

Balance Sheet Trends 2017 Assets

The balance sheet total for 2017 was EUR 6,478,500,000. Compared with 2016, this was a 6.5 per cent increase, or EUR 393.2 million.

Receivables from credit institutions have grown by EUR 299.4 million or 14.0 per cent. At balance sheet date, receivables with the Raiffeisen Bankengruppe Vorarlberg totalled 57.9 per cent, or EUR 1,413,100,000 (2016: 71.0 per cent or EUR 1,522,300,000). Receivables with the Raiffeisen Bank International AG totalled EUR 593.7 million (2016: EUR 447.1 million). The share of foreign currency (especially in Swiss francs) totalled 39.2 per cent or EUR 965,500,000 (2016: EUR 1,014,700,000 or 47.3 per cent).

Receivables from customers increased by EUR 29.1 million or 2.0 per cent to EUR 1,472,500,000. In spite of an economically challenging environment, loans to commercial and private customers increased. The share of this balance sheet item in foreign currency at 31/12/2017 was 10.0 per cent or EUR 147.0 million (2016: 14.3 per cent or EUR 205.8 million). Compared to the previous year, the share of foreign currencies of receivables from customers decreased by 4.3 per cent.

Securities portfolios decreased slightly by 84.2 million to EUR 2,114,600,000. At balance sheet date, the securities in question totalled 97.6 per cent or EUR 2,063,900,000 from debentures and other fixed-interest securities. The share of tenderable securities totalled EUR 2,034,500,000.

EUR 179.3 million. The highest participation is in the Raiffeisen Bank International AG with an accounting value of EUR 148.5 million.

Other assets include intangible fixed assets, fixed assets, other assets, prepaid expenses/accruals, deferred taxes, cash on hand and cash balances with central banks. Compared to the previous year, the change was mainly due to cash balances with central banks.

Assets in EUR Million

(rounded)

	2017	2016	+/-	in %
Balance Sheet Total	6,478.5	6,085.3	+393.2	+6.5
Receivables from Banks	2,442.5	2,143.1	+299.4	+14.0
Receivables from Customers	1,472.5	1,443.4	+29.1	+2.0
Fixed-Interest and Non-Fixed-Interest Securities	2,114.6	2,198.8	-84.2	-3.8
Participations	179.3	178.4	+0.9	+0.5
Other Assets	269.7	121.6	+148.1	+121.8

Structure of Balance Sheet Assets in EUR Million



Balance Sheet Trends 2017 Liabilities

Liabilities with banks increased by EUR 332.1 million or 9.6 per cent to EUR 3,776,400,000. At 31/12/2017, liabilities totalled 29.5 per cent or EUR 1,113,300,000 (2016: 31.4 per cent or EUR 1,082.5 million) with the RBGV, 0.1 per cent or EUR 3.1 million (2016: 1 per cent or EUR 35.6 million) with the Raiffeisen Bank International AG and 6.4 per cent or EUR 240.1 million (2016: 7.4 per cent or EUR 255.4 million) with the remaining Raiffeisen Bank sector in Austria. The share of liabilities in foreign currency totalled 7.9 per cent or EUR 299,300,000 (2016: 29.1 per cent or EUR 1,002.1 million).

Liabilities with customers remained almost the same at EUR 882.7 million. At balance sheet date liabilities consisted of savings of EUR 65.3 million (2016: EUR 67.3 million), fixed-term deposits of EUR 471.1 million (2016: EUR 514.5 million) and sight deposits.

Securitised liabilities increased by EUR 53.7 million or 3.9 per cent to EUR 1,430,700,000. This item includes the Bank's own securities as issued. The share of covered bonds totalled 36.8 per cent or EUR 527 million (2016: 25.8 per cent or EUR 355 million).

In the period under review, **provisions** decreased by EUR 1.1 million to EUR 25.3 million. The basic details on provisions are included in Point 1.3.2.11., "Provisions and Other Liabilities", in the Appendix to the annual financial statement.

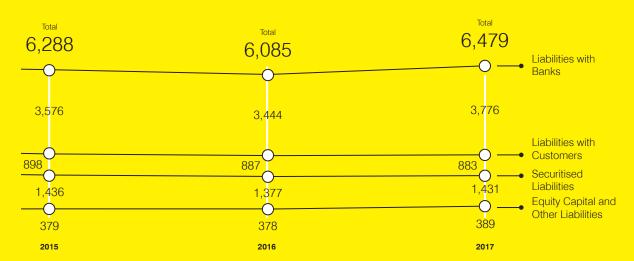
At 31/12/2017 the **equity capital** shown in the balance sheet totalled EUR 310.0 million. The net income for the year 2017, which is included in this item, totalled EUR 16.4 million.

