "Liquidation Trigger Event", as specified in the Investors Agreement).

TCX's risk management is based on the Risk Charter approved by the Investors. The Risk Charter contains, amongst others:

- o a description of the risks TCX assumes in its business;
- the policies and procedures concerning risk management;
- the applicable limit structure and investment restrictions.

#### **Risk analysis**

The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. These are discussed below.

#### Market risk

The most important risk that TCX is exposed to is market risk, constituting 93% (2017: 94%) of the Fund's Risk Weighted Assets. TCX defines market risk as the risk of fluctuation in the valuation of its financial instruments caused by adverse market movements and market illiquidity.

The Fund's financial instruments consisted of the following groups at year end:

(all amounts in thousand USD)		2018		2017
	Fair Value in USD	% of NAV	Fair Value in USD	% of NAV
Cross currency swaps	(143,776)	(28.3)	(29,553)	(5.3)
Forwards	4,253	0.8	(9,942)	(1.8)
Commercial papers	336,697	66.2	429,995	77.0
Floating rate notes	321,044	63.1	271,043	48.5
Fixed rate bonds	110,127	21.7	16,643	3.0
Frontier Clearing Fund Junior	9,965	2.0	9,974	1.8
Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	638,310	125.5	688,160	123.2
Cash collateral given	99,162	19.5	43,605	7.8
Cash collateral received	(18,180)	(3.6)	(18,475)	(3.3)
Cash and cash equivalents	40,783	8.0	73,277	13.2
Subsidies granted by third-parties	-	-	(1,197)	(0.2)
Deferred subsidy income	(4,527)	(0.9)	(7,135)	(1.3)
Other	(2,555)	(0.5)	(524)	(0.1)
Subordinated loan	(16,952)	(3.3)	(20,162)	(3.6)
Subordinated convertible debt	(162,241)	(31.9)	(142,437)	(25.5)
Grants linked to the subordinated convertible debt	(54,337)	(10.7)	(45,831)	(8.2)
First loss loan	(10,901)	(2.1)	(10,901)	(2.0)
Net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares Class A	508,562	100.0	558,380	100.0

TCX is subject to market risk on these financial instruments by taking on interest rate and currency risks in its transactions. This market risk is managed in separated risk books. This methodology allows segregating risk measurement techniques depending on the depth and quality of available market data. The more extensive the available data, the more sophisticated the measurement technique available.

TCX's market risks are managed in four books:

- 1. currency exchange rate risks;
- 2. interest rate risk in mature markets;
- 3. interest rate risks in frontier and emerging markets;
- 4. spread risk between local benchmark and non-deliverable forward ("NDF") rates.

The book structure is built using well-established transfer pricing techniques. Any TCX transaction can give rise to different entries in each of the four risk books. The different risk books are aggregated into a combined risk model. Whereas sufficient market data is available for currency risks (Book 1) and interest rate risk in mature markets (Book 2) to support statistical methods, historical data for local emerging market interest rates (Book 3) and spread risk between local benchmark and NDF rates (Book 4) are insufficiently available for these methods and therefore these risks are assessed using stress testing.

The risk measurement horizon for all books is one month, and results are annualized using the usual calibration multiples in accordance with the Basel guidelines.

The market risk of TCX is measured and monitored using four major methods:

- Expected Tail Loss ("ETL");
- Value at Risk ("VaR");
- Stress testing;
- Monitoring of exposures against strict concentration limits.

<sup>1 |</sup> The NDF spread that TCX applies refers to the spread risk between domestic and international interest rates over the life of the swap. The spread applies because TCX prices its non-deliverable swaps off local onshore benchmarks (e.g. a Treasury bill rate), which do not incorporate the country risk, liquidity risk, and other risk premiums required by offshore investors.

**Expected Tail Loss and Value at Risk:** The ETL and VaR methods are useful when sufficient observable data is available to estimate extreme events. Both are internationally accepted risk measures that are recognized for reporting market risk to national supervisory authorities and are used for performance measurement and asset-liability management, among other purposes.

ETL and VaR measures incorporate three parameters:

- Confidence level;
- O Holding or unwinding period;
- Information period.

The ETL method is applied to TCX's FX risk book (Book 1). For this book, the ETL is based on the average of the 1% worst (tail) events observed over all one-month periods since January 1996. This approach is used because the 99% confidence level lies somewhere between the second and third worst months, and the intervals between the points in the tail are large enough that intervening points could lead to substantial jumps in the measure. Thus, the averaging method is recommended to stabilize the risk measure while doing justice to the full size of the tail.

The VaR method is applied to TCX's established market interest rate book (Book 2) where historical data is abundant enough to estimate the impact of extreme events through historical simulation using monthly historical price changes since January 1996. This approach yields a distribution of changes in values, with the VaR determined at the 99% confidence level.

For the purpose of these financial statement disclosures, it is important to note that there are well known limitations to using history based VaR or ETL:

- The data provided reflects positions as at year-end that do not necessarily reflect the risk positions held at other moments in time. As disclosed in the chapter "Investment Processes", the Risk Monitor quantifies and monitors the exposures of the Fund on a daily basis;
- The VaR and ETL are statistical methods based on a distribution from historical observations.
   Therefore, it is possible that there could be, in any future period, an observation of a higher loss.

Stress testing: There is no objective justification to assume that historic returns are exemplary for worst case scenarios in the future, especially in the case of emerging markets where unprecedented events are even more likely. Therefore, stress tests are performed on most relevant variables for the TCX portfolio, notably currency and interest rates. Stress testing involves the modeling of unprecedented events and therefore market movements beyond historically observed shocks. The purpose of stress testing is to create awareness of the consolidated event sensitivity of TCX's position, and to set limits at portfolio level (stress testing is not meant for limit setting purposes on a book-by-book basis). In the risk management of TCX, three types of stress tests are used:

- Combination of historical stress tests;
- Macroeconomic scenarios (commodity prices, global melt down);
- Sensitivity analyses.

Stress testing is in particular applied to calculating the value at risk in TCX's local currency interest rate book (Book 3) and TCX's use of NDF spreads (Book 4), since historical data is insufficiently available to estimate the value at risk in these books.

At 31 December 2018, taking the foregoing methodologies into account, the Fund had an aggregate value at risk for market related factors (by convention, its market VaR) of USD 67.4 million (2017: USD 64.3 million), consisting of the following:

(all amounts in USD millions)	2018	2017
Foreign currency exchange risk (Book 1)	42.5	40.0
Interest rate risk mature market (Book 2)	4.5	4.8
Interest rate risk emerging markets (Book 3)	19.9	19.7
NDF (Non-Deliverable Forward) spread (Book 4)	2.3	1.6
Adjustment for cross-effects	(1.8)	(1.8)
Total	67.4	64.3

The increase in market VaR can be explained by the growth of the portfolio and changes in relative concentrations in the portfolio.

Currency concentration limits: a fundamental premise of TCX is that geographic diversification reduces currency and interest rate risks at portfolio level. This diversification effect can only be achieved when TCX avoids over-exposure in any one currency or region. To prevent this, concentration limits are set on the notional of the contracts for each currency, set relative to (a) TCX's Tier 1 + Tier 2 capital levels, (b) its total portfolio size, and (c) an absolute number as defined by the size and liquidity of the currency market. The maximum net amount invested in a country or currency is the lesser of:

- o 25% of total capital (including share capital, retained earnings and Tier 2 capital); and
- 10% of the aggregate FX exposures in DAC currencies of the (fictitious) portfolio where TCX would have zero growth buffer (i.e., 10% of "potential maximum net portfolio").

All limits are subject to periodic review.

Deductions from the gross exposure amount (netting)<sup>2</sup> is equal to 100% of the nominal amount of a related hedge<sup>3</sup> if the following conditions are met:

- the portion of the exposure maturing prior to the hedge is at least equal to 80% of the maturing principal of the hedge<sup>4</sup>;
- there are no cross-border risks between the hedged exposure and the hedge;
- the counterparty of the hedge has a minimum rating of BBB and the transaction is appropriately collateralized, taking into account wrong-way risks if any in the determination of key counterparty credit terms such as frequency of valuation, independent amount and minimum transfer amount;
- TCX's gross currency exposure (before netting deductions) may not exceed 40% of total capital.

In case a hedging investment does not meet these criteria, no deductions to the exposure amounts are allowed unless approved by RISKCO on a case by case basis.

The application of the currency concentration limit as provided above means that on 31 December 2018 each individual currency has a notional limit of USD 178.4 million (2017: USD 139.1 million). The Fund's largest exposures per currency compared to this limit (net of offsetting hedging transactions) are as follows:

	% of limit 31 December 2018	% of limit 31 December 2017
Dominican Republic Peso	56.9	49.5
Georgian Lari	55.8	71.7
West African CFA franc	52.9	59.1
Costa Rican colon	42.2	56.6
Argentine Pesos	34.4	39.1

Regional concentration limits: the diversification over the regions is enforced through limits for maximum regional exposures. Regional limits are determined depending on the possibilities to diversify within the region. The table below shows the concentration limits per region calculated based on notional amounts per region divided by the total portfolio notional amount (net of hedging transactions):

	Maximum regional concentrations	Actual concentrations 31 December 2018	Actual concentrations 31 December 2017
Latin America	40%	33%	31%
Emerging Europe / Central Asia	40%	28%	28%
Sub-Sahara Africa	50%	24%	21%
Asia	40%	13%	16%
Middle East / North Africa	30%	2%	4%

<sup>2 |</sup> The nominal exposure relief of a hedge is applied for the term of the hedged exposure only.

<sup>3 |</sup> Transactions qualify as a hedge only if they are in the same local currency as the hedged exposure. The use of proxy hedging for concentration or market risk capital relief is explicitly ruled out.

<sup>4 |</sup> In case the hedge does not have a bullet profile, this test will apply to each amortization in the hedge.

<u>Hedging:</u> Hedging is defined as short or long cross-currency derivatives entered into for concentration and balance sheet management purposes. The Fund has the following hedging transactions as at 31 December:

