

# **INTEGRATED REPORT 2019**





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# Letter from the President of the Management Board of mBank S.A.

I am pleased to present to you the newest integrated report of mBank Group, covering mBank S.A. with its foreign branches in the Czech Republic and Slovakia as well as the following subsidiaries: mLeasing, mFaktoring, mBank Hipoteczny and mFinanse.



For another year in a row, we present you the report covering both financial and non-financial information. It has been prepared along with the guidelines of International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC). This report is also consistent with the standard of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI).

In 2019, mBank Group generated its best operating result in the history. The total income of 2019 reached record-high level of PLN 5.5 billion, rising by 13.7% year on year excluding one-offs. One of the key characteristics distinguishing mBank among the continuously consolidating Polish banking sector is our ability to grow organically. We turned this feature into our competitive advantage.

2019 was another year of substantial acquisition of new clients. In the corporate area our client base grew by almost 2,800 corporates and reached around 26,500 customers at the end of the year. We attracted around 217,000 retail clients in Poland and 34,000 in the Czech Republic and Slovakia. As of end of 2019 we were servicing 5.6 million of retail customers on three markets.

One of the most important circumstances impacting our activity in 2019 was the intention of our main shareholder to put mBank on the market. The first official information concerning the sale of mBank was communicated by Commerzbank in its announcement on September 20, 2019. In 2020 Commerzbank decided to terminate the sales process and keep mBank's shares. This decision was partly influenced by the economic disruption caused by an outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic at the beginning of 2020, resulting in multiple challenges for the banking sector.

At mBank we want to be among leaders of social responsibility in the banking sector, therefore sustainable growth gains our rising attention. We intend to be a responsible creditor and curb our indirect impact on the environment. Starting from April 2019 we decided to limit funding for hard coal and lignite mines. Earlier, we adopted a focused



Renewable Energy Sources (RES) financing policy. We increased the amount of funds dedicated to RES from the initial PLN 500 million to PLN 2 billion in 2020. The sustainable financing path is followed also by the subsidiaries from mBank Group. For instance, mLeasing provided an offer of photovoltaic panels for SME customers.

We do not forget about the social area of our activity. Thanks to the grants, competitions and numerous actions, mFundacja (mFoundation) supports the mathematic education of children and adolescents. We regularly run social campaigns aimed at education about cyber threats and promoting secure behaviour when using the internet. We are a strategic partner and a sponsor of the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity (WOŚP), one of the biggest NGOs in Poland. We provide financial servicing during the finals and channel own resources to support WOŚP. In 2019 we organised a charity art auction from mBank's collection that added funds to the foundation's account.

In December 2019 we adopted a new Strategy of mBank Group for 2020-2023, titled "Growth fuelled by our clients". This strategy is our response to the changing market and regulatory environment as well as anticipated, upcoming trends. Its four pillars: focus on clients, development of our platform and application, continued improvement of operational efficiency, and people making up our organisation – reflect the key elements of our business model. For the first time ever, the corporate social responsibility/ESG strategy is an integral part of the document. As a Group we intend to run our business in compliance with the sustainable development rules. We want to educate people, protect the climate and environment, and promote prosperity. We formulated our goals being guided by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), global sustainability goals set by the UN to be reached by 2030. We also constantly support the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact initiative, of which we are a signatory.

All of these, and many other aspects of initiatives pursued by our Group are described in this report. I encourage you to reading it.

Respectfully yours,

Cezary Stypułkowski



## **About mBank Group**

## **About mBank**

## **Key information**

Since its beginings, mBank sets a path for changes and innovativeness in the banking sector. We have been the first internet-only bank in Poland. We have been effectively implementing the strategy which allows us to maintain the leading role in mobile banking. We provide customers with the possibility of managing their finances wherever they are.

mBank shares have been listed on the Warsaw Stock Exchange (WSE) since 1992. mBank shares are included in the indexes such as WIG20, WIG-Banks and WIG-ESG.

#### **Bank in numbers**

## **Retail Banking**

Retail operations in Poland, the Czech Republic and Slovakia. Service for individual clients and microenterprises, constantly improved with new solutions.

Number of clients: 5.6 M

Number of branches: 1801

Increase in loans excluding FX effect: 13.4%

Increase in deposits: 17.8%

<sup>1</sup> Including 143 branches in Poland and 37 in Foreign Branches, without mKiosks and mFinanse outlets.







## **Corporate and Investment Banking**

Supporting the development of SMEs and corporates based on the bank's many years of experience in providing services to enterprises.



Number of clients: 26.5 thousand

Number of branches: 46

Increase in loans excluding FX effect: 8.3%

Increase in deposits: 9.6%2

<sup>2</sup>Excluding repo/sell-buy-back transactions.