Liabilities in EUR Million

(rounded)

	2017	2016	+ / -	in %
Balance Sheet Total	6,478.5	6,085.3	+393.2	+6.5
Liabilities with Banks	3,776.4	3,444.3	+332.1	+9.6
Liabilities with Customers	882.7	886.5	-3.7	-0.4
Securitised Liabilities	1,430.7	1,376.9	+53.7	+3.9
Provisions	25.3	26.4	-1.1	-4.2
Equity/Net Income for the Year	310.0	294.1	+15.9	+5.4
Other Liabilities	53.4	57.1	-3.7	-6.4

Structure of Balance Sheet Liabilities in EUR Million



Net interest income earned in 2017 was EUR 31.1 million, 5.2 per cent higher than 2016. The share of the net interest income earned by the RLBV's own customer business (business divisions of the Raiffeisenbank Bregenz and RLB's corporate customers) is 48.7 per cent (55 per cent in 2016). The interest result based on these business divisions was under ongoing pressure due to the negative money market rates. The margins of the savings deposit business were negative again (like 2016). On the other hand, loan rates showed a slight improvement. Interbanking and Treasury developed positively and resulted in clear improvements compared to the previous year.

Revenue from securities and participations includes revenue from investment funds and other non-fixed-interest securities of EUR 0.9 million (2016: EUR 0.9 million) and dividends from participations of EUR 3.4 million (2016: EUR 3.0 million). The RBI, definitely being the most important participation, has paid dividends neither for 2017 nor 2016. The growth results from the other participations.

Net commission income decreased by EUR 0.4 million or 4.4 per cent compared with 2016. The core area of the commission business (procurement of securities, monetary transactions, building loan contracts and insurance contracts) showed positive development. On the other hand, higher commissions had to be paid in the treasury business.

Other operating revenue increased by EUR 0.9 million, which means a total of EUR 13.0 million. This results on one hand from the sale of real estate property, on the other hand from the omission of a one-time earning based on derivative business ratings.

Total operating revenue increased, compared with 2016, by EUR 2.6 million or 4.6 per cent to EUR 58.7 million.

Personnel expenses decreased, compared with 2016, by EUR 1.0 million or 3.9 per cent. This decline was due to lower expenditures for personnel accruals as well as to reduced personnel costs.

Expenditure on materials and value adjustments on tangible assets decreased, compared with 2016, by 4.6 per cent and totalled EUR 11.7 million.

Other operating expenses

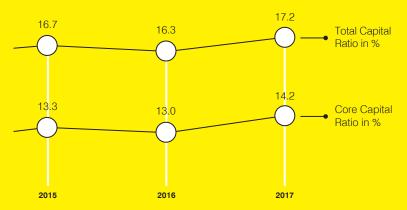
decreased, compared with 2016, by EUR 0.6 million. The amounts in this position resulting from derivatives valuation were reduced significantly compared to the previous year.

Profit situation 2017

in EUR Million	2017	2016	+/-	in %
Net Interest Income	31.1	29.6	+1.5	+5.2
Revenue from Securities and Participations	4.3	3.9	+0.4	+10.8
Commission Surplus	9.4	9.8	-0.4	-4.4
Revenue/Expenditure from Financial Transactions	0.9	0.8	+0.1	+9.9
Other Operating Revenue	13.0	12.1	+0.9	+7.9
Operating Revenue	58.7	56.2	+2.6	+4.6
Personnel Expenses	-24.1	-25.1	+1.0	-3.9
Material Expenses	-10.2	-10.9	+0.7	-6.4
Value Adjustments on Property. Plant & Equipment	-1.5	-1.3	-0.1	+10.5
Other Operating Expenses	-2.3	-2.9	+0.6	-19.6
Operating Expenses	-38.1	-40.2	+2.1	-5.2
Operational Result	20.6	16.0	+4.7	+29.2

This position contains the contribution to the Single Resolution Fund in the amount of EUR 1.8 million. Compared with 2016, operating expenses decreased by a total of EUR 2.1 million or 5.2 per cent. Higher operating earnings (EUR +2.6 million, or +4.6 per cent), reduced operating expenses (EUR -2.1 million or -5.2 per cent) led to a clearly improved result of EUR +4.7 million or +29.2 per cent. The total operating result is EUR 20.6 million.