Azerbaijani Manat Colombian Peso 1,483 15,511 - Costa Rican Colon 286 19,000 339 15,000 Georgian Lari 102 121,854 89 8,228 Ghanaian Cedi (8) 2,002 - Indicine Rupee 137 19,500 1- Indicine Rupee 138 138,003 11,057 11,000 Jordanian Dinar (344) 10,039 1742 10,035 Jordanian Dinar (348) 17,862 (17) 1,200 Kenyan Shilling (458) 14,500 (19) 90 Kazakhstani Tenge 449 20,280 11,085 8,344 Kyrgyzstani Som 41 7,425 (251) 3,500 Malawidan Kwacha 29 2,471 (91) 488 Peruvian Nuevo So 1,267 7,34,511 - Perliippine Peso (17) 1,500 (26) 1,466 Pakistan Rupee 604 6,010 128 3,055 Thai Baht (57) 3,000 - 17aijkistan Somoni (222) 7,201 3 500 Tunisian Dinar (354) 6,500 - 17airanian Shilling (354) 6,500 - 17urguayan Peso (3,544) 37,656 - 17urguayan	(all amounts in thousand USD)	Fair value 2018	Notional value 2018	Fair value 2017	Notional value 2017
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Georgian Lari         12         21,854         89         8,226           Ghanaian Cedi         (8)         2,002         -         -           Indonesian Rupiah         137         19,500         -         -           Indian Rupee         13         38,503         (1,057)         21,846           Jamaican Dollar         (344)         10,039         (742)         10,038           Jordanian Dinar         (438)         17,862         (17)         1,200           Keryan Shilling         (458)         14,500         (19)         900           Kazakhstani Tenge         449         20,280         (1,058)         8,148           Kyrgyzstani Som         41         7,425         (251)         3,500           Malawian Kwacha         29         2,471         (91)         448           Peruvian Nuevo So         1,267         34,511         -         -           Philippine Peso         (17)         1,500         (26)         1,462           Philippine Peso         (17)         1,500         (26)         1,462           Tajikistan Somoni         (222)         7,201         3         500           Tajikistan Somoni         (313         <	Costa Rican Colon	286	19,000	339	15,000
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Jordanian Dinar   (438)   17,862   (17)   1,200	Indian Rupee	13	38,503	(1,057)	21,846
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Malawian Kwacha       29       2,471       (91)       448         Peruvian Nuevo So       I,267       34,511       -       -         Philippine Peso       (17)       1,500       (26)       1,464         Pakistan Rupee       604       6,010       128       3,055         Thai Baht       (57)       3,000       -       -         Tajikistan Somoni       (222)       7,201       3       500         Tanzanian Shilling       (58)       5,000       -       -         Tunisian Dinar       -       (148)       3,000         Ukrainian Hryvnia       (311)       21,433       159       5,000         Uruguayan Peso       (3,544)       37,656       -       -         Uzuguayan Peso       (3,544)       5,000       (82)       1,102	Kazakhstani Tenge	449	20,280	(1,058)	8,148
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Philippine Peso   (17)	Malawian Kwacha	29	2,471	(91)	448
Pakistan Rupee         604         6,010         128         3,055           Thai Baht         (57)         3,000         -         -           Tajikistan Somoni         (222)         7,201         3         500           Tanzanian Shilling         (58)         5,000         -         -           Tunisian Dinar         -         (148)         3,000           Ukrainian Hryvnia         (311)         21,433         159         5,000           Ugandan Shilling         (354)         6,500         -         -           Uruguayan Peso         (3,544)         37,656         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -	Peruvian Nuevo So	1,267	34,511	-	-
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Tanzanian Shilling (58) 5,000 - (148) 3,000   Tunisian Dinar	Thai Baht	(57)	3,000	-	-
Tunisian Dinar	Tajikistan Somoni	(222)	7,201	3	500
Ukrainian Hryvnia       (311)       21,433       159       5,000         Ugandan Shilling       (354)       6,500       -         Uruguayan Peso       (3,544)       37,656       -         Uzbekistani Som       (6)       5,000       (3,552)       12,656         West Africa Franc       (40)       1,102       -         South African Rand       104       5,000       (82)       1,102         Zambian Kwacha       (2,620)       2,500       (13,203)       13,000         Short EUR         Argentine Peso       2,316       5,074       -       -         Colombian Peso       72       2,805       -       -         Ghanaian Cedi       (108)       1,867       195       3,046         Indian Rupee       (2,085)       28,230       (1,035)       14,564         Kazakhstani Tenge       (57)       6,244       -         Malawian Kwacha       (132)       1,145       -         Tanzanian Shilling       (90)       3,388       -         Ukrainian Hryvnia       74       6,640       -         Ugandan Shilling       (4)       1,500       -         West Africa Franc	Tanzanian Shilling	(58)	5,000	-	-
Ugandan Shilling       (354)       6,500       -         Uruguayan Peso       (3,544)       37,656       -         Uzbekistani Som       (6)       5,000       (3,552)       12,656         West Africa Franc       (40)       1,102       -         South African Rand       104       5,000       (82)       1,102         Zambian Kwacha       (2,620)       2,500       (13,203)       13,000         Short EUR         Argentine Peso       2,316       5,074       -       -         Colombian Peso       72       2,805       -       -         Ghanaian Cedi       (108)       1,867       195       3,046         Indian Rupee       (2,085)       28,230       (1,035)       14,564         Kazakhstani Tenge       (57)       6,244       -         Malawian Kwacha       (132)       1,145       -         Tanzanian Shilling       (90)       3,388       -         Ukrainian Hryvnia       74       6,640       -         Ugandan Shilling       (4)       1,500       -         West Africa Franc       (314)       10,303       (173)       2,404         South African Rand	Tunisian Dinar		-	(148)	3,000
Uruguayan Peso       (3,544)       37,656       -         Uzbekistani Som       (6)       5,000       (3,552)       12,656         West Africa Franc       (40)       1,102       -         South African Rand       104       5,000       (82)       1,102         Zambian Kwacha       (2,620)       2,500       (13,203)       13,000         Short EUR         Argentine Peso       2,316       5,074       -       -         Colombian Peso       72       2,805       -       -         Ghanaian Cedi       (108)       1,867       195       3,046         Indian Rupee       (2,085)       28,230       (1,035)       14,564         Kazakhstani Tenge       (57)       6,244       -         Malawian Kwacha       (132)       1,145       -         Tanzanian Shilling       (90)       3,388       -         Ukrainian Hryvnia       74       6,640       -         Ugandan Shilling       (4)       1,500       -         West Africa Franc       (314)       10,303       (173)       2,404         South African Rand       (308)       3,258       -	Ukrainian Hryvnia	(311)	21,433	159	5,000
Uzbekistani Som       (6)       5,000       (3,552)       12,656         West Africa Franc       (40)       1,102       -         South African Rand       104       5,000       (82)       1,102         Zambian Kwacha       (2,620)       2,500       (13,203)       13,000         Short EUR         Argentine Peso       2,316       5,074       -       -         Colombian Peso       72       2,805       -       -         Ghanaian Cedi       (108)       1,867       195       3,046         Indian Rupee       (2,085)       28,230       (1,035)       14,564         Kazakhstani Tenge       (57)       6,244       -       -         Malawian Kwacha       (132)       1,145       -       -         Tanzanian Shilling       (90)       3,388       -       -         Ukrainian Hryvnia       74       6,640       -       -         Ugandan Shilling       (4)       1,500       -         West Africa Franc       (314)       10,303       (173)       2,404         South African Rand       (308)       3,258       -         Long EUR         <	Ugandan Shilling	(354)	6,500	-	-
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	Total hedging transactions	(13,378)	718,513	(21,721)	287,264

The Euro hedge book above has the specific purpose of offsetting one part of the short Euro positions that TCX builds on a portion of its Primary Investments portfolio. The other part of these short Euro positions is covered through the purchase of Euro-denominated Liquidity Investments, which the Fund must report separately. Depending on the movements in the EUR:USD exchange rate, this can lead to recording translation gains or losses on the liquidity portfolio (see Note 20), whereas, economically, TCX's net overall Euro position is deliberately neutral.

#### **Credit risk**

TCX's credit risk exposure originates from its liquidity and derivatives investments. TCX limits the credit risks it incurs by concentrating liquidity investments with the best-rated counterparties, and by using either guarantees from highly-rated institutions or Credit Support Annexes to ISDA Master Agreements (i.e., ISDA CSA agreements). The purpose of ISDA CSA agreements is to trigger periodic collateral transfers based on the fluctuating fair market value of TCX's portfolio with each counterparty.

In general, under the ISDA CSA master netting agreements, the amounts owed by each counterparty on a single day in respect of all transactions outstanding in the same currency are aggregated into a single net amount that is payable by one party to the other. In certain circumstances (for instance, when a credit event such as a default occurs), all outstanding transactions under the agreement are terminated, the termination value is assessed, and only a single net amount is payable in settlement of all transactions.

TCX's credit risk measures make use of internal credit ratings with associated Probabilities of Default (PD). For Loss Given Default (LGD), the decision is based on the country of incorporation of the counterparty and the type of counterparty. The Exposure at Default (EAD) is equal to the current mark-to-market of the trades with the counterparty (net of any collateral held), plus the potential future exposure on the trades, calculated as the 99% VaR for the applicable period of exposure (i.e., the period between collateral calls in the case of collateralized exposures).

An internal rating and associated PD is assigned by RISKCO to each counterparty prior to execution the first transaction. If and when an external rating of one of the three large global rating agencies is available, this rating is the primary basis for the rating assessment. The PD attached to each rating class is generally based on the empirical default rate of this rating class over the last five years, as published by Standard & Poor's. The ratings-based EAD of the portfolio is shown in the following table:

(all amounts in thousand USD)	Internal Credit rating	EAD 2018	EAD 2017
	AAA	631,544	558,749
	AA	181,883	233,559
	А	75,447	63,376
	BBB	14,692	21,387
	ВВ	17,276	49,085
	В	467	-
Total		921,309	926,156

The Risk Weighted Assets for the credit risk exposures shown above totals USD 76.2 million (2017: USD 86.3 million), after taking into account the applicable PDs and LGDs.

Under IFRS, TCX's ISDA agreements do not meet the criteria for offsetting in the statement of financial position. This is because the right to offset is not current but enforceable only on the occurrence of future events such as a default or other credit events. The following table sets out the fair value of recognized financial instruments that are subject to these agreements:

2018 (all amounts in thousand USD)		Amounts offset included in fair value	Fair value included in statement of financial position	Related financial instruments not offset <sup>s</sup>	Net Amount
Financial assets					
Cross currency swaps	47,704	-	47,704	-	-
Forwards	22,263	-	22,263	-	-
Total financial assets	69,967	-	69,967	(18,180)	51,787
Financial liabilities					
Cross currency swaps	(191,480)	-	(191,480)	-	-
Forwards	(18,010)	-	(18,010)	-	-
Total financial liabilities	(209,490)	-	(209,490)	99,162	(110,328)
Total	(139,523)	-	(139,523)	80,982	(58,541)

2017 (all amounts in thousand USD)		Amounts offset included in fair value	Fair value included in statement of financial position	Related financial instruments not offset <sup>s</sup>	Net Amount
Financial assets					
Cross currency swaps	46,204	-	46,204	-	-
Forwards	16,514	-	16,514	-	-
Total financial assets	62,718	-	62,718	(18,475)	44,243
Financial liabilities					
Cross currency swaps	(75,757)	-	(75,757)	-	-
Forwards	(26,456)	-	(26,456)	-	-
Total financial liabilities	(102,213)	-	(102,213)	43,605	(58,608)
Total	(39,495)	-	(39,495)	25,130	(14,365)

#### Liquidity risk

Investments: Liquidity risks include the risk that TCX cannot fulfil its obligations in a timely fashion due to cross-border transfer timing constraints. To minimize the risk of underfunding in any single currency, TCX maintains minimum liquidity levels to cover future payment obligations in any currency that is not classified as freely convertible. These limits are determined by RISKCO, depending on the currency's convertibility risks. As per 31 December 2018, no traded currency other than the Euro is approved as freely convertible.

To protect TCX from liquidity risk, the single day liquidity gap for each currency may not be larger than half the average spot FX daily trading volume (determined by the Risk Monitor using the average over the past year). To monitor the liquidity risk, a gap analysis is performed monthly that provides an overview of all expected cash flows of all transactions. This includes coupon receipts on bonds, periodic interest exchange on swaps, principal (re)payments on cross-currency swaps and settlements on currency swaps.

Liquidity limits for non-freely convertible currencies are set for a business-as-usual scenario and for a stress scenario. In the business-as-usual scenario, no negative gap is allowed for the first week and the first month (i.e. TCX must have full local currency liquidity to cover foreseeable cash outflows for the next week and the next month). Under a stress scenario, TCX may need more local funds. In this respect the following maximum negative gaps are allowed:

- For the first week: equal to 100% the average turnover of one trading day;
- For the first month: equal to 300% the average turnover of one trading day.

For freely convertible currencies, negative liquidity gaps are allowed up to 10% of the liquidity investment portfolio for the first month. The total gap of all convertible currencies should be lower than 50% of the liquidity investments portfolio. To prevent unnecessary risk taking in the liquidity portfolio, a rise in interest rates of 1% may not cause a loss higher than 1% of the liquidity portfolio.

<sup>5 |</sup> Consists of collateral received or paid

<sup>6 |</sup> Consists of collateral received or paid

The gap analysis for the year ended 31 December 2018 is as follows:

(all amounts in thousand USD)

Currency EUR	One week	One month	Over one month
Cash In	14,706	21,520	326,739
Cash Out	-	(200)	(79,993)
Net Position	14,706	21,320	246,746
Cum Net Position	14,706	36,026	282,772
Limit	(373,009)	(373,009)	

Currency USD	One week	One month	Over one month
Cash In	28,782	28,156	851,393
Cash Out	(431)	(4,056)	(594,061)
Net Position	28,351	24,100	257,332
Cum Net Position	28,351	52,450	309,782
Limit	(373,009)	(373,009)	

The gap analysis for the year ended 31 December 2017 is as follows:

(all amounts in thousand USD)

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Currency EUR	One week	One month	Over one month
Cash In	44,031	20,547	125,687
Cash Out		-	(49,127)
Net Position	44,031	20,547	76,560
Cum Net Position	44,031	64,578	141,138
Limit	(385,365)	(385,365)	-
Currency USD	One week	One month	Over one month

Currency USD	One week	One month	Over one month
Cash In	30,886	53,534	783,431
Cash Out	(164)	(3,640)	(293,911)
Net Position	30,721	49,893	489,520
Cum Net Position	30,721	80,615	570,135
Limit	(385,365)	(385,365)	-

TCX invests its liquid assets in cash deposits, commercial papers, fixed rate bonds and floating rate notes. About 72% (2017: 71%) of these assets have a remaining term shorter than 1 year. Though longer-dated, the other 28% (2017: 29%) are considered highly liquid investments as well (i.e., top-rated paper issued by government, government-backed, and banking institutions). The Fund invests in commercial paper for an amount of USD 336,697 representing 66.2% of the NAV (2017: USD 429,995 representing 77.0% of the NAV) which are readily convertible into cash.

TCX provides clients with conditional deliverable products. Under normal circumstances, these products are deliverable (i.e., TCX receives domestic currency locally against payment of USD or EUR obligations offshore), and thus lead to the need for TCX to repatriate inflowing funds into the Netherlands, but in case of inconvertibility or non-transferability, the products automatically become non-deliverable (i.e., all cash flows occur in USD or EUR offshore). Thus, TCX has no local currency transfer obligations or risks after the occurrence of such an event.

The currencies in which TCX had conditional deliverable products outstanding at 31 December 2018 were the Kenyan Shilling and Dominican Republic Peso, for a total notional of USD 14.3 million (2017: USD 17 million notional).