### **Financial Markets**

Services on behalf of clients and mBank, including sales of financial products, liquidity management, mBank balance sheet management, interest rate risk and custody services.



IRS / FRA market share: 15.1%

Market share of Treasury bills and bonds: 11.3%

Mid-term bank debt market share: 23.8%

Market shares as of the end of November 2019



## **Employees**

**6,771** FTEs in

mBank Group

41 training hours per employee annually

**54%**employees
engagement ratio



## Mobile banking at its best

- 1.9 million mobile application users
- Over 1 million clients using BLIK payments
- Over 40% travel insurance policies sold via mobile app
- 12,5% of cash loans sold via mobile app
- mElements Development of credit
   API for e-commerce and a role of Third
   Party Provider (TTP)
- LeaseLink Leasing payment service for e-commerce

mBank on Warsaw Stock Exchange

- PLN 16.5 billion (EUR 3.9 billion) capitalisation
- Fitch Rating: BBB-
- Standard & Poor's Rating: BBB
- Sustainalytics ESG Rating: low risk



### mBank Group

The subsidiaries of mBank Group offer a complex service for the customers and allow for processes optimisation and achieving various business targets. The structure of mBank Group from the perspective of segments and business areas is presented below:

ent		Corporates and Financial Markets		
Retail Banking		Corporate and Investment Banking	Financial markets	
Bank	<ul> <li>Retail customers, Private Banking clients and microenterprises</li> <li>Affluent retail customers (Private Banking and Wealth Management)</li> </ul>	banking financial institutions (K1)	<ul> <li>Banks</li> <li>Corporate clients in scope of trading and sales</li> <li>Market and Liquidity Risk Management</li> </ul>	
Consolidated subsidiaries	<ul> <li>mLeasing Sp. z o.o. – Retail</li> <li>Asekum Sp. z o.o.¹ – Retail</li> <li>LeaseLink Sp. z o.o.¹</li> <li>mBank Hipoteczny S.A. – Retail</li> <li>mFinanse S.A.</li> </ul>	mBank Hipoteczny S.A Corporate	<ul> <li>mFinance France S.A. (special purpose entity reserved for financing activities of the bank)</li> <li>mLeasing Sp. z o.o. within the scope related to fund raising</li> <li>mBnk Hipoteczny S.A. – within the scope related to fund raising</li> </ul>	
Con	()ther subsidiaries	DH Development Sp. z o.o. (real e uture Tech FIZ	state management)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> mBank owns 100% shares in Asekum Sp. z o.o. and LeaseLink Sp. z o.o. indirectly, through mLeasing Sp. z o.o.

## Changes in Group structure in 2019

The key events regarding the structure of mBank Group in 2019 comprise the acquisition of 100% shares in LeaseLink by mLeasing. The transaction, concluded on March 8, 2019, supplements the Group's competences with activities in the fintech sector. LeaseLink specializes in financing the purchases of entrepreneurs made in eshops and stationary outlets, which strengthens the Group's position in financing small and medium-sized enterprises. Financial result of mLeasing includes the result of LeaseLink Sp. z o.o. owing to its full consolidation.

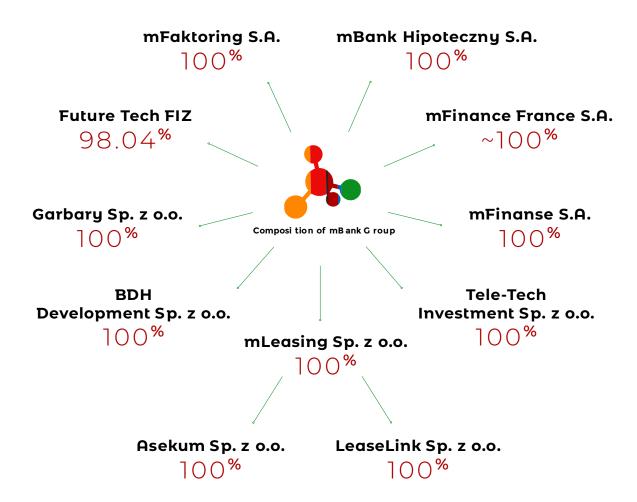
In December 2019, the liquidation procedure of mCentrum Operacji (mCO) was completed. As a result, the company was removed from the National Court Register (KRS). Liquidation of mCO results from organizational changes which were conducted at mBank Group in 2018. They included the integration of operational activities



previously carried out by mCO with the bank, while the processes with the highest automation potential were transferred, as part of the sale transaction of an organized part of the enterprise, to Digital Teammates S.A. (DTM). The majority shareholder of DTM is the Future Tech FIZ fund, established under the mAccelerator project.