Capital Base as of 2015



In million EUR (rounded)	2017	2016	+ / -	in %
Operating Result	20.6	16.0	+4.7	+29.2
Balance of additions to/disposals of value adjustments to receivables and provisions for contingent claims and credit risks	2.8	-13.9	+16.7	-120.4
Balance from additions to/disposals of value adjustments to securities valued as financial assets and to participations and shares in affiliated companies	1.5	7.9	-6.4	-80.8
Result of normal business activities (EBT)	25.0	10.1	+14.9	+148.6
Taxes before Income and Revenue	-5.0	17.6	-22.6	> 100.0
Other Taxes	-1.2	-16.8	+15.5	> 100.0
Net Profit for the Year	18.8	10.9	+7.9	+72.2

In 2017, valuation and sales revenue of the loans, securities and participations totalled EUR 4.4 million.

In 2017, additions to/disposals of value adjustments in the retail and corporate business sector totalled EUR 2.8 million. The actually identifiable risks of the Raiffeisenlandesbank Vorarlberg were assessed and adjusted in provisions for losses on loans. Compared with 2016, a clear improvement was achieved, resulting from a voluntary flat valuation adjustment in accordance with §57(1) of the Austrian Banking Act in the amount of EUR 14.8 million.

In 2017, the profit from valuation, redemption and sales revenue of the securities totalled EUR 0.8 million. The decrease compared with 2016 was due mainly to a one-off effect which was caused by the application of the Rechnungslegungsänderungsgesetz (RÄG 2014) which led to a strong upward revaluation of the securities portfolio.

The valuation revenue of the participations totalled EUR 0.8 million in 2017.

The result of normal business activity (EBT) in 2017 totalled EUR 25.0 million, which means an increase of 148.6 per cent or EUR 14.9 million compared with 2016.

Income taxes totalled EUR 5.0 million in 2017. The change compared to the previous year was due to special effects resulting in turn from the first application of the RÄG 2014 which led to the booking of deferred taxes.

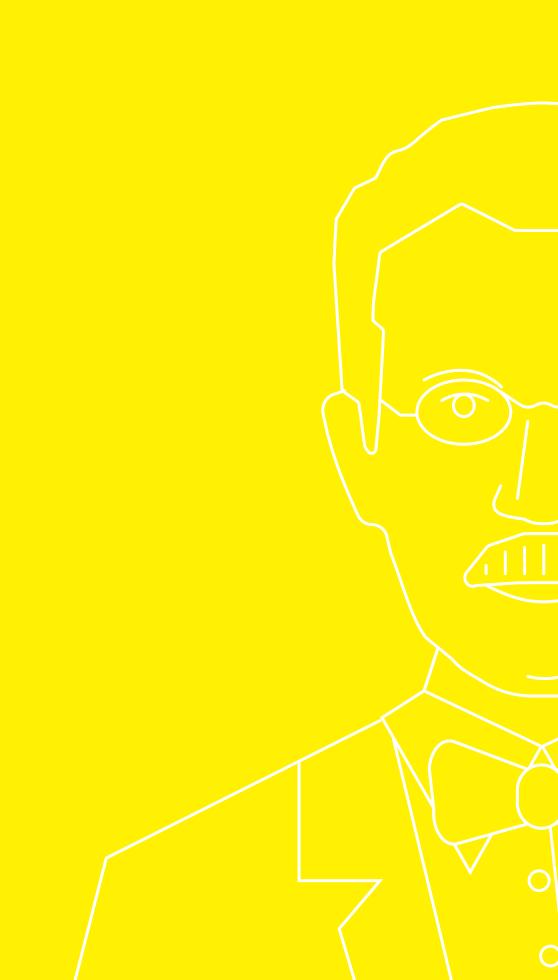
The other taxes of EUR 1.2 million include the Stability Charge to the Austrian government in the amount of EUR 1.2 million.

The **annual net profit** minus taxes earned in 2017 was EUR 18.8 mil-

lion. Of this figure, EUR 13.1 million were allocated to the reserves. The annual net profit minus the allocation to the reserves plus a profit brought forward from 2016 of EUR 10.7 million showed net earnings for 2017 of EUR 16.4 million.