Subsidies granted and deferred subsidy: The Fund's financial liabilities include subsidies granted and deferred subsidy for an undiscounted cash flow amount of USD 4,527 (2017: USD 8,332), representing 0.5% (2017: 0.9%) of the total financial liabilities (see Note 13 and 14 for further details). The subsidy has no fixed maturity date and depends on the development of the subsidized project.

<u>Subordinated Loan</u>: The Fund's financial liabilities include a Subordinated Loan for an undiscounted cash flow amount of USD 16,952 (2017: USD 20,162), representing 1.7% (2017: 2.2%) of the total financial liabilities (see Note 15 for further details). The Subordinated Loan has a final maturity date of 15 February 2021. Until 15 August 2018 the lender had a conditional right to demand a prepayment of 20% of the Subordinated Loan on a yearly basis which was not exercised.

**Subordinated Convertible Debt:** The Fund's financial liabilities include Subordinated Convertible Debt for a nominal amount of USD 216,578 (2017: USD 188,268), consisting of an undiscounted cash flow amount of USD 162,241 (2017: USD 142,437), representing 16.2% (2017: 15.7%) of the total financial liabilities, and "Grants linked to the Subordinated Convertible Debt", for an amount of USD 54,337 representing 5.4% of the total financial liabilities (2017: USD 45,831 and 5.0% respectively) (see Note 16 for further details). The maturity date of the Subordinated Convertible Debt and the Grants linked thereto is 31 December 2045 with the exception of USD 161,165 linked to BMZ and DGIS which have a maturity date of 31 December 2025 (subject to certain provisions). Each Subordinated Convertible Lender has the option to convert, in whole or in part, its outstanding commitment into Class B Shares of the Fund.

First loss loan: The Fund's financial liabilities include a First loss loan for an undiscounted cash flow amount of USD 10,901 (2017: USD 10,901), representing 1.1% (2017: 1.2%) of the total financial liabilities (see Note 17 for further details). The First loss loan has a final maturity date and repayment date of 31 December 2025.

Redeemable shares Class A: TCX's Shares Class A are "puttable instruments". Redemption is at each investor's option up to an annual maximum of 20% of the Fund's issued Shares A outstanding at the start of each calendar year. Assuming that investors make maximum use of this put option, the undiscounted redemption profile of the Fund's Shares A would be as provided in the table below (see Note 18 for further details regarding redemption rights):

(all amounts in thousand USD)		2018	2017
Year of maturity	2018	-	111,676
	2019	101,712	89,341
	2020	81,370	71,473
	2021	65,096	57,178
	2022	52,077	45,743
	2023	41,661	36,594
	2024	33,329	29,275
	2025	133,317	117,100
	Total	508,562	558,380

Other liabilities: The Fund holds other liabilities for an undiscounted cash flow amount of USD 3,312 (2017: USD 2,823) with a maturity date of less than 3 months, representing 0.3% of the total financial liabilities (2017: 0.3%).

#### Fair value of other financial assets and financial liabilities

There is no material difference between the value of the other financial assets and liabilities, as shown in the balance sheet, and their fair value due to the short term, except for the Subordinated Convertible Debt (see Note 16 for further details), Subordinated Loan (Note 15) and First loss loan (Note 17).

#### 5. Cash and cash equivalents

At 31 December 2018 and 2017, no restrictions on the use of cash and cash equivalents exist.

#### 6. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

The financial assets at fair value through profit or loss consist of the following instruments at 31 December of each year:

	2018		201	7
(all amounts in thousand USD)	Fair value in USD	% of NAV	Fair value in USD	% of NAV
Level 2 financial instruments				
Commercial paper	336,697	66.2	429,995	77.0
Debt instruments	431,171	84.8	287,686	51.5
Cross currency interest rate swaps - Hedging	2,064	0.4	3,867	0.7
FX Forward contracts - Hedging	11,676	2.3	1,370	0.2
Level 3 financial instruments				
Cross currency interest rate swaps - Primary	45,640	9.0	42,337	7.6
FX Forward contracts - Primary	10,587	2.1	15,144	2.7
Frontier Clearing Fund Junior (TCX)	9,965	2.0	9,974	1.8
Total	847,800	166.8	790,373	141.5

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a level 3 measurement.

Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability. The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Fund. The Fund considers observable data to be market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

The policy of classification and the process of fair value measurement of level 3 investments is explained in Note 28. The Level 3 investments are detailed as follows (for liabilities see Note 11):

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Assets	66,192	67,455
Liabilities	(181,309)	(75,255)
Total	(115,117)	(7,800)

The following table shows the movements in Level 3 financial instruments (both assets and liabilities) during the year (all amounts in thousands USD):

For the year 2018	Assets	Liabilities
Balance at 1 January 2018	67,455	(75,255)
Transfers into or out of the Level investment category 3	-	-
Adjusted Opening balance	67,455	(75,255)
Early termination swap contract	(129)	402
Matured deals	(14,137)	14,905
Unrealized gains and (losses)	13,003	(121,361)
Balance at 31 December 2018	66.192	(181.309)

For the year 2017	Assets	Liabilities
Balance at 1 January 2017	49,353	(130,429)
Transfers into or out of the Level investment category 3	-	-
Adjusted Opening balance	49,353	(130,429)
Early termination swap contract	(6,258)	11,508
Matured deals	(9,104)	47,068
Unrealized gains and (losses)	33,464	(3,402)
Balance at 31 December 2017	67,455	(75,255)

All results on financial instruments classified as Level 3 are presented in the statement of comprehensive income under results on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

There are no results on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss as a result of changes in calculation assumptions (2017: no results).

The results on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss include an amount of USD 273 (2017: USD 5,250) resulting from early termination of swap contracts.

A parallel shift in interest rates of 1 basis point results in a change in fair value through profit or loss of USD 176 (2017: USD 153).

The Fund periodically estimates the non-performance risk on its derivative liabilities (DVA, or own credit risk) and the counterparty risk on its derivative assets (CVA). These CVA/DVA estimates take into account the Fund's collateral positions and are made in a manner consistent the Fund's risk management policies and market practice, in order to maximize the use of observable market parameters when deemed relevant. In 2018, no CVA adjustment was made (2017: no adjustment).

#### 7. Cash collateral

As at 31 December 2018, the Fund transferred cash to margin accounts as collateral against open derivatives contracts for a total net amount of USD 80,982 (2017: USD 25,130). The margin accounts were created based on the Credit Support Annex to the ISDA Master Agreements as agreed with various counterparties. The margin accounts are interest bearing (refer to the credit risk disclosure in Note 4).

#### 8. Other receivables

At 31 December the other receivables consist of the following:

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Repaid interest on Subordinated convertible debt	-	1,765
Interest receivable	314	204
Prepaid management fee	271	144
Other	172	186
Total other receivables	757	2,299

#### 9. Related party transactions

Related party transactions are transfers of resources, services or obligations between related parties and the Fund, regardless of whether a price has been charged. Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions or is part of key management (Senior management of TCX Investment Management Company B.V.) of the Fund. The following parties are considered related parties.

#### Managing board

TCX Investment Management Company B.V. received remuneration for services provided as the Fund's statutory director which is included in the overall agreement with both parties. See below under Fund Manager for further details.

#### **Supervisory Board**

The Supervisory Board members are entitled to receive fixed annual fees of EUR 45 for the Chairman (2017: EUR 50), EUR 26 for each other member (2017: EUR 22 for each other members). These fees are presented as part of the governance expenses. In relation to 2018, a total of EUR 123 (2017: EUR 116) has been expensed as Supervisory Board fees. The amount expensed each year depends on the EUR:USD exchange rate, the VAT treatment of the fees, the timing of actual payments, Supervisory Board appointments, and AGM decisions on fee levels. In addition, each member has the option to decline receiving their fees. In 2018, one regular member did so (2017: one).

#### **Fund Manager**

The main responsibilities of the Fund Manager are to manage the Fund's investments according to the Fund's strategy and risk management and investment and operational guidelines, to represent the Fund in communication with its stakeholders, counterparties and services providers and to ensure the Fund's optimal access to international and local markets to promote the Fund's investment products.

Management and performance fee: According to the Fund Management Agreement, the Fund Manager is remunerated for its activities as follows:

- Cost recovery component: the Supervisory Board agrees to an annual budget payable monthly in advance, with reconciliation to actual costs at year end. For the current period, the Fund Manager received EUR 5,290 equal to USD 6,254 (2017: EUR 4,971 equaling USD 5,544):
- Annual performance fee: the Fund Manager receives an annual performance fee driven by parameters agreed with the Supervisory Board of the Fund and approved by shareholders. The total performance fee taken into account (accrued) for the year 2018 amounts to USD 1,2107. Together with the approved surplus over the performance fee estimate accrued for the year 2017 of USD 366, the total performance fee recognized in the 2018 statement of comprehensive income amounts to USD 1,576. In 2017 the total recognized performance fee amounted to USD 1,217, representing the accrued performance fee for the performance over the year 2017 of USD 1,058, plus the approved surplus over the performance fee estimate accrued for the year 2016 of USD 159.

Remuneration of directors and staff of the Fund Manager: At the end of 2018, the Fund Manager had 20 employees (2017: 16). The entire team is classified as "identified staff" for regulatory purposes. In conformity with the AIFMD, this means that all staff are subject to malus and claw-back arrangements with respect to their variable compensation, and the variable compensation of senior management, "risk-takers", and control staff is subject to pre-defined deferral arrangements.

Historically, the team's fixed and variable remuneration awards have been as follows:

2018 (all amounts in thousands)	Fixed EUR	Variable EUR	Total EUR	Total USD <sup>8</sup>
Senior Management	908	343	1,251	1,432
Other personnel	1314	315	1,629	1,865
Total remuneration in 2018	2,222	658	2,880	3,297

2017 (all amounts in thousands)	Fixed EUR	Variable EUR	Total EUR	Total USD
Senior Management	891	208	1,099	1,321
Other personnel	1,179	256	1,435	1,725
Total remuneration in 2017	2,070	465	2,535	3,047

The variable remuneration awarded in any given year relates to individual performance over the previous year. For the staff subject to deferral, 60% is payable in cash in the year of award; the remainder (40%) is payable in equal cash installments over the following 3 years (subject to malus and claw-back).

<sup>7 |</sup> In February 2019, the Supervisory Board approved a performance fee of USD 1,796 for 2018. The excess of USD 586 compared to the amount accrued in 2018 will be recognized in 2019

 $<sup>\</sup>color{red} 8$  | Translated at the year-end USD/EUR exchange rate of EUR 0.874

<sup>9 |</sup> Translated at the year-end USD/EUR exchange rate of EUR 0. 832

#### 10. Relevant contracts for the Fund's operations

#### **Fund Manager**

The Fund has entered into a Fund Management Agreement with the Fund Manager to provide portfolio management, risk management, and fund administration and valuation services to the Fund. See Note 9 for details of the contractual arrangements.

#### **Fund Administrator and Valuer**

The Fund Manager has delegated the Fund's administration and valuation functions to a third-party service provider, DLM Finance B.V. ("the Administrator"), under a bilateral agreement with the Fund Manager. The main responsibilities of the Administrator are administering, settling and valuing the Fund's investments, collateral management, and maintaining and preparing portfolio reports.

Additionally, the Administrator keeps the books of the Fund and prepares periodic financial reports for the benefit of the Pricing Committee, the Supervisory Board and its committees, the investors, and regulators. The expenses for these services are included in the Management Fee discussed in Note 9 above.

#### **Risk Monitor**

Historically, the Fund's risk monitoring has been provided by Cardano Risk Management B.V. ("CRM") under the terms of a trilateral agreement with the Fund Manager and the Fund. Amongst other functions, CRM is responsible for executing the daily risk, asset, and cash flow monitoring functions, the provision of an independent opinion on pricing and valuation, providing expert input on the modeling and execution of derivatives transactions, and supporting the Fund Manager in research and risk management.

For 2018, Cardano Risk Management B.V. received a fixed fee equal to EUR 1,050 or USD 1,237 (2017: EUR 1,050 equaling USD 1,196).

#### **Depositary and Custodian**

The Fund has appointed Bank of New York Mellon N.V. ("BNYM") to act as its independent Depositary. In this capacity, BNYM is responsible for general oversight of the Fund Manager, monitoring transactions in TCX shares, safe-keeping the Fund's assets, reconciling its cash flows, and ensuring that its valuation policies and procedures are implemented properly and consistently. BNYM also acts as the Fund's custodian.

For 2018, BNYM received depositary fees of USD 150 (2017: USD 162). These fees fluctuate monthly as a function of the value of TCX's investments.

#### **Assurance providers**

The Fund has appointed PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V. as its Independent Auditor. The Independent Auditor's remuneration in 2018 consisted EUR 231 in audit fees, equal to USD 268 (2017: EUR 171 equaling USD 201). The Independent Auditor is engaged to perform the audit of the financial statements, annual compliance audits on the Funds activities, NAV audits, review procedures and other non-audit services.