On November 7, 2019, as part of mBank Group's plan to withdraw from real estate operations and focus on its key activities in the financial sector, mBank S.A. signed with Archicom Polska S.A. ("Archicom Polska") a preliminary agreement on the sale of shares of BDH Development Sp. z o.o. ("BDH"). The conclusion of the final agreement on the sale of shares will take place after all the conditions precedent have been met in the form of the sale by BDH of shares held in CSK Sp. z o.o. (condition met), registration of the reduction of BDH's share capital related to the redemption of shares by the registry court and the President of the Office of Competition and Consumer Protection's consent to the concentration consisting in the acquisition of control over BDH by Archicom Polska.

mBank Group (including consolidated subsidiaries) as at the end of 2019 was composed as presented on the diagram below.





## Key Subsidiaries of mBank Group from the perspective of client offer

m Bank Hipoteczny	<ul> <li>the longest track record of issuing covered bonds on the Polish capital market</li> <li>ensuring the stable, long-term and safe funding of the Group with the use of pooling model in co-operation with mBank</li> <li>improving stability and diversification of mBank Group funding through raising long-term funding in form of mortgage covered bonds in PLN and FX</li> <li>analysis and advisory services addressed to investors and entities active on the commercial real property market</li> <li>rating of Moody's Investor Services: Aa3 – the highest possible to obtain rating for the financial instruments issued in Poland</li> </ul>
<mark>m</mark> Leasing	<ul> <li>offer including leasing, loans, car fleet rental and management for both corporate clients and individuals</li> <li>various leasing products in corporate segment, including lease of private and commercial cars, heavy transport vehicles, car fleet management, lease of machines and equipment, real property lease</li> <li>in the retail segment the subsidiary operates the "Leasing in Retail" programme addressed to micro-enterprises and SMEs, which can sign lease contracts using dedicated lease processes</li> <li>leasing as a payment method for e-commerce offered by LeaseLink</li> </ul>
<b>m</b> Faktoring	<ul> <li>fifth position on the Polish factoring market among the members of the Polish Factors Association – rise by 1 position compared to 2018</li> <li>financing of ongoing business operations, receivables management, credit protection, maintenance of debtors' settlement accounts and enforcement of receivables; the offer includes also domestic and export factoring with recourse and credit protection, as well as import guarantees</li> <li>mFaktoring's offer available in all mBank branches providing services to SMEs and corporations in Poland</li> </ul>
<mark>m</mark> Finanse	<ul> <li>intermediary operations as an open platform for selling financial products of various institutions, including mBank</li> <li>the offer includes loans, accounts, insurances for both individuals and companies</li> <li>offer of 13 financial entities in more than 210 outlets across Poland</li> </ul>



#### **Distribution network**

mBank offers its services not only in Poland, but also in the Czech Republic and Slovakia. The leading role of mobile and internet banking provider is supplemented by comprehensive service in the branches. Retail branches network covers 353 various outlets whereas corporate network comprises 46 points of service, additionally supplemented by branches of mBank Group subsidiaries. We continue to expand our branches network in order to maximize comfort of cooperation with the clients. When contacting the consultants in the branches, clients can not only use products and services of mBank Group, but also install and learn to use mobile and internet banking.



## **Poland**

#### Retail network:

- 89 mBank branches
- 40 light branches
- 14 advisory centres
- 166 mKiosks
- 44 Financial centres and agency service points of mFinanse

## Corporate network:

- 30 corporate branches
- 16 corporate offices

## **Czech Republic**

- 11 financial centres and light branches
- 17 mKiosks

## Slovakia

- 4 financial centres and light branches
- 5 mKiosks
- Traditional branches- complex product and cash service.
- Financial centres and agency service points of mFinanse - comprehensive



- portfolio of more sophisticated financial products, such as mortgage loans and corporate funding.
- Advisory centres idividual and corporate clients service, possibility to use the services of mBank Group's subsidiaries, including Wealth Management.
- Light branches basic financial products and cash services up to

defined limits.

mKiosks located in the shopping malls - possibility to familiarize with mBank's offer, open an account and draw non-mortgage loan.

Bearing in mind comfort of our clients and best availability of our services, in 2019 we opened 32 new points of contact within retail banking network, marking mBank's availability in smaller towns. We are the only big commercial bank in Poland expanding its physical branch network. This decision results mainly from the strategy of organic growth and a remarkable potential that we see in the direct contact with our current and potential clients.

#### mBank's Authorities

### **Supervisory Board of mBank**

As of December 31, 2019, the Supervisory Board of mBank was composed as follows:

- Maciej Leśny Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- Stephan Engels Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board resigned as of December 31, 2019
- Tomasz Bieske Member of the Supervisory Board
- Marcus Chromik Member of the Supervisory Board
- Mirosław Godlewski Member of the Supervisory Board
- Jörg Hessenmüller Member of the Supervisory Board
- Gurjinder Singh Johal Member of the Supervisory Board
- Michael Mandel Member of the Supervisory Board
- Teresa Mokrysz Member of the Supervisory Board
- Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska Member of the Supervisory Board.