Financial Performance Indicators

	2017	2016	+/-
Core Capital Ratio	14.2	13.0	+1.2 PP
Total Capital Ratio	17.2	16.3	+1.0 PP
Leverage Ratio	4.2	4.1	+0.1 PP
Cost-Income Ratio	64.9	71.6	-6.7 PP
Return on Equity (ROE) before Tax	8.9	3.7	+5.2 PP
Return on Assets (ROA) before Tax	0.4	0.2	+0.2 PP
Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) for the Li-Waiver-Group VLBG	177.3	124.5	+52.8 PP
Moody's Rating			
Bank Deposits	Baa1	Baa1	
Baseline Credit Assessment	baa3	baa3	
Outlook	Stable	Stable	
Cover Funds	Aaa	Aaa	





	ASSETS		EUR		2016 in EUR'000
1.	Cash on Hand, Balances at Central Banks and Post Office Banks		166,102,590.05		11,732
2.	Public Sector Debt Instruments and Bills of Exchange eligible for Refinancing at Central Banks		734,632,990.00		784,161
	a) public sector debt instruments and similar securities	734,632,990.00		784,161	
	b) bills of exchange eligible for refinancing at central banks	0.00		0	
3.	Receivables from Banks		2,442,488,116.49		2,143,098
	a) due daily	739,440,470.18		391,318	
	b) other receivables	1,703,047,646.31		1,751,780	
4.	Receivables from Customers		1,472,538,659.07		1,443,403
5.	Bonds and Other Fixed-Interest Securities		1,329,318,018.14		1,369,069
	a) from public issuers	0.00		0	
	b) from other issuers	1,329,318,018.14		1,369,069	
	including:				
	own debentures	0.00		0	
6.	Shares and other Non-Fixed-Interest Securities		50,614,353.92		45,544
7.	Participations		170,802,247.92		169,941
	including:				
	in banks	158,804,786.26		157,955	
8.	Shares in Affiliated Companies		8,462,636.74		8,463
	including:				
	in banks	0.00		0	
9.	Intangible Assets		358,437.35		204
10.	Tangible Fixed Assets		34,782,270.29		31,060
	including:				
	land and buildings used by the bank for its own activities	12,152,515.14		12,373	
11.	Shares in Companies with Controlling or Majority Holdings		0.00		0
	including:				
	nominal value	0.00		0	
12.	Other Assets		49,153,717.88		59,037
13.	Subscribed Capital Called But Not Yet Paid		0.00		0
14.	Prepaid Expenses and Accruals		1,020,671.35		1,263
	including:				
	Difference per Section 906, Subs, 33, Austrian Commercial Code	0.00		0	
15.	Deferred Taxes		18,257,654.84		18,309
	TOTAL ASSETS		6,478,532,364.04		6,085,284

	LIABILITIES		EUR	i	2016 in EUR '000
1.	Bank Liabilities		3,776,414,724.40		3,444,289
	a) due daily	1,020,580,533.03		1,000,163	
	b) with an agreed maturity or notice period	2,755,834,191.37		2,444,126	
2.	Liabilities with Customers		882,718,988.73		886,466
	a) savings deposits	65,295,199.16		67,301	
	including:				
	aa) due daily	0.00		0	
	bb) with an agreed maturity or notice period	65,295,199.16		67,301	
	b) other liabilities	817,423,789.57		819,165	
	including:			·	
	aa) due daily	346,297,073.20		304,642	
	bb) with an agreed maturity or notice period	471,126,716.37		514,522	
3.	Securitised Liabilities		1,430,677,866.55		1,376,936
	a) bonds issued	346,652,196.55		410,319	
	b) other securitised liabilities	1,084,025,670.00		966,617	
4.	Other Liabilities		51,260,340.64		54,154
5.	Prepaid Expenses.Accruals		2,156,040.34		2,942
	including:				
	revaluation reserves per Section 906, Subs, 32, Austrian	0.00			
	Commercial Code	0.00		0	
	Difference per Section 906 Subs, 34 Austrian Commercial Code	0.00		0	
6.	Provisions		25,322,363.00		26,442
	a) provisions for severance payments	4,974,057.91		4,879	
	b) provisions for pensions	6,818,723.62		7,279	
	c) tax accruals	5,316,964.14		215	
	d) other	8,212,617.33		14,069	
6a.	Funds for General Banking Risks		0.00		0
7.	Supplementary Capital per Part 2 Title I Chapter 4 of Regulation (EU) No, 575.2013		0.00		0
8.	Additional Core Capital per Part 2 Title I Chapter 3 of Regulation (EU) No, 575.2013		0.00		0
	including:				
	Compulsory Convertible Bonds per Section 26a Austrian Banking Act (BWG)	0.00		0	
8b.	Financial Instruments with no Voting Rights per Section 26a Austrian Banking Act (BWG)		55,832,667.68		55,833
9.	Subscribed Capital		22,108,936.00		22,109
10.	Capital Reserves		19,383,078.32		19,383
	a) fixed	19,383,078.32		19,383	
	b) not fixed	0.00		0	
11.	Profit & Loss Reserves		161,269,111.81		148,200
	a) statutory reserves	0.00		0	
	b) reserves prescribed by Articles of Association	5,004,550.24		5,005	
	c) other reserves	156,264,561.57		143,195	
12.	Liability Reserves per Section 57 Subs, 5 Austrian Banking Act (BWG)		35,006,202.28		35,006
13.	Net Income for the Year.Net Loss for the Year		16,382,044.29		13,524
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		6,478,532,364.04		6,085,284