The remaining part USD 183 (2017: USD 95) of the total audit fees of USD 451 (2017: USD 296) is related to the operational audit of the Fund by Solutional Assurance Services B.V., which resulted in the issuance of an unqualified ISAE 3402 Type II report and assurance on the IT system migration during the year 2018.

#### 11. Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

The financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss consist of the following instruments at 31 December of each year (see Note 6 for further information).

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2018		2017		
	Fair value in USD	% of NAV	Fair value in USD	% of NAV		
Level 2 financial instruments						
Cross currency interest rate swaps - Hedging	14,291	2.8	2,841	0.5		
FX Forward contracts - Trading	1,063	0.2	-	-		
FX Forward contracts - Hedging	12,827	2.5	24,117	4.3		
Level 3 financial instruments						
Cross currency interest rate swaps - Primary	177,189	34.8	72,916	13.1		
FX Forward contracts - Primary	4,120	0.8	2,339	0.4		
Total	209,490	41.1	102,213	18.3		

#### 12. Accrued expenses and other payables

As at 31 December the accrued expenses and other payables consist of the following:

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Donor Commitments	2,022	1,407
Audit fee payable	61	24
Other general fees payable	53	267
Management fee and performance fee payable	1,176	1,125
Total accrued expenses and other payables	3,312	2,823

#### **Donor Commitments**

In December 2016, the German Federal Minister for Economic Development & Cooperation (BMZ) and the Dutch Minister for International Trade & Development Cooperation (DGIS) agreed to terminate the Joint Donor Agreement (JODEA) in relation to which the Fund had agreed to segregate a portion of the Fund's assets (the "Donor Assets") for use in special projects, grants and investments (the "Donor Commitments").

As per 31 December 2018, the only remaining Donor Commitments (and matching Donor Assets) concern a similar but separate arrangement with the German Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation, and Building & Nuclear Safety (BMU).

The Fund has agreed with the providers of the Subordinated Convertible Debt (the Donors listed above, see Note 13) that it will distribute to them, on January 1 of each year, an amount equal to 2.5% per annum flat on their share of the Subordinated Convertible Debt outstanding on December 31 of the previous year up to 2020, 2.0% up to 2025 and 1.5% up to 2045 related to the BMU and 2.5% per annum flat on their share of the Subordinated Convertible Debt outstanding on December 31 of the previous year up to 2025 related to the BMZ and DGIS agreements.

Effective 1 January 2017, these distributions will be made as follows:

- In the case of DGIS, in cash or additions to the First Loss Loan, at the discretion of DGIS;
- In the case of BMZ, in cash;
- In the case of BMU, in cash or additional Donor Commitments (supported by cash Donor Assets), at the discretion of BMU.

In 2018 and previous years, the distributions were entirely in the form of additional Donor Commitments.

When using cash Donor Assets for making an investment that may be redeemed at a later date, any redemption proceeds received by the Fund will be transferred back to the Donor Assets. The Fund is entitled to any interest, dividend or other income received from these investments.

The obligation of the Fund to use the Donor Assets to honor the Donor Commitments ranks junior to the Fund's senior unsecured obligations and pari passu with any other subordinated obligations of the Fund. The contributions to Donors Assets are presented on a net basis in the statement of comprehensive income and are detailed as follows:

(all amounts in thousand USD)	Note	2018	2017
Interest calculated based on market interest rates		(11,296)	(9,097)
Amortization of government grants	16,17	6,317	4,786*)
Contributions to Donor Assets		(4,979)	(4,311)

<sup>\*)</sup> The amortization schedule of the Government Grants have been revisited and subsequently reclassified to reflect the correct size and the maturity of the loans and related government grants.

#### 13. Subsidies granted by third-parties

#### **Objective**

The Fund may make arrangements with government donors, multi-lateral organizations, and other parties to subsidize the rates it quotes in certain currencies or sectors in case of structural impediments to local currency financings. In 2016, the first such facility was launched by the Fund in cooperation with the Livelihoods and Food Securities Trust Fund (LIFT) – a UN-administered fund operating in Myanmar. The purpose of the facility is to enable foreign development financiers to offer Kyat denominated loans to microfinance institutions in compliance with the maximum interest rate set by the Central Bank of Myanmar on foreign lending.

#### **Status**

As per 31 December 2018 the Fund had received all tranches of the LIFT facility for a total amount of USD 9,925 and has been subsequently executed in subsidized transactions.

#### Movement during the period

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Opening balance	1,197	3,815
Received subsidies from LIFT	-	4,925
Subsidies on transactions executed during the year	(1,197)	(7,543)
Total end of year	-	1,197

#### 14. Deferred subsidy income

The subsidies on transactions executed during each year are deferred over the lifetime of the executed transactions and recognized on each interest settlement date in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Opening balance	7,135	1,185
Deferred subsidy assigned to executed transactions during the year	1,197	7,543
Recognised interest grant through Statement of Comprehensive Income	(3,805)	(1,593)
Total end of year	4,527	7,135

#### 15. Subordinated loan

#### **Objective**

The Subordinated Loan has been provided by the Inter-American Development Bank ("IDB") with the objective to provide TCX with financing to support its investment activities directed towards the currencies of Latin American and Caribbean countries.

#### **Status**

The Fund drew USD 20 million (100% of IDB's the commitment) on 18 December 2012.

#### Subordination

Repayment obligations of the Subordinated Loan are subordinated and rank junior to all the other liabilities of the Fund excluding the Subordinated Convertible Debt and the First Loss Loan (see Notes 16 and 17).

#### Repayment and interest

The Fund shall repay the full amount outstanding of the Subordinated Loan in six equal semi-annual installments of principal as follows:

- the first installment shall be due on 15 August 2018 and each half year period thereafter, subject to the rights attached to the put option (see below);
- the final installment shall be due on 15 February 2021.

The Subordinated Loan does not pay any regular interest but includes a compounded return which is paid out with the final installment. The return is calculated as i) the minimum of the compounded 3-month LIBOR rate, as applicable on the 15th day of each quarter and the internal return on TCX's equity, or zero if the internal return on TCX's equity is negative plus ii) 30% of the excess (if any) of the internal return on TCX's equity over the compounded 3-month LIBOR rate.

#### **Put option**

The Subordinated Loan incorporates a period starting 3 August 2015 until 15 August 2018 in which IDB had the right to exercise a put option on the computed return and compounded Libor minus 0.25%. The put option included the right to demand a prepayment of maximal 20% of the Loan each calendar year. The put option was not exercised during the period and matured during the year.

#### Fair value information

The estimation of the fair value of the Subordinated Loan at 31 December 2018 was calculated based on an internally developed valuation model (Level 3) and amounted to USD 17.1 million (2017: USD 20.7 million). The following major assumptions were used in the internally developed valuation model which is based on an income approach:

- The facility is senior to equity and the subordinated convertible debt but junior to other senior liabilities;
- O No own credit risk is taken into account;
- The exercise frequency for the put option is fixed beforehand as well as the intervals between the decision to exercise and prepayment (until maturity of the option in 2018);
- The instantaneous volatility shocks to the TCX equity return are assumed to be 20% on an annual basis. Interest rates are assumed to be uncorrelated with TCX equity and are modeled by using a Hull-White extended Vasicek model.

A change in the credit spread of +50bps results in a change in fair value of USD -102 (2017: USD -202). A change in the volatility of the TCX NAV of plus or minus 1% will change the fair value of USD: +/- USD 36 (2017:+/-USD 30).

#### Movement of the Subordinated Loan during the reporting period

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Opening balance	20,162	20,090
Compounded return	123	72
Repayment	(3,333)	-
Total end of year	16,952	20,162

# 16. Subordinated Convertible Debt and Grants linked to the Subordinated Convertible Debt

#### **Objective**

The Subordinated Convertible Debt has been provided by Donors with the objective to:

- provide to the Fund a financing that provides a first loss protection to its Shareholders, in order to enhance the risk-return profile of their investment;
- enhance the Fund's capability and incentive to transact in Least Developed Countries and Other Low Income Countries, which are the two lowest categories of countries in the OECD Development Assistance Committee's list of Official Development Assistance recipients. The Donors specifically wish to target such countries situated in Sub Sahara Africa with their investment; and
- enhance the Fund's capability and incentive to transact in SE4ALL (Universal Energy Access, Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency) projects carried out in countries mentioned in the OECD Development Assistance Committee list.

#### **Status**

The Donors are:

- The Netherlands Minister for International Trade and Development Cooperation (with a EUR 50 million commitment).
- II. TCX Mauritius, on-lending a EUR 40 million commitment of KfW acting on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development (BMZ), and
- III. KfW acting on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development (BMZ, with a EUR 27.5 million commitment).
- IV. KfW acting in its own name but for the account of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, and Building & Nuclear Safety (BMU, with a EUR 50 million commitment).

All commitments are 100% disbursed. Obligations were converted into USD on disbursement at the then applicable exchange rate.

In December 2018 BMZ and BMU increased their commitment and subsequent disbursement by the USD equivalent of EUR 5 million and EUR 20 million respectively. Together with these new commitments, the existing terms and conditions were adjusted and approved by the Extraordinary General Meeting of 5 December 2018. It was approved that the tenor of the Subordinated Convertible Debt will adjusted from 2025 to 2045 for BMU. The BMZ and DGIS part remains a tenor of 2025. It was also approved to adjust the pricing as follows: 2.5% per annum flat on their share of the Subordinated Convertible Debt outstanding on December 31 of the previous year up to 2020, 2.0% up to 2025 and 1.5% up to 2045 for the BMU part. For BMZ and DGIS the pricing remains 2.5% per annum flat. In summary:

Donor	Maturity Year end	Interest %	Outstanding USD
DGIS	2025	2.5	70,617
BMZ	2025	2.5	90,547
BMU	2045	2.5/2.0/1.5	55,413
Total per 31 December 2018			216,577

#### **Subordination**

The Subordinated Convertible Debt is subordinated to all senior and subordinated obligations of the Fund and is furthermore repayable upon liquidation only to the extent that each and every holder of Class A shares has achieved a compounded 3-month USD Libor flat return on its investment (the Threshold Shareholder IRR). It is not freely transferable.

#### Conversion

The Donors have the option at all times to convert the outstanding commitments in the Subordinated Convertible Debt in whole or in part into shares Class B. The number of shares Class B shall be calculated in respect to the portion of the outstanding commitment and the number of shares Class B to be issued to a lender. The conversion price payable by a converting lender on the conversion date shall be the equal to the per-share net asset value of the Fund's Shares A applicable immediately after conversion (including the first loss effect of the Subordinated Convertible Debt and/or Shares B outstanding). The lenders' conversion rights are not transferable. During the period, no conversion options were exercised.

#### Restriction to redeem Shares B

The Shares B shall have the same rights as any other class of Shares in the Fund, except that the shares Class B will not participate in any dividend and will not be redeemable until the Fund's shareholders have achieved the Threshold.

#### Repayment and interest

Unless previously converted to Shares B, the USD amount outstanding under the Subordinated Convertible Debt becomes redeemable in full on 31 December 2045. As outlined in Note 12, the Fund has agreed to make certain distributions to the Donors in lieu of the usual interest payments.

#### Fair value information

The estimation of the fair value of the Subordinated Convertible Debt at 31 December 2018 was calculated based on an internally developed valuation model (Level 3) and amounted to USD 117 million (2017: USD 102 million). The following material assumptions were used in the internally developed valuation model which is based on an income approach:

- The facility is junior to the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares Class A;
- O No early exercise of the conversion is taken into account;
- The conditional annual payment of the interest on the facility has comparable value with an end of period payment of compounded LIBOR;
- The volatility of the TCX NAV used in the Black & Scholes option valuation is based on the results of a TCX financial business model with an implied volatility of 20%.

A change in the credit spread of +50 bps results in a change in fair value of USD -4,249 (2017: USD -2,914). A change in the volatility of the TCX NAV of plus or minus 1% will change the fair value of: USD +/-1,484 (2017: USD +/-2,467).

# Movements during the period and cumulative positions at the end of reporting period

(all amounts in thousand USD)	Subordinated Convertible Debt at market interest	Government grants	Total
Total position at 31 December 2016	121,622	39,917	161,539
Reclassification amortization 2016 *)	2,139	(2,139)	-
Amortization during the year *)	4,197	(4,197)	-
Drawdown December 2017*)	14,479	12,250	26,729
Total position at 31 December 2017	142,437	45,831	188,268
	Subordinated Convertible Debt at		

(all amounts in thousand USD)	Convertible Debt at market interest	Government grants	Total
Total position at 31 December 2017	142,437	45,831	188,268
Amortization during the year	5,729	(5,729)	-
The 2018 Commitment			
Drawdown KfW (BMU) December 2018	10,866	11,782	22,648
Drawdown KfW (BMZ) December 2018	3,209	2,453	5,662
Total position at 31 December 2018	162,241	54,337	216,578

<sup>\*)</sup> The amortization schedule of the Government Grants have been revisited and subsequently reclassified to reflect the correct size and the maturity of the loans and related government grants.