There were several important changes in the Supervisory Board in 2019. On September 2, 2019, Janusz Fiszer, Member of the Supervisory Board and the Audit Committee, died. On September 19, 2019, Maciej Leśny, Chairman of the Bank's Supervisory Board, received a letter of resignation from Andre Carls, who decided to resign as member of the Bank's Supervisory Board and member of the Executive and Nomination



Committee, Remuneration Committee and Audit Committee of the Bank's Supervisory Board as of September 30, 2019. On December 5, 2019, Chairman of the Bank's Supervisory Board, received a letter of resignation from Stephan Engels, who decided to resign as member of the Bank's Supervisory Board and member of the Executive and Nomination Committee and Remuneration Committee of the Bank's Supervisory Board as of December 31, 2019.

There were three independent members of the Supervisory Board as of December 31, 2019: Tomasz Bieske, Mirosław Godlewski and Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska.

## **Management Board of mBank**

As of December 31, 2019, the Management Board of mBank was composed as follows:

- Cezary Stypułkowski President of the Management Board, Chief Executive Officer
- Frank Bock Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Financial Markets
- Andreas Böger Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Financial Officer
- Krzysztof Dąbrowski Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Operations and Information Technology
- Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Risk Officer
- Cezary Kocik Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Retail Banking
- Adam Pers Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Corporate and Investment Banking

For more information on changes in the Management Board and Supervisory Board of mBank, see section "Corporate governance application".

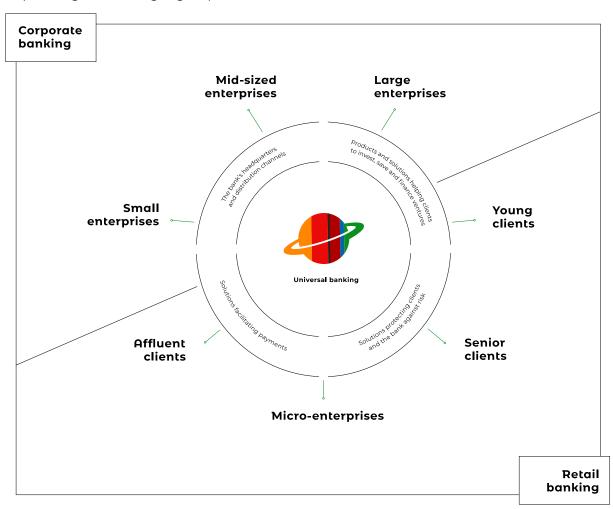
Detailed résumés of all members of mBank Supervisory Board and Management Board are available on our website <a href="https://www.mbank.pl/en/about-us/bank-authorities/">https://www.mbank.pl/en/about-us/bank-authorities/</a>.



## Business model and value creation model of mBank Group

## mBank Group business model

We conduct business based on the universal banking model, specialising in servicing all client groups. We offer retail, corporate and investment banking as well as other financial services such as leasing, factoring, financing of commercial real property, brokerage operations, wealth management, corporate finance and advisory in the scope of capital markets. Services provided under mBank logo are marked with different colours, depending on the target group of the offer.

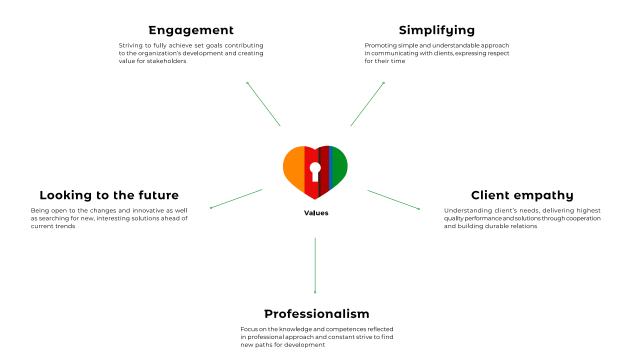


Our way of thinking about banking is shaped by digital DNA, that is in the centre of mBank's business model. It affects all internal processes, product development and the tools through which customers use our services. Digital DNA is directly related to intellectual capital – we observe the development of technology by adapting the latest developments and moderating innovations within the Bank.