ASSETS	EUR	2016 in EUR '000
Below-the-Line Items		
1. Foreign Assets	1.726.069.965.51	1.588.441

	LIABILITIES		EUR		2016 in EUR'000
	Below-the-Line Items				
1.	Contingent Liabilities		137,045,940.96		175,421
	including:				
	a) acceptances and endorsement liabilities on negotiated bills of exchange	0.00	0		
	b) liabilities from financial guarantees and liability from provision of collateral	137,028,848.36		175,404	
2.	Credit Risks		365,870,278.37		418,403
	including:				
	liabilities from pension repurchase agreements	0.00		0	
3.	Liabilities with Trust Transactions		0.00		0
4.	Attributable Equity Capital per Part 2 of Regulation (EU) No, 575/2013		348,939,468.80		345,865
	including:				
	 Supplementary Capital per Part 2 Title I Chapter 4 of Regulation (EU) No, 575/2013 	62,534,311.28		70,812	
5.	Capital Requirements per Art, 92 of Regulation (EU) No, 575/2013		2,023,502,464.37		2,123,766
	including:				
	a) Capital Requirements per Art, 92 Subs, 1 (a) of Regulation (EU) No, 575/2013 (core Tier 1 ratio in %)		14.15		12.95
	b) Capital Requirements per Art, 92 Subs, 1 (b) of Regulation (EU) No, 575/2013 (core capital ratio in %)		14.15		12.95
	c) Capital Requirements per Art, 92 Subs, 1 (c) of Regulation (EU) No, 575/2013 (total capital ratio in %)		17.24		16.29
6.	External Liabilities		2,187,816,711.48		2,167,800

	ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS		EUR		EUR '000
1.	Interest and Similar Income		70,322,784.37		86,297
	including:				
	from fixed-interest securities	38,688,483.33		44,423	
2.	Interest and Similar Expenses		-39,206,389.74		-56,725
I.	NET INTEREST INCOME		31,116,394.63		29,572
3.	Income from Securities and Participations		4,329,257.37		3,906
	a) income from shares, other equity interests and non-fixed-interest securities	883,004.34		946	
	b) income from participations	2,618,742.79		2,799	
	c) income from shares in affiliated companies	827,510.24		161	
4.	Commission Income		14,623,754.45		14,345
5.	Commission Expenses		-5,272,817.94		-4,562
6.	Revenue from . Expenditure on Financial Transactions		924,530.52		841
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7.	Other Operating Income		13,005,337.85		12,059
	OPERATING INCOME		58,726,456,88		56,161
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II.	OPERATING INCOME	-24,082,711.87	58,726,456,88	-25,053	56,161
II.	OPERATING INCOME General Administrative Expenditure	-24,082,711.87	58,726,456,88	-25,053	56,161
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	ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS		EUR		2016 in EUR '000
IV.	OPERATING RESULT – Brought Forward		20,637,475.65		15,977
	Balance of Releases of/Allocations to the Value Adjustments to Liabilities and to Provisions for Contingent Liabilities		2,832,457.18		-13,871
	Balance of Releases of/Allocations to the Value Adjustments to Securities Valued as Financial Assets and to Participations		1,525,985.44		7,950
V.	RESULT OF NORMAL BUSINESS OPERATIONS		24,995,918.27		10,056
15.	Extraordinary Income		0.00		0
	including:				
	drawings from the Fund for General Banking Risks	0,00		0	
16.	Extraordinary Expenditure		0.00		0
	including:				
	allocations to the Fund for General Banking Risks	0,00		0	
17.	Extraordinary Result		0.00		0
	(sub-total of Items 15 and 16)				
18.	Taxes on Income		-4,989,250.68		17,621
	including:				
	from deferred taxes			19,397	
19.	Other Taxes Unless Shown in Item 18		-1,239,082.97		-16,775
VI.	ANNUAL NET PROFIT/LOSS		18,767,584.62		10,902
20.	Movements in Reserves		-13,069,390.44		-6,938
	including::				
	allocation to liability reserve	0,00		0	
	dissolution of the liability reserve	0,00		0	
VII.	ANNUAL PROFIT/LOSS		5,698,194.18		3,964
21.	Profit/Loss Brought Forward		10,683,850.11		9,560
VIII.	VIII. NET PROFIT/NET LOSS		16,382,044.29		13,524