#### 17. First loss loan

#### **Objective**

The First loss loan has been provided by the Netherlands Minister for International Trade & Development Cooperation ("DGIS") with the objective to enhance TCX's capability and incentive to transact in the lowest two categories of countries as defined by the OECD Development Assistance Committee List of Official Development Assistance Recipients. DGIS specifically wishes to target women and countries situated in Sub Sahara Africa.

#### **Status**

The First loss loan agreement was executed on 21 December 2016 for a total amount of USD 10,901. The execution of the agreement was based on a transfer of Donor Commitments as disclosed in Note 12.

#### **Subordination**

Repayment obligations of the First loss loan ranks pari passu with the obligations of the Fund under Subordinated Convertible Debt (see Note 16) in a going-concern scenario. In case the Fund decides to liquidate pursuant to a Liquidation Trigger Event (see Note 18), there is no repayment obligation (the principal resets to zero).

#### Repayment and interest

The Fund shall repay the full amount outstanding of the First loan loss including outstanding interest on 31 December 2025. The First loss loan is subject to an annual interest of 2.5% flat on the amount outstanding at December 31 each year.

#### Fair value information

The estimation of the fair value of the First loss loan at 31 December 2018 was calculated based on an internally developed valuation model (Level 3) and amounted to USD5.2 million (2017: USD 4.8 million). The following material assumptions were used in the internally developed valuation model which is based on an income approach:

- The facility is junior to the net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares Class A and ranks pari passu with the Subordinated Convertible Debt;
- No early exercise of the conversion is taken into account;
- Inclusion of a 2.5% fixed versus floating USD interest rate swap with a maturity date of 31 December 2025;
- The volatility of the TCX NAV used in the Black & Scholes option valuation is based on the results of a TCX financial business model with an implied volatility of 20%.

A change in the credit spread of +50bps results in a change in fair value of USD -181 (2017: USD -189). A change in the volatility of the TCX NAV of plus or minus 1% will change the fair value of: USD +/- 60 (2017: USD +/- 90).

#### Movements during period and cumulative positions at the end of reporting period

(all amounts in thousand USD)	First loss loan at market interest	Government grants	Total
Total position at 31 December 2016	5,603	5,298	10,901
Amortization during the year	589	(589)	-
Total position at 31 December 2017	6,192	4,709	10,901
Amortization during the year	588	(588)	<u> </u>
Total position at 31 December 2018	6,780	4,121	10,901

#### 18. Share capital

#### Structure of the Fund's capital

The authorized share capital amounts to sixty thousand euro (EUR 60,000) and is divided into:

- 1,000 classes of Class A shares, numbered from A1 to and including A1,000, each class containing ten (10) shares with a par value of one euro (EUR 1) each; and
- Five hundred (500) classes of Class B shares, numbered from B1 up to and including B500, each class containing ten (10) shares with a par value of one euro (EUR 1) each; and
- One (1) C Ordinary Share, numbered C1, with a par value of forty-five thousand euro (EUR 45,000), which share shall be regarded as one (1) class of shares).

At 31 December 2018, 914 Shares Class A are in issue (31 December 2017: 938 shares) and are fully paid. No Shares Class B are in issue. The single C Ordinary Share is held in treasury by TCX itself.

On 17 May 2018 the Annual General Meeting approved the proposal to abolish the use of the issuance value for new issued shares. In this Meeting a compensation for one of the shareholders was approved for an amount of USD 3.7 million of which USD 3.6 was paid out via the issuance of 6 shares and USD 0.1 was paid in cash.

#### **Subscriptions**

The Fund accepts from time to time offers to subscribe to newly issued Shares Class A from "professional investors" only (within the meaning of Article 1:1 of The Netherlands Financial Markets Supervision Act), upon approval by the Fund's General Meeting of the terms of the issuance and the identity of the new investor.

#### Redemptions

Each investor has the option to exit the Fund by offering its shares for repurchase on a quarterly basis, at Net Asset Value

Redemptions are subject to an annual cap of 20% of Shares Class A and Shares Class B outstanding at the start of each calendar year. Separately, the shareholders have the ability to request on 31 December 2020 for full redemption of their shares in 2025 without the cap applying.

Redemption or repurchase of shares can only occur if the Primary Investments volume existing between TCX and the exiting Investor after redemption does not breach the limits defined in the Investors Agreement.

#### **Rights and obligations**

Each shareholder has the number of votes at a General Meeting equal to the number of Shares it holds. Each Subordinated Convertible Lender may vote on certain matters defined in the Investors Agreement, and in these cases has the number of votes equal to the number of shares Class B that it would have held if the Convertible Subordinated Debt would have been converted into shares Class B on the last business day of the previous financial year. The shareholders and Subordinated Convertible Debt investors shall exercise their voting rights in accordance with and pursuant to the terms, conditions and spirit of the Investors Agreement.

#### **TCX Investment Company Mauritius Limited**

The Fund's General Meeting has approved TCX Investment Company Mauritius Limited ("TCXM") as a vehicle for facilitating the investment of four investors in the Fund, three of which are TCXM's owners.

#### **Capital management**

The Fund's capital management objectives are included in Note 4. The Fund's internal capital requirements to meet its objective are satisfied through a diversified financial structure. The breakdown is as follows at 31 December:

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Net assets attributable to holders of Shares Class A	508,562	558,380
Subordinated Convertible Debt	162,241	142,437
Grants linked to the Subordinated Convertible Debt	54,337	45,831
First loss loan	10,901	10,901
Frontier Clearing investment capital usage	(6,976)	(6,982)
Total Tier 1 capital	729,065	750,567

The Fund has one Subordinated Loan classified as Tier 2 capital (see Note 15 for further details).

(all amounts in thousand USD)	2018	2017
Subordinated Loan	16,952	20,162
Total Tier 2 capital	16,952	20,162

<sup>10 |</sup> Capital ratio: The Capital ratio is a solvency indicator, explaining the relationship between risk capital and risk weighted assets. The Fund's (minimum) capital ratio implicitly acts as the Fund's (maximum) leverage ratio within the meaning of the AIFMD.

The definitions of Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital are internal to TCX and are presently driven chiefly by the relative ranking of the instruments in case of a forced or voluntary liquidation of the Fund. Both tiers are junior to the senior creditors of the Funds (TCX's counterparties), and qualify in this sense as 'capital' available to support the obligations towards them. Next comes the non-convertible subordinated debt (Tier 2), and the Shares Class A, which top Tier 1. These are held by development finance institutions and funds, whereas the Convertible Subordinated Debt and the First-Loss Loan are held by government Donors.

The Fund's capital requirements are based on two ratios:

- Minimum Total Capital ratio<sup>10</sup> of 14% (Tier 1 plus Tier 2 capital over Risk Weighted Assets); (at 31 December 2018: 24%; 2017: 26%);
- Minimum Tier 1 ratio of 10% (Tier 1 capital over Risk Weighted Assets); (at 31 December 2018: 23%; 2017: 25%).

If either ratio falls below the agreed threshold, a Liquidation Trigger Event will have occurred, requiring the Fund Manager to liquidate the Fund within a period of one year following an unremediated stand-still period, subject to investor approval. The capital ratios are tested at the end of each business day.

The Fund maintains an internal capital adequacy assessment process ("ICAAP") to periodically review and assess the Fund's capital position, notably the amounts available to support the portfolio's growth while reserving sufficient amounts to cover stress scenarios.

During the reporting period, the Fund complied with these minimum internal capital requirements.

#### Dividend and dividend policy

In accordance with the Investors' Agreement, dividends may be paid out to shareholders if the Fund generates a profit that outpaces the Fund's growth potential, leading to inefficient capitalization for the foreseeable future.

# 19. Net result on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

The net results on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss are detailed follows:

2018	Profits		Losses		Net
(all amounts in thousand USD)	unrealised	realised	unrealised	realised	result
Cross Currency Swaps- Primary	94,698	122,891	(195,668)	(39,573)	(17,652)
Cross Currency Swaps- Hedging	3,537	1,036	(16,790)	(9,574)	(21,791)
FX forward- Primary	13,664	12,365	(20,003)	(1,546)	4,480
FX forward- Trading	-	-	(1,063)	-	(1,063)
FX forward- Hedging	34,075	1,373	(12,478)	(17,131)	5,839
FX Spots	-	120	-	(196)	(76)
Debt instruments	3,858	2,049	(4,877)	(582)	448
Total	149,832	139,834	(250,879)	(68,602)	(29,815)

2017	Profi	ts	Loss	es	Net
(all amounts in thousand USD)	unrealised	realised	unrealised	realised	result
Cross Currency Swaps- Primary	102,598	92,895	(54,300)	(54,386)	86,807
Cross Currency Swaps- Hedging	4,003	9,502	(6,772)	(11,397)	(4,664)
FX forward- Primary	30,294	4,214	(5,307)	(15,107)	14,094
FX forward- Trading	458	1,442	(1,064)	(326)	510
FX forward- Hedging	3,410	3,450	(27,281)	-	(20,421)
FX Spots	-	332	-	(275)	57
Debt instruments	5,534	-	(33)	(197)	5,304
Total	146,297	111,835	(94,757)	(81,688)	81,687

The interest component included in the Cross Currency Swaps amounts to USD 108,454 (2017: USD 88,141).

#### 20. Foreign currency translation

Realized and unrealized exchange rate differences consist of realized and unrealized translation gains and losses on assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the US Dollar. The total foreign currency translation result amounts to a loss of USD 2,143 (2017: gain of USD 6,140). For the translation of the non-USD positions at balance sheet date, a closing rate of EUR 0.873 (2017: EUR 0.832) per USD has been applied in preparation of these financial statements.

#### 21. Interest income

The following table details the interest income during the reporting period.

(all amounts in thousands USD)	2018	2017
Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		
Commercial paper	5,475	3,431
Floated rate notes	5,485	2,667
Fixed rate bonds	450	694
Subtotal debt instruments	11,410	6,792
Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash collateral	688	219
Subtotal cash and cash equivalents	688	219
Total interest income	12.098	7.011

#### 22. Other general expenses

The following table details the other general expenses during the period.

(all amounts in thousands USD)	2018	2017
Legal fees	238	80
Rating agency fees	79	83
Guarantee fee	51	66
Compliance fees	39	38
Tax advisory fees	-	13
Reasearch fees	420	280
Other expenses	38	241
Total other general expenses	865	801

#### 23. Personnel

The Fund did not employ any personnel during the reporting period ending 31 December 2018 (2017: none)

#### 24. Assets Under Management

As defined under the AIFMD, the Assets Under Management ('AUM') of the Fund at 31 December 2018 totaled USD 4,345 million (2017: USD 3,084 million), including the derivatives portfolio at notional value.

#### 25. Leverage

As defined under the AIFMD, the Leverage of the Fund at 31 December 2018 was 7.9 times its NAV using the Gross Method, and 6.3 times its NAV using the Commitment Method (2017: 4.8 times and 4.2 times, respectively). The Fund calculates these leverage measures solely for reporting purposes to the Dutch Central Bank. For risk and capital management purposes, the Fund relies instead on monitoring its available capital to risk weighted assets ratio, as detailed in Note 18.

#### 26. Fund documentation

The totality of the documents concerning TCX's corporate status and its objectives, funding arrangements, policies, management, operations, and financial results are available to existing investors in the secure area of the Fund's website (www.tcxfund.com). For permission to access this secure area of the website, prospective investors are invited to contact the Fund Manager at info@tcxfund.com. For non-investors, the website only provides publicly released information.

#### 27. Proposal for profit appropriation

Appropriation of profit will be determined in accordance with articles 29 and 31 of the Articles of Association of the Fund.

The statutory managing board proposes to the general meeting to allocate the operating loss of USD 32,025 for the period ended 31 December 2018 as follows: for an amount of USD 32,025 to the other reserves corresponding with each relevant class of shares. As per 31 December 2018, 914 shares are in issue. No dividends shall be distributed to shareholders with respect to the period ended 31 December 2018.

# Significant accounting policies, estimates and judgments

#### 28. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements are prepared on a fair value basis for financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Certain financial assets and financial liabilities are stated at amortized cost.

The Statement of financial position presents the assets and liabilities in decreasing order of liquidity and does not distinguish between current and non-current items. The Fund's assets and liabilities are generally held for the purpose of being traded or are generally expected to be realised within one year with the exception of the Primary Investments, the long-term Subordinated Loan, the Subordinate Convertible Debt, Subsidies and the associated Grant and subsidy elements linked thereto.

The accounting policies have been consistently applied by the Fund and are consistent with those used in the previous year. All amounts have been rounded to the nearest thousand unless otherwise indicated.