## mBank Group value model

mBank Group activity is based on a value creation model orented for the benefits for customers, shareholders, employees and other stakeholders. We identify actual needs and implement adequate solutions, responding to current and prospect requirements.



mBank's widely recognised operational excellence is based on the state-of-the-art user interface for online banking, next-generation mobile application, video banking, as well as real-time, event-driven customer relationship management (CRM) based on client behaviour patterns. The whole product offer is centred around the current account with a broad spectrum of financial services accessible in just "one click". This way, we implement the strategic aim of mBank to be the most convenient transactional bank on the market. Our internet platform available to clients is modern, convenient, easy-to-access and user-friendly. We have also been systematically expanding our mobile application to provide customers with the possibility of managing their finances wherever they are.

### **Innovations**

Giving priority to users' comfort, mBank regularly improves its offer and thus remains at the forefront of institutions introducing new solutions, such as BLIK, Google Pay and Apple Pay payments. mBank has been accompanying its customers in their everyday lives for 19 years now, providing a wide range of additional services based on online or mobile banking. These involve, among others, the possibility to create a free-of-charge trusted profile in mBank's transactional platform in order to handle administrative matters online in the public administration services, and the possibility to submit an application for the "Family 500+" benefit online, as well as mOkazje (mDiscounts).



An offer adjusted to all stages of customers' private and professional development

mBank's offer includes loans, savings, investment and insurance products as well as other solutions dedicated to enterprises. The comprehensive offer makes it possible to more effectively address specific requirements of particular groups of customers. At the same time, the coherent business model in all of the mentioned areas enables clients' to easily move between segments, which allows mBank to support their professional and personal development at all stages.

## **Corporate clients**

mBank Group aims to build a partnership with corporate customers, which is based on high quality relations, comprehensive advisory and a good understanding of the specifics of the business of recipients of our products. We support entrepreneurs from the very beginning of their professional path, enabling them to launch their business with mBank online or in the bank's branch and offering them a package of kick-off services such as financing, accounting and currency services or terminals. Big enterprises and international corporations successfully use the integrated range of commercial banking solutions, with particular focus on the advanced platform of transactional banking. This comprehensive product offer is complemented by investment banking services, such as equity capital management (ECM), debt capital management (DCM) and mergers & acquisitions (M&A) advisory services.

## **Distribution channels**

mBank's distribution concept combines the most technologically advanced solutions, which meet the market challenges and set new trends in the Polish banking sector. Internet and mobile-based tools as well as the extensive network of distribution outlets and call centre build a comprehensive contact platform for mBank's customers. The IT platform architecture allows the bank to develop and introduce new products, services and sales channels efficiently and with a low operational risk. Thanks to such a flexible infrastructure, mBank is able to effectively manage its business expansion strategy.



## History

The bank was established in 1986 as Bank Rozwoju Eksportu (BRE Bank), initially focusing on corporate clients. We have been operating in the segment of individual clients since 2000, i.e. from the moment of launching mBank, fully online bank – in 2018 we celebrated our 18th birthday, broadly described in previous report.

1986	Establishment of Bank Rozwoju Eksportu as a joint-stock company
1992	Listing of BRE Bank on the Warsaw Stock Exchange
1994	Signing of a strategic partnership agreement with Commerzbank AG
1998	Acquisition and merger with Polski Bank Rozwoju SA
2000	Establishment of mBank – the first internet-only bank in Poland – completed in just one hundred days
2001	Launch of Multibank, the second retail arm of BRE Bank, targeting affluent customers
2007	Foreign expansion of retail operations, the first branches of mBank are set up in the Czech Republic and Slovakia
2013	Rebranding – Replacing of three existing brands by one: mBank New mBank transactional platform is launched
2016	"mobile Bank" Strategy for 2016-2020 is announced
2017	Start of mAccelerator - fund aimed at the development and commercialisation of technology for financial institutions
2018	Strategic partnership with WOŚP, launch of e-commerce services via mElements
2019	New strategy for 2020-2023 Announcement of the intention to sell mBank's shares by Commerzbank

In 2001, we established MultiBank, which complemented the bank's business model with servicing clients in the outlet network in the largest Polish cities. Since the very beginning, mBank has relied on organic growth, which means that the current scale of its business has been achieved without takeovers of other banks and financial institutions. mBank is the only bank in Poland with successful track record of rolling out its online retail banking model into foreign markets. Since 2007, we have been operating in the Czech Republic and Slovakia. In 2013, we unified our brand under mBank name, which is the most powerful of our brands.

In 2019, we continued to focus the offer of mBank Group on digital DNA, which underlies our internal processes, tools and services for clients. We have been effectively implementing the strategy aimed at creating a modern and innovative transactional bank, which offers an integrated range of products and services both for individual and corporate clients. Enhancing our offer for SME clients, in 2019 we acquired LeaseLink to



provide leasing as a payment method for e-commerce. For more information regarding the subsidiaries, please refer to section Key information.