Adoption of new standards and amendments to existing standards: IFRS 9 Financial Instruments - IFRS 9 (2009) introduces new requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets. Under IFRS 9 (2009), financial assets are classified and measured based on the business model in which they are held and the characteristics of their contractual cash flows. IFRS 9 (2010) introduces additional changes relating to financial liabilities. The IASB has finalized its project to make limited amendments to the classification and measurement requirements of IFRS 9 and add new requirements to address the impairment of financial assets and hedge accounting.

IFRS 9 (2010) and (2009) are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. The EU has endorsed IFRS 9 on 22 November 2016. The impact on the Fund's financial statements based on the adjustments and new requirements is minimal as the fair value approach of financial assets has not changed as a result of the introduction of IFRS 9. The Fund has no non-derivative financial liabilities at fair value. Adoption of IFRS 9 did not affect the measurement or classification of financial liabilities.

IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers - The IASB has issued a new standard for the recognition of revenue and has been endorsed by the EU on 22 September 2016. This replaces IAS 18 which covers, amongst others, contracts for goods and services. The new standard is based on the principle that revenue is recognized when control of a good or service transfers to a customer - so the notion of control replaces the existing notion of risks and rewards. The Fund assessed the impact on the Fund's financial statements based on the adjustments and new requirements and concludes that the introduction of IFRS 15 has not impacted the financial statements of the Fund.

New standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards which are relevant to the Fund and not yet effective: There are no new standards or amendments and interpretations to existing standards that could potentially impact the financial statements of the Fund.

#### **Functional currency translation**

Functional currency and presentation currency: The functional currency of the Fund is the United States Dollar (USD), reflecting the fact that the majority of the transactions are settled in USD. The Fund has adopted the USD as its presentation currency as all of the contributions made by the investors of the Fund are denominated in USD.

Transactions and balances: All recognized assets and liabilities denominated in non-USD currencies are translated into USD equivalents using year-end spot rates. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange prevailing at the date of the transaction. Resulting exchange differences on the financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss in foreign currencies are recorded in the income statement as part of the investment result. Realized and unrealized exchange differences on other assets and liabilities are also recorded in the income statement and disclosed as foreign currency translation.

#### **Financial instruments**

<u>Classification</u>: Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss - the Fund classifies all derivative financial instruments (which may include foreign exchange contracts, interest rate futures, forward rate agreements, currency and interest rate options, both written and purchased as well as other derivative financial instruments) as financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss. The Fund classifies investments in debt securities as financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

Subordinated (convertible) debt, grants linked to the subordinated convertible debt, First loss loan and grants linked to the First loss loan - the Fund classifies these instruments as financial liabilities in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements, given that the total expected cash flows attributable to the instrument over its life are not based substantially on the profit, the change in the recognized net assets, or the change in the fair value of the recognized and unrecognized net assets of the Fund during the life of the instrument

The following financial instruments are classified as financial instruments at amortized cost: other receivables, accrued expenses and other payables, cash collateral (paid and given) and cash and cash equivalents.

The Fund's accounting policy regarding the redeemable shares Class A is described below.

**Recognition:** The Fund recognizes all financial instruments on its balance sheet when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognized using trade date accounting. Gains and losses are recognized from this date on.

Drawdowns under the Subordinated Convertible Debt and First Loss Loan facility are treated as loans that include a grant element (further referred to as Grants linked to the Subordinated Convertible Debt and Grants linked to the First Loss Loan, together "the Grants"). The Grants are calculated as the difference between the initial carrying value of the loans (its fair value) and the proceeds received (its book value).

<u>Measurement:</u> All financial instruments are initially measured at fair value (transaction price). Furthermore, the following measurement principles are applied:

Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss - Transaction costs on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss are expensed immediately. After initial recognition, financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, with changes in their fair value recognized as gains or losses in the statement of comprehensive income.

Subordinated (convertible) debt, grants linked to the subordinated convertible debt, First loss loan and grants linked to the First loss loan - the Subordinated Convertible Debt, First Loss Loan and the Subordinated Loan are recorded as liabilities on an amortized cost basis until extinguished upon conversion or at the instrument's maturity date. The Grants are amortized over the lifetime of the Subordinated Convertible Debt and First Loan Loss respectively.

Other receivables, accrued expenses and other payables, cash collateral (paid and given) and cash and cash equivalent- these financial instruments are recognized at fair value and subsequently stated at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

Fair value measurement principles: Commercial paper and Debt Instruments - For all financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss which are highly rated and liquid such as commercial paper, floating rate notes, certificates of deposit, T-bills, T-bonds for which quoted prices in an active market are available as reference, the fair value is determined based on market standard cash flow methodologies and are further referred to as Level 2 financial instruments.

Cross currency interest rate swaps (CCIRS) and FX Forward contracts - the Fund employs these instruments in its portfolio for three reasons:

- Primary Investments: long-term investment transactions in developing country currencies directly in line with the primary purpose of the Fund;
- Trading Investments: transactions with investment banks, usually short-term, with the purpose of diversifying the Fund's overall currency exposure; and
- Hedging Investments: transactions with the purpose of concentration and balance sheet management.

Primary Investment are transacted to realize TCX's mission to provide hedges that are additional to markets, i.e. not transacted by market parties. This typically arises when the investment has a maturity longer than the market offers or TCX offers a product for which there is no market at all. To manage price discovery in such an environment, TCX has instituted a Pricing Committee, which approves the pricing methodology of the Fund based on a proposal of the Fund Manager. The Risk Monitor is responsible for monitoring that the various pricing methodologies approved by the Pricing Committee, are implemented correctly. By definition, the additionality principle means that there is little, if any, directly observable and/or comparable market data. Therefore, the techniques used to value TCX's Primary Investments qualify as Level 3 valuation techniques (valuation technique using inputs that are not market observable) using the income approach based on future cash flows.

TCX's Trading and Hedging Investments are typically closed within the available market offering for the currencies in which they occur. TCX should be able to move into and out of the positions relatively quickly to enhance the diversification benefits, manage portfolio concentrations, or protect its capital. They are valued based on a valuation technique using inputs based on observable market data. In particular, the Fund uses market rates obtained from public sources, such as Bloomberg and Reuters, in the pricing of its derivative over-the-counter products. Therefore, the techniques used to value TCX's Trading and Hedging Investments qualify in principle as Level 2 valuation techniques "valuation techniques using inputs based on observable market data".

Frontier Clearing Fund Junior (TCX) - the fair value of the Frontier Clearing Fund Junior Units are determined using valuation models for which not all inputs are market observable prices or rates. The fair valuation of these units is based on discounted future cash flows and is published monthly by the custodian of the Frontier Clearing Funds.

Impairment of financial instruments at amortized cost: The Fund assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and recognizes a provision for impairment when such evidence exists. Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy and default or significant delay in payments are objective evidence that these financial assets are impaired. The carrying amount of these assets is reduced through the use of an impairment account which is calculated as the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, net of any collateral held.

**Derecognition:** The Fund de-recognizes a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or it transfers the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for de-recognition. A transfer will qualify for de-recognition when the Fund transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired.

Offsetting financial instruments: Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realize the assets and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### Subsidies granted by third parties and deferred subsidy income

The Fund recognizes subsidies granted on the Statement of financial position once the Fund complies to all conditions and the Fund has received the cash, all in accordance with the subsidy agreement. The subsidies granted are reclassified as deferred subsidies income when transactions are executed. Deferred subsidy income is recognized in Statement of Comprehensive Income on a systematic basis over the period of the allocated financial instruments and presented as an adjustment to the (change in) fair value of the transaction.

#### Statement of cash flows

The statement of cash flows is prepared according to the direct method. The statement of cash flows shows the Fund's cash flows for the period divided into cash flows from operations and financing activities and how the cash flows have affected cash funds.

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss are included under operating activities. Cash flows from financing activities include proceeds from subscriptions and payments for redemptions of shares of the Fund. As the nature of the Fund is to invest in financial instruments, all cash flows related to investments are classified as cash flows from operating activities.

#### **Shares Class A**

The Fund's Class A shares are redeemable at the shareholder's option and are classified as financial liabilities. These shares are recognized and measured at their net asset value, being the net present value of the assets minus the net present value of the liabilities. Any distributions to holders of these shares are recognized in the income statement as distribution to holders of redeemable shares Class A.

#### Income and expense recognition

Income is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Fund and the income can be reliably measured. For debt instruments, commercial papers, cash collateral and interest received from Donor Assets, the change in fair value will be classified as a result on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss. The interest revenue and expense on these instruments are presented as interest income as a separate line item. The benefits of government grants are amortized and presented in the statement of comprehensive income over the lifetime of the Subordinated Convertible Debt and are deducted from the line item Contributions to Donor Assets.

The Management Fee is based on invoices as long as they do not exceed the budget approved by the Supervisory Board. The Performance Fee is determined based on a separate performance assessment by the Supervisory Board against the performance targets agreed with the Fund Manager and approved by the Investors.

#### **Taxation**

The Fund has received a ruling from the Dutch tax authorities that it is eligible for an exemption from corporate income tax (The Fund is a "vrijgestelde beleggingsinstelling" or "VBI"), under the terms of legislation passed through The Netherlands' Parliament on 1 August 2007. Related to this the Fund is also exempt from withholding any taxes due on any dividends paid to its shareholders.

#### **Events after the reporting period**

The financial statements are adjusted to reflect material events that occurred between the end of the reporting period and the date when the financial statements are authorized for issue, provided they give evidence of conditions that existed at the reporting date. Material events that are indicative of conditions that arose after the balance sheet date are disclosed, but do not result in an adjustment of the financial statements themselves.

# 29. Significant accounting estimates and judgment in applying accounting policies

Application of the accounting policies in the preparation of the financial statements requires the Fund Manager to apply judgment involving assumptions and estimates concerning future results and other developments, including the likelihood, timing or amount of future transactions or events. There can be no assurance that actual results will not materially differ from those estimates. Accounting policies that are critical to the financial statement presentation and that require complex estimates or significant judgment are described below.

<u>Valuation of financial instruments:</u> The fair value measurement of financial instruments may include valuation based on non-market observable inputs, for instance where the Fund invests with maturities longer than those available on the market or when there are no markets at all. The valuation process of such investments is organized as follows.

The Fund Manager applies the commonly used, standard methodology (Discounted Cash Flow) for calculating the net present value of the Cross Currency Interest Rate Swaps (CCIRS) and foreign currency forward contracts. The procedure is as follows:

- Market data is gathered and processed in accordance with approved sources by the Fund's back office.
- From the curve-building algorithm, discount factors are derived for each leg of the CCIRS or forward contract.
- For each leg, if the future cash flows are known (in the case of fixed-rate products) these future cash flows are discounted using the discount factors referred to above to arrive at the net present value of the leg.

- For each leg, if the future cash flows are unknown (in the case of floating-rate products) the back office calculates forward rates from the discount factors; then, using the forward rates, the back office calculates the expected cash flows. Expected cash flows are discounted using the discount factors to arrive at the net present value of the leg.
- The net present value of the non-USD leg (or non-EUR leg when applicable) is converted to USD (EUR, respectively) at the market observable spot rate.
- The fair value of the CCIRS and foreign currency forward contracts to the Fund is obtained by subtracting the net present value of the paying leg from the receivable leg.

The resulting valuation is compared with the independently derived valuation of the Risk Monitor using a similar approach. The Risk Monitor circulates a plausibility report to the Fund Manager on a monthly basis. All differences greater than 1% at individual transaction level are cross-checked and ironed-out where justified.

# Other Information

# **Proposal for profit appropriation**

Appropriation of profit will be determined in accordance with articles 29 and 31 of the Articles of Association of the Fund. The relevant provisions read as follows:

#### Article 29

- 1. The Fund shall ensure that the annual accounts, the annual report, the report of the Supervisory Board, insofar instituted pursuant to article 20, and the information to be added by virtue of the law are held at its office as from the day on which the annual meeting is convened. Shareholders, and beneficiaries of a life interest in shares to whom the right to vote the shares accrue, may inspect the documents at that place and shall obtain a copy thereof, free of charge.
- 2. The general meeting shall adopt the annual accounts. The annual accounts may not be adopted in the event that the general meeting has been unable to inspect the auditor's statement referred to in article 27, paragraph 4, unless a legal ground is given in the information required to be added by law for the lack of the auditor's statement referred to in article 27, paragraph 4.
- 3. Unconditional adoption of the annual accounts shall not automatically serve to constitute a discharge of the members of the statutory managing board for the management, and of the members of the Supervisory Board, insofar instituted pursuant to article 20, for their supervision, insofar as such management of supervision is apparent from the annual accounts. The general meeting shall resolve such a discharge separately.
- **4.** The provisions of these articles of association regarding the annual report and the information to be added by virtue of the law need not be applied if the Fund is a member of a group and all other relevant requirements of the law have been met.