## Strategy

## "Mobile bank" strategy

In December 2019, we adopted the new Strategy of mBank Group for 2020-2023 titled "Growth fuelled by our clients". It is widely described in section "Outlook", focused on the future business.

Adoption of new strategy implies a closure and summary of the "Mobile Bank" strategy, pursued since 2016. It was built on 3 pillars: Empathy, Mobility and Efficiency. Our strategic initiatives and operations focused on clients. We developed our competitive advantage in the mobile area. We continue to improve the resources management.



## **Empathy**

Empathy is a quality that is rarely associated with the financial sector. We use various tools to instil it in our organisational culture, our employees' mindsets, and our processes and products. Empathy helps us provide better customer service, improves relations with our partners, and enhances cooperation among our employees. We make sure our products and services meet four core requirements applied whenever we interact with our customers. The requirements include:

- addressing customers' needs we fulfil customers' actual needs and solve their real problems;
- simplicity we work in a simple and customer-friendly, almost inconspicuous manner:
- customer experience follows mBank's brand we inspire positive emotions in line with brand positioning. We are a mobility icon and support our clients anytime and anywhere;



trust – we make every effort to maintain high level of trust and earn it with every decision we make.

#### **GOOD PRACTICE - STOPKLATKA**

In order to help our employees better understand the bank's strategy, we have created the Snapshot ("Stopklatka"). It is a set of crucial, open-ended questions together with answers, dealing with customers' legitimate expectations from the bank and the desired way of cooperation within the organisation

People are at the core of our empathy-related vision and strategy. That is why we provide our employees with know-how and indicate a course of direction for the bank's development. Every three months, the Management Board holds open staff meetings which are broadcast for everyone interested. Their objective is to comment on results, discuss strategic projects, and answer questions. We encourage our employees to visit other places in the company for quick "work experience". Employees gain work experience in places where the bank meets customers: in retail and corporate branches, and the contact centre.

## 800

## line managers took part in workshops on empathy

#### **GOOD PRACTICE - AGENTS OF CHANGE**

The corporate culture is also developed with the help of agents of change, also known as ambassadors. There are approximately 80 ambassadors from the head office, 30 ambassadors from the corporate branches, and 40 ambassadors from the retail branches. They make sure that our employees properly understand the definition of empathy and promote it in their respective units. Ambassadors meet with the members of the Management Board at least once a year to participate in strategy-related lectures and workshops. The meetings feature inspiring guest appearances. Last year we invited an expert in learning from one's mistakes, and trained empathy with improvisational actors. Workshops improve our knowledge of the way the bank works as a whole and allow us to test new solutions. Employee engagement surveys show that ambassadors have a better understanding of the concept and significance of empathy in the bank. They are more eager to indicate areas that work well and those in need of improvement to the team responsible for client-centricity and empathy. We know that empathy is in mBank's DNA.

For over five years we have been implementing the rules of simple and empathetic communication in mBank under the "mKanon" project. We believe that good and effective communication is clear, informative, brief, correct in terms of language, honest, empathic and conveyed using the first-person perspective. In the first place we have



changed communication in the call centre and the complaint-handling team, i.e. areas directly communicating with clients. We have made changes in internal communication in the bank, including the compliance, internal legislation, and security areas. We organise workshops for employees during which we teach them how to write to clients experiencing difficult time, e.g. clients subject to debt collection or whose relative has died. We try to increase employees' awareness in this respect by cooperating with ambassadors of mKanon (rules of clear, transparent and simplified communication). The group consists of 120 employees who help their co-workers to communicate more effectively. In 2019 we trained approximately 840 employees and organised 32 workshops. Fundacja Języka Polskiego (the Polish Language Centre) audited our communication and awarded measures taken by mBank with a language quality certificate. The President of the Management Board signed a regulation implementing the standard on internal communication in mBank.

## To promote empathy at mBank, we take, among others, the following measures:

- We measure clients' loyalty and satisfaction by carrying out the survey defining the Net Promoter Score (NPS). On this basis, we identify key reasons why clients decide to recommend our brand to their friends and family; we analyse both corporate and retail clients in a relationship survey and at particular points of contact;
- We collect suggestions and assessments directly from clients thanks to digital solutions. For two years, we have been collecting customer feedback with the use of the "Share your opinion" option in the transaction system. In this way thousands of clients can share their thoughts about the bank. In 2019, we received a total of 142,732 scores, out of which 51,826 included comments.
- We also introduced the "design thinking" methodology to design processes and services for clients and employees. Design thinking is a method for launching products and services based on understanding of users' needs and problems. What is important from the point of view of the strategy, the first stage of the method is emphatisation, i.e. gaining broad knowledge about the client. We have appointed a group of mDesigners - design thinking coaches - who support projects using own expertise. Using this methodology we worked on new mobile app functionalities and cash management for travellers (travel mode). We also designed a tool for checking the status of applications for a mortgage loan in the transaction system and the model of assistance to be applied in retail branches. We also developed new standards for consultants and advisors, designed insurance project and communication project in procedure of mortgage loan granting and servicing. As testers, clients help us design and test new solutions. We encourage our clients to take part in surveys and workshops - in 2019, approximately 200 clients attended meetings in our mLab. Within the "Client's friend" initiative, clients provided us with 7,138 suggestions. We listen to our clients, analyse their needs, and improve our processes, products and services accordingly.