#### Article 31

- 1. The statutory managing board shall determine which part of the profits shall be reserved by allocating that part to each relevant dividend reserve that corresponded with the relevant class of shares.
- 2. The profits that are not reserved in accordance with paragraph 1 shall be at the disposal of the general meeting.
- **3.** Dividends may be paid only up to an amount, which does not exceed the amount of the distributable part of the net assets.
- 4. Dividends shall be paid after adoption of the annual accounts from which it appears that payment of dividends is permissible.
- 5. The general meeting may resolve to pay an interim dividend provided the requirement of the second paragraph has been complied with as shown by interim accounts drawn up in accordance with the provision of the law.
- **6.** The general meeting may be subject to due observance of the provision of paragraph 2 resolve to make distributions to the charge of any reserve which need not be maintained by virtue of the law.
- 7. For the computation of the profit distribution, the shares held by the Fund in its own capital shall not be included.

#### In Control Statement

The Managing Board of TCX Investment Management Company B.V. (TIM or the Fund Manager) confirms that, as sole member of the Statutory Managing Board of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V. (TCX or the Fund), it is responsible for the risk management, internal control, integrity, and compliance systems of the Fund.

The Fund and TIM have entered into a long-term services agreement with each other and a number of operational partners to appropriately manage the Fund's systems and risks. These partners notably include Cardano Risk Management B.V. regarding risk monitoring; DLM Finance B.V., regarding back office, valuation and fund administration services; and Compliance Advies Financiële Ondernemingen regarding compliance services. Together with TIM, these unrelated parties form the TCX Operational Group.

All material processes relating to TCX's operational management, including responsibilities assigned within the TCX Operational Group in each step of TCX's management processes and the risk assessment thereof, are described in the TCX Operational Guidelines. All of the Fund's operational processes are designed for compliance with the AIFMD. These guidelines are reviewed annually at least, each review possibly resulting in amendments signed off by all members of the TCX Operational Group. All service agreements with members of the TCX Operational Group require compliance with these guidelines. Each member of the TCX Operational Group provides us with an annual statement of compliance and control concerning TCX's operations during the previous financial year.

TCX's operations are managed on the basis of strict segregation of duties, with the various members of the TCX Operational Group assuming specific responsibilities. As a result, TCX's processes have an elaborate system of built-in operational checks. All material data entry is subject to a 4-eyes principle, either systemenforced or by means of written confirmations of required checks. The segregation of responsibilities is achieved, at its highest level, through independent reporting by the Fund Manager, Risk Monitor and External Compliance Officer to the TCX Supervisory Board.

All of TCX's processes include periodic controls on the effectiveness of their functioning and compliance with agreed procedures and recording. An important control function is reserved to the quarterly reviews of the External Compliance Officer. These were performed in 2018 for each calendar quarter. No review identified the occurrence of an incident, control issue or concern of any material nature. Another important reference is the annual operational audit, completed on 18 March 2019 by Solutional Assurance Services B.V., the Fund's operational auditor, in cooperation with the Fund's financial auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V. The scope of the operational audit was to report on the design and effectiveness of all material controls identified in the Operational Guidelines, including those related to the preparation of the financial statements. The result was an unqualified audit opinion on the Fund's ISAE 3402 Type II report, which confirmed that the control framework of the Fund is designed appropriately and is operating effectively in all material aspects.

TCX performs regular risk assessments with input from all TCX Operational Group members. The main high-level risk issues affecting TCX are as follows:

Regulatory risk: TCX operates in an environment that has become increasingly regulated since the 2008 financial crisis, in Europe, the United States, and elsewhere. These regulations have an impact at the market, entity, and product levels, and their breadth, depth, and evolving nature pose an ongoing challenge for TCX. TCX manages these regulatory compliance risks by acquiring the necessary subject-matter expertise from legal, financial, and other advisers in support of its Internal Compliance Officer, who is responsible for the periodic review of all key agreements, policies, and processes to ensure full compliance at all times, with monthly updates to the Risk Management Committee and quarterly updates to the TCX Supervisory Board.

**Reputational risk:** TCX's business model gives rise to client, supplier, and employee acceptance issues that require careful attention to ensure that the Fund's reputation as a quality provider of financial services remains intact at all times. TCX manages these issues through strict adherence to the Fund's code of conduct, know-your-client, anti-money laundering, and environmental & sustainability policies and procedures. Compliance with these procedures is reported on a quarterly basis to the TCX Supervisory Board.

<u>Credit risk:</u> TCX's business model requires active management of the counterparty credit risks that inevitably arise from its investment activities. TCX manages these risks through suitable client selection criteria and by submitting regular credit reviews to the Risk Management Committee, imposing minimum credit rating standards, setting maximum credit limits, and using collateral, guarantees and/or hedges to minimize or reduce the exposure under these limits. Reporting frequency by the Risk Monitor is weekly to the senior management of the Fund Manager, monthly to the Risk Management Committee, and periodically to the TCX Supervisory Board.

Market risk: TCX's business model, based on continued enforcement of diversification, requires good market information, careful balancing of exposures and excellent administrative systems. Inappropriate market risk management leads, among other things, to mispricing of transactions and misjudgment of the Fund's NAV. TCX manages these issues through a system of separate evaluation of market data between the back-office and risk management (both pre-trade and post-trade), as well as frequent plausibility checks between the two (at least monthly). Risk management monitors exposures and quotes against agreed limits on a real-time basis, with weekly reporting by the Risk Monitor to the senior management of the Fund Manager, monthly reporting to the Risk Management Committee, and periodic reporting to the Supervisory Board.

<u>Operational risk:</u> TCX is managed by a group of companies relying on each other's compliance with pre-agreed procedures that are drafted to cover all material operational processes. Material risk is that responsibilities may not be appropriately allocated and/or understood, or that agreed processes that have been designed to appropriately safeguard against human error, internal fraud and other operational risks are not followed. Compliance is enforced within the steps of these processes (4-eyes principle) as well as through periodic internal and external controls.

**Business continuity:** TCX is reliant on several IT systems run by the TCX Operational Group, notably its back-office management systems, its risk monitoring systems, and its intranet and website. Mismanagement of IT risks could lead to continuity issues, breaches of payment obligations, and to the loss of data integrity and cash flows. Each member of the TCX Operational Group therefore has in place business continuity and disaster recovery plans that ensure the continuity of business-critical processes. These plans are tested periodically.

During 2018, TCX experienced no new credit loss, no NAV valuation incidents, no compliance incidents, and no material operational incidents.

In conclusion, we therefore confirm:

- that TCX has designed an adequate set of documented management controls that are appropriate to its business;
- that, based on the periodic checks that have been performed and reported on by the TCX Operational Group, and based on our direct observations of processes on an on-going basis, it is our belief that these controls exist and have functioned effectively during the financial year ending 31 December 2018;
- that no material issues or incidents have occurred in the financial year ending 31 December 2018;
- that no activities have been reported to us that are in conflict with the TCX Code of Conduct (as adopted in the current Operational guidelines); and
- that we do not expect to significantly adjust the basis of TCX's set-up in 2019.

Amsterdam, 4 April 2019

The Managing Board of TCX Investment Management Company B.V.

Ruurd Brouwer, Chief Executive Officer Bert van Lier, Chief Investment Officer Brice Ropion, Chief Operating Officer

# **Depositary Report**

#### **Considering that**

- The Bank of New York Mellon SA/NV, Amsterdam branch ("the depositary") is appointed to act as depositary of The Currency Exchange Fund NV ("the fund") in accordance with section 21(1) of the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (2011/61/EU) (the "AIFM Directive"):
- Such appointment and the mutual rights and obligations of the fund manager and the depositary of the fund have been agreed upon in the depositary agreement dated the 21st of December 2015 between such parties, including the schedules to that agreement (the "depositary agreement");
- The depositary issues this statement exclusively to the fund manager in relation to the activities of the fund manager and relates to the period 1st of January 2018 up to and including 31st of December 2018, ("the period").

#### Responsibilities of the depositary

The depositary acts as a depositary within the meaning of the AIFM Directive and provide its services in accordance with the AIFM Directive, the EU implementing regulation, applicable Dutch laws and regulations and the policy rules issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority and the Dutch Financial Markets Authority (the "regulations"). The responsibilities of the depositary have been described in the agreement and include, in addition to the safekeeping, recordkeeping and ownership verification tasks (as defined in article 21(8) AIFM Directive), several monitoring and oversight tasks (as defined in article 21(7) and 21(9) AIFM Directive):

- Monitoring of the fund's cash flows, including identification of significant and inconsistent cash flows and reconciliation of the cash flows with the fund's administration;
- Ensuring that the sale, issue, re-purchase, redemption, cancellation and valuation of units or shares of the fund are carried out in accordance with the applicable national law and the fund documentation:
- Ensuring that in transactions involving the fund's assets any consideration is remitted to the fund within the usual time limits;
- Validating if the fund is managed in compliance with the investment restrictions and leverage limits as defined in the fund documentation.

#### **Statement of the Depositary**

The depositary has carried out such activities during the period as considered necessary to fulfil its responsibilities as depositary of the fund. The depositary is of the opinion that, based on the information made available and the explanations provided by the fund manager, in all material respects, the fund manager has carried out its activities which are in scope of the monitoring and oversight duties of the depositary, in accordance with the regulations and the fund documentation.

#### Miscellaneous

This statement does not create, and is not intended to create, any right for a person or an entity that is not a party to the depositary agreement.

Amsterdam, February 27, 2019

The Bank of New York Mellon SA/NV, Amsterdam branch

## **Independent Auditor's report**

To: the general meeting and supervisory board of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V.

Our opinion In our opinion, The Currency Exchange Fund N.V.'s financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2018, and of its result and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union (EU-IFRS) and with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code. In our opinion the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V. as at 31 December 2017, and of its result and its cash flows for 2017 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union (EU-IFRS) and Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

What we have audited We have audited the accompanying financial statements 2018 of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V., Amsterdam ('the Company').

The financial statements comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2018;
- the following statements for 2018: the statements of comprehensive income, changes in net assets attributable to holders of redeemable shares Class A and cash flows; and
- the notes, comprising the significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework applied in the preparation of the financial statements is EU-IFRS and the relevant provisions of Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

The basis for our opinion We conducted our audit in accordance with Dutch law, including the Dutch Standards on Auditing. We have further described our responsibilities under those standards in the section 'Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' of our report.

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

Independence We are independent of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V. in accordance with the 'Wet toezicht accountantsorganisaties' (Wta, Audit firms supervision act), the 'Verordening inzake de onafhankelijkheid van accountants bij assuranceopdrachten' (ViO - Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, a regulation with respect to independence) and other relevant independence requirements in the Netherlands. Furthermore, we have complied with the 'Verordening gedrags- en beroepsregels accountants' (VGBA - Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, a regulation with respect to rules of professional conduct).

#### Report on other information included in the annual report

In addition to the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, the annual report contains other information that consists of:

- general information;
- letter from the supervisory board;
- o letter from the managing board;
- business overview;
- o governance and ownership;
- o in control statement;
- depositary report;
- o members of the supervisory board;
- members of the managing board;
- o members of the pricing committee; and
- the other information pursuant to Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

Based on the procedures performed as set out below, we conclude that the other information:

- o is consistent with the financial statements and does not contain material misstatements;
- o contains the information that is required by Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

We have read the other information. Based on our knowledge and understanding obtained in our audit of the financial statements or otherwise, we have considered whether the other information contains material misstatements. By performing our procedures, we comply with the requirements of Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code and the Dutch Standard 720. The scope of such procedures was substantially less than the scope of those performed in our audit of the financial statements.

The managing board is responsible for the preparation of the other information, including the letter from the managing board and the other information in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

#### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

#### Responsibilities of the managing board and the supervisory board for the financial statements

The managing board is responsible for:

- the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with EU-IFRS and with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code; and for
- such internal control as the managing board determines is necessary to enable the preparation
  of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or
  error

As part of the preparation of the financial statements, the managing board is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Based on the financial reporting frameworks mentioned, the managing board should prepare the financial statements using the going-concern basis of accounting unless the managing board either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. The managing board should disclose events and circumstances that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in the financial statements.

The supervisory board is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements Our responsibility is to plan and perform an audit engagement in a manner that allows us to obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for our opinion. Our audit opinion aims to provide reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. Reasonable assurance is a high but not absolute level of assurance, which makes it possible that we may not detect all misstatements. Misstatements may arise due to fraud or error. They are considered to be material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

Materiality affects the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and the evaluation of the effect of identified misstatements on our opinion.

A more detailed description of our responsibilities is set out in the appendix to our report.

Rotterdam, 4 April 2019

#### PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V.

signed by F.J. van Groenestein RA

# Appendix to our auditor's report on the financial statements 2018 of The Currency Exchange Fund N.V.

In addition to what is included in our auditor's report, we have further set out in this appendix our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements and explained what an audit involves.

The auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements We have exercised professional judgement and have maintained professional scepticism throughout the audit in accordance with Dutch Standards on Auditing, ethical requirements and independence requirements. Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Our audit consisted, among other things of the following:

- Identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the intentional override of internal control.
- Obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Company's internal control.
- Evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the managing board.
- O Concluding on the appropriateness of the managing board's use of the going-concern basis of accounting, and based on the audit evidence obtained, concluding whether a material uncertainty exists related to events and/or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report and are made in the context of our opinion on the financial statements as a whole. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluating the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and evaluating whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the supervisory board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

# **Members of the Supervisory Board**

The appointment of Supervisory Board members is subject to the approval of the General Meeting and of the Financial Markets Authority of the Netherlands. The Supervisory Board presently consists of the following individuals:

#### Mr. Arthur Arnold, Chairman

Since 2009 Arthur Arnold has been an independent non-executive director for, or advisor to, several companies, financial institutions and investment funds in Africa, in different market segments including micro-finance, consumer finance and SME finance. Prior to this he was CEO of FMO (from 2005 to 2008), and President and CEO of WOCCU, The World Council of Credit Unions (from 2000 to 2004). His earlier career was in commercial and investment banking, as Director of Financial Markets and Chairman of the Managing Board of Rabobank International (from 1992 to 1999), and with ABN AMRO Bank (from 1968 to 1992), where he worked in Africa, the Middle East, Europe and the USA, and his last position was EVP Corporate Finance in Amsterdam. He studied Economics at Erasmus University, and has attended senior management and executive training programs at Harvard Business School and INSEAD. He joined the TCX Supervisory Board in May 2012.

#### Mr. Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede

Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede is Chairman of Coronation Capital Ltd., an Africa-focused equity and proprietary investment firm that he founded in 2014 and operates out of Nigeria and Mauritius. Between 2002 and 2013, he was Group Managing Director and CEO of Access Bank Plc., responsible for transforming the bank into a top-5 leadership position in Nigeria, with assets of USD 12 billion and 350 branches employing 20,000 staff in 9 countries. Prior to this he was an Executive Director at Guaranty Trust Bank Plc. (1991-2002) and an Assistant Manager at Prime Merchant Bank Ltd. (1989-1991). His achievements include chairing presidential and banking industry committees in Nigeria, and founding an OTC exchange that specializes in fixed income securities and derivatives. His awards include Commander of the Order of the Niger, Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year (West Africa), and African Banker Magazine's "African Banker of the Year". He is President of the Nigeria Stock Exchange and a member of the Nigerian Bar. He holds law degrees from the University of Benin and the Nigerian Law School, and is currently a MBA candidate at the London School of Economics. He joined the TCX Supervisory Board in December 2015.

#### Mr. Marcus Fedder

Marcus Fedder is a non-executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of the International Finance Facility for Immunization. He has been involved with microfinance since 2009, including co-founding a MIV, serving on the investment committee of an impact investor, and serving as a non-executive director for two MFIs. Prior to this, he built a 20-year career in international banking and development finance, including appointments as Vice Chair of Toronto Dominion Securities with responsibility for all businesses in Europe and Asia-Pacific, and Treasurer of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). He has worked at the World Bank advising governments and central banks on debt and asset and liability management, and at CIBC and Deutsche Bank in interest and currency derivatives. He holds a PhD in politics from the Freie Universitaet Berlin, and post graduate degrees in international relations from Cambridge and the London School of Economics. He joined the TCX Supervisory Board in January 2017.

#### Mr. Bernd Loewen, Vice Chairman

Bernd Loewen currently oversees finance, the internal organization and consulting division and information technology within the Executive Board of KfW Group. He joined the Executive Board in July 2009 and initially was accountable for the risk and finance departments at KfW up to the separation of the CRO and CFO function as of January 1, 2016. Prior to joining KfW, he spent 5 years as Member of the Management Board for Investment Banking and Treasury of mBank SA in Poland, and 10 years in increasingly senior commercial and non-commercial positions at Commerzbank in Germany and the USA. He holds the equivalent of a MBA from Westfälische Wilhelms Universität Münster, and is an Advisory Member of the Steering Committee of the Federal Agency for Financial Market Stabilization in Frankfurt, Germany. He joined the TCX Supervisory Board in May 2014.

#### Mrs. Lakshmi Shvam-Sunder

Lakshmi Shyam-Sunder was appointed Vice President and Chief Risk Officer of the World Bank Group in 2014. She was previously Chief Financial Officer and Director, Finance and Risk, at the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA), the political and credit enhancement arm of the World Bank Group. Prior to joining MIGA in 2011, she held a variety of positions at the International Finance Corporation, including Director for Corporate Risk. Before joining the World Bank Group, she was a faculty member of the MIT Sloan School of Management, where she had previously obtained a Ph.D in Finance. She also served on the faculty of the Tuck School of Business Administration. She has consulted for a wide range of institutions in the USA and in emerging markets, and has been on the board and finance and risk committees of several institutions in these markets. She joined the TCX Supervisory Board in May 2015.

#### Expiry dates of the mandates of the members of the Supervisory Board

Mr. Bernd Loewen May 2022 (end of second term; not renewable)

Mrs. Lakshmi Shyam-Sunder May 2019 (renewable for a second term)

Mr. Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede December 2019 (renewable for a second term)

Mr. Arthur Arnold May 2020 (end of second term; not renewable)

Mr. Marcus Fedder January 2021 (renewable for a second term)

#### Membership of the sub-committees of the Supervisory Board

#### **Audit Committee**

Mr. Bernd Loewen (Chair)

Mr. Marcus Fedder

#### **Compliance Committee**

All Supervisory Board members

Mr. Brice Ropion, Internal Compliance Officer, TCX Investment Management Company B.V. (non-voting)

Mr. Arjan van der Heiden, External Compliance Officer, Compliance Advies (non-voting)

#### **Remuneration Committee**

Mrs. Lakshmi Shyam-Sunder (Chair)

Mr. Arthur Arnold

#### **Risk Oversight Committee**

Mr. Marcus Fedder (Chair)

Mr. Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede

Mr. Ruurd Brouwer, CEO, TCX Investment Management Company B.V. (non-voting)

Mr. Harald Naus, CEO, Cardano Risk Management B.V. (non-voting)

# **Members of the Managing Board**

The Fund's sole director and managing board member is its Fund Manager, TCX Investment Management Company B.V. ("TIM"). The appointment of TIM Managing Board members is subject to the approval of the TCX Supervisory Board and the Financial Markets Authority of the Netherlands. The current members are as follows:

#### Mr. Ruurd Brouwer, Chief Executive Officer

Ruurd Brouwer joined TIM in 2014 and has overall responsibility for the management of the Fund, including its growth strategy, capital structure, and investor relations. Prior to joining TIM, he worked for 16 years at FMO, the Dutch development bank, in various positions including Director of Investment & Mission Review (and Chair of FMO's Credit Committee), Director of Financial Institutions, and Director of Africa & Government Funds. Prior to FMO he was a Policy Official at the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He has been active as a supervisory board member and investment committee member of financial institutions and investment funds focused on Africa,<sup>11</sup> and as a guest lecturer at the Erasmus School of Economics and The Hague University of Applied Sciences, teaching on financial stability, banking, risk management, and developing economies. He holds a Master in International Finance from the University of Amsterdam.

#### Mr. Bert van Lier, Chief Investment Officer

Bert van Lier joined TIM in 2008 and is responsible for TCX's commercial activities, including origination, structuring, pricing, trading and portfolio management and strategy. Prior to joining TIM, he built a varied 18-year career at ING Bank, including 5 years as Managing Director responsible for Structured Product Sales in The Netherlands, and Global Equity Derivative Sales. He holds a MBA from Tilburg University and an Executive Master of Finance and Control from VU University Amsterdam.

#### Mr. Brice Ropion, Chief Operating Officer

Brice Ropion joined TIM in 2010 and is responsible for TCX's non-commercial activities, including risk, compliance, fund operations and valuation, financial administration and accounting, and audit and control. Prior to joining TIM, he built a 20-year career at ABN AMRO Bank, including 8 years in portfolio and risk management functions with a focus on financial institutions, and 12 years in commercial and branch management functions in the bank's international division. He holds a Master in International Affairs from George Washington University, and a Bachelor in Economics and Political Science from Cornell University

# **Members of the Pricing Committee**

The members of the Pricing Committee are appointed by the TCX Supervisory Board. The current members are as follows:

#### Mr. Nikolaus Siegfried, Chairman

Nikolaus Siegfried has been a partner at SlowerCapital in Berlin, Germany, since 2013. SlowerCapital specialises on economies of frontier markets, including country risk, banking sector and financial market development. Nikolaus also advises clients on private equity and loan deals in these markets. Before setting up SlowerCapital, Nikolaus was Associate Director at LandesBank Berlin (2010-2013), consultant at Artemis Investment Management (2009-2010), Assistant Portfolio Manager/Economist at Thames River Capital LLP (2005-2009), Economist at the European Central Bank (2002-2005), and Research Associate at Merrill Lynch (2001). Nikolaus holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Hamburg and a Masters in Middle-East Studies from the Free University, Berlin. He joined the TCX Pricing Committee in September 2010 and was appointed Chairman in December 2017.

#### Mr. Sebastian Espinosa

Sebastian Espinosa is the Managing Director of White Oak Advisory Limited, a firm he co-founded in 2009. White Oak Advisory is one of the world's leading providers of financial advice on matters relating to sovereign debt and public finances. Its clients include governments, central banks, state-owned enterprises, and financial institutions active in the sovereign debt markets. Prior to this, he was Managing Director of Houlihan Lokey in London, a firm specialized in providing financial advice on sovereign debt restructuring, liability management, and other debt and funding-related matters. From 2000 to 2005, he was a Director in the Sovereign Advisory unit of UBS Investment Bank in London. His earlier career was spent as an Associate Director in the Sovereign Ratings team of Fitch IBCA Ltd. and as an Economist in The Economist Intelligence Unit Ltd (EIU). He holds a M.Phil in Development Studies and a BA in Philosophy with Politics from the University of Sussex. He joined the TCX Pricing Committee in February 2018.

#### Mr. Peter Redward

Peter Redward started Redward Associates Ltd. in September 2011. Redward Associates provides independent research on economic and financial market developments in the Asia-Pacific region. Their clients include a range of investment managers – both leveraged and unleveraged – sovereign wealth funds and banks, located in major global financial centers. Prior to this, he was managing director, head of EM Asia Research at Barclays Capital (2006-2011), portfolio manager at Citadel Investment Group (2005-2006), director, head of EM Currency Research at Deutsche Bank AG (1998-2005), and senior research officer at the Reserve Bank of New Zealand (1995-1998). He holds a Masters in Economics from the University of Auckland, and joined the Pricing Committee in September 2016.

#### Mr. Louis Sabatino

Louis Sabatino is a former Director and Head of Africa Debt Capital Markets for Westlb. Operating out of Johannesburg, he spent 14 years at Westlb, tasked with developing a non-South African trading and capital markets presence in Africa, including creating and managing active trading books in bonds, money market and derivatives in 12 currencies, and trading local treasury debt and hard currency trade debt, Eurobonds and distressed debt in 20 other African countries. Prior to this, he had been head the Africa desk and head of FX Treasury at Standard Merchant Bank. On leaving Westlb, he became a consultant to Exotix Partners LlP in Johannesburg, to help them implement a local currency fixed income trading capability across the Sub Saharan African domestic capital markets. Currently self-employed, he serves as a non-executive director and investment committee member of Africa GFI Fund Advisors in Mauritius, a fund focused on the African local markets, and on the investment committee of Frontier Clearing Management B.V., a fund that issues credit support guarantees in support of inter-bank trading activities in the emerging markets. He joined the Pricing Committee in October 2013.

#### Mr. Vincenzo Zinni

Vincenzo Zinni started his banking career in 1997 when he joined the Emerging Markets research team at Credit Suisse First Boston (CSFB) and helped build an econometric model able to predict emerging markets currency crises. He then moved into the Global Strategy team where he worked with Jonathan Wilmot and contributed to the development of the Risk Appetite Index and the World Wealth Index. Both indexes were widely used in CSFB and the industry for positioning and investment purposes. In 2000, he moved to CSFB's Emerging Markets Sales and Distribution team where he held various positions. In 2006, he was promoted to Head of EMEA Emerging Markets Sales, a position he held until 2009 when he was promoted to run the CEEMEA Sales and Coverage team, a position he held until 2014 when he left Credit Suisse. In March 2015, he joined the Noble Group, where he is the Head of Asia Treasury and Trade Finance and held positions in London and eventually moved to Singapore to run the group. In July 2017 Vincenzo left Noble Group and moved back to the UK and set up his own Advisory business focusing on the Commodity Markets. Vincenzo has been actively involved in Empower, an emerging markets charity. He holds a Master in Economics from CORIPE in Turin, and a Degree in Economics and Banking from the University of Siena. He joined the Pricing Committee in June 2014.

#### Mr. Bert van Lier

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