We make it easier for customers with disabilities by providing them service which accommodates their special needs. The initiatives taken to improve access of persons with disabilities to financial services have been described in section Key information.

## **Efficiency/operations**

At mBank we strive for efficiency both in serving our customers and performing operations invisible for outside world, but crucial for correct, quick and secure functioning of the bank.

### GOOD PRACTICE - DIGITALL PROGRAMME

In 2019, we continued the initiatives within the scope of the DigitAll programme. We implemented a standardised process maturity and quality matrix in the entire Operations area to continually increase process effectiveness. By carrying out initiatives and ongoing inspections, we optimised processes, thus increasing the efficiency of the Operations area by more than 10%. We finalised the implementation of the Business Process Management System, a platform for managing and automating complex business processes, where subsequent processes are successfully launched in various areas of the bank. In order to ensure ongoing, continual analysis, optimisation, and monitoring of the effects of changes made to processes, we selected the provider of a process mining tool. Its implementation will be continued in 2020.

After the verification of the best solutions available on the market, we selected a provider and launched the platform for managing electronic documentation (ECM, Enterprise Content Management). We are migrating data and reducing the scope of existing document repositories. The first migrations were successful. Further migrations and deactivation of repositories are planned.

In the IT area, goals in the field of effectiveness were defined in the Effect programme. Within the programme, we focused on optimising the infrastructure use. Last year, we successfully consolidated data centres. We increased the utilisation of current resources (mass storage and servers) and optimised the resource purchasing process. Moreover, under the **Effect** programme, software must be developed so as to only use the required infrastructure capacity and manage efficiency well. Thanks to these activities, we reduced the IT costs growth rate more than twice. Additionally, changes made to the infrastructure have made its maintenance easier. Moreover, it enhanced infrastructure security and efficiency.

### GOOD PRACTICE - BANKING PROCESSES' ROBOTIZATION

In 2019, we continued the cooperation with Digital Teammates (DTM) in the scope of robotising back-office processes. Since the beginning of 2018, robots have been working in the Operations area, in particular by supporting teams responsible for payments, monitoring, and instructions. Process automation makes it possible to cope with increased and one-off workloads, e.g. occurring as a result of regulatory requests,



without the need to raise the headcount. Currently, robots provided by DTM handle 39 processes at mBank. The robots perform, among others, the following tasks: codziennie księgują otrzymane w raporcie Excel koszty, opłaty i prowizje dotyczące płatności. Uzupełniają niezbędne dane w aplikacjach i autoryzują transakcje, zgodnie z wytycznymi;

- entering accounts for costs, fees and commissions related to payments (which they
  receive in Excel files) on a daily basis. They introduce required data in apps and
  authorise transactions based on relevant guidelines,
- supporting employees at the key stages of handling insurance policies (pertaining to mortgage loans and car loans), i.e. registering relevant applications in the app, uploading document scans and entering client data in the archiving app. At the final stage of the process, robots verify if human-entered data were correctly copied to other banking systems and correct them if necessary,
- facilitating the preparation of bank references and credit opinions. The robots search for necessary data in the banking systems based on a client's instruction. Then, they enter the data in the bank reference/credit opinion form, which is then submitted to the client.

In parallel to increasing effectiveness in Operations and IT, a project aimed at creating a single data warehouse has been implemented at the bank in the recent years. Thanks to these efforts, Common Data Layer (CDL), a single platform containing detailed data from the areas of corporate banking, retail banking, and brokerage operations, was established. CDL functions as a data warehouse, which uses a logical relational data model to link data from key areas of the bank, such as the general ledger, client data, contracts, agreements, products etc. All data warehouse users can apply uniform definitions of terms available in CDL thanks to the Dictionary of Business Terms. We strive to ensure a high level of CDL data correctness. To this end, we have developed relevant quality principles in cooperation with the Data Quality Management (DQM) project team, which is responsible for enhancing data quality in the whole organisation.

## **Mobility**

In 2019 we continued our systematic development of the mobile application. During this time, mBank provided 15 application updates, which confirms the organisation's ability to make agile changes and respond to customer expectations. The work on the application was mainly focused on improving usability and communication as well as sales activities.

More information on mBank's mobile app can be found in section "Innovativeness is who we are".



## Financial objectives for 2016-2020 achieved in 2019

mBank Group financial aspirations and their achievement in periods allowing for comparison to the sector are presented in the table below. The reference base is understood as the peer banks listed on the WSE.

Financial measure	Target point	Performance of mBank Group <sup>1</sup>	Comment on achievement
Cost efficiency,  Cost/Income ratio (C/I)	Top 3 in Poland, each year i.e. to be one of the three most cost- efficient banks listed in Poland	<b>C/I</b> 2019: 42.2% <b>#3</b> among peer banks (9M 2019)	According to the Polish Financial Supervision Authority's (PFSA) data, the ratio for the banking sector in Poland reached 55.4% in 2019, including the banking tax (for mBank Group 50.5% respectively).
Return on Equity,  Net ROE	Top 3 in Poland, each year i.e. to be among the three most profitable listed banks in Poland from the standpoint of ROE adjusted for dividend distribution	<b>ROE net</b> 2019: 6.6% <b>#6</b> among peer banks (9M 2019)	The ratio for the banking sector in Poland according to PFSA's data was 7.1% in 2019.
Return on Assets,  Net ROA	Top 3 in Poland, in 2020 i.e. to be one of the three listed banks in Poland with the highest return on assets	<b>ROA net</b> 2019: 0.66% <b>#7</b> among peer banks (9M 2019)	The ratio for the banking sector in Poland according to PFSA's data amounted to 0.75% in 2019.
Capital position, capital adequacy in terms of core capital  CETI ratio	Maintain the ability to pay out dividend in terms of CETI ratio, each year - maintain the CETI ratio at least 1.5 pp. above the capital requirement for mBank	<b>CETI</b> 2019: 16.5%	According to the data as at September 30, 2019, mBank had the <b>second best</b> capital position among the peer banks listed on the WSE; CET1 ratio for banking sector in Poland reached 17.0% as at the end of September 2019, according to PFSA's data.
Financial stability, Loans/Deposits ratio (L/D)	Maintain an L/D ratio of no more than slightly above 100%, every year	<b>L/D</b> 2019: 90.3%	The ratio for the banking sector in Poland reached 90.2% according to PFSA's data as at the end of 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Comparison to peer group was prepared based on the information as of September 30, 2019 owing to lack of actual data.



## CSR Strategy for 2016-2019

We want to become one of the leaders of corporate social responsibility among Polish banks. Until 2019 we achieved this objective by implementing the Strategy for Corporate Sustainability and Responsibility of mBank S.A.

mBank's key objectives for 2016-2019 regarding social responsibility and sustainable development are as follows:



## Building stable and long-term client relationships

We want to understand, respect and share the values of our clients. We want to be open. We want to think and feel like they do.



## Pursuing a socially responsible credit policy

We want to be a responsible lender.



## We want to build an exceptional team

We want to build an exceptional team, competence and skills. We want to share what's best about us with others. We want to be unique.



## Reducing the bank's environmental footprint

We want to reduce our environmental impact.



## Enhancing the mechanisms of responsible corporate management in the

organisation, including supply chain management We want to improve our management approach.



## Fulfillment of the sustainable development strategy

achieved
in progress
not achieved

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		Achieve	
		ment	Measures and additional comments
		level	
			Each year we conduct a Net Promoter Score
			survey
			Corporate client NPS:
			2016: 30 (increase)
	We want to understand,		2017: 34 (increase)
	respect and share our clients' values. We want to	<b>←</b> □□	2018: 35 (increase)
1.	be open. We want to think		2019: 33 (decrease)
	and feel like they do.		Retail client NPS:
			2016: 12 (no data for this area in 2015)
			2017: 20 (increase)
			2018: 19 (decrease)
			2019: 13 (decrease)
1	Ensuring a permanent platform of dialogue with clients		We created mBank Lab – a space for organising meetings and creative workshops for clients, and interviews with them. This new approach allows us to implement solutions which address the needs of recipients even better. By the end of 2019 we cooperated with nearly 200 clients. We held regular meetings with clients called "Oko w oko z klientem firmowym" ("Eye to eye with SME clients"). In 2019 the meetings were attended by a total of approx. 350 employees.
			In 2019 we analysed over 6,000 client ideas as part of the "Client's friend" project.





2	Reliable, clear and transparent communication of products by redefining the nature of agreements and making their provisions transparent and comprehensible to clients ("Akcja Renowacja" ("Action Renovation")).	transparent communication in the entire organisation.  In 2019 we trained approx. 840 employees and organised 32 workshops during which we taught employees how to communicate with clients in a simple and empathic way.  As part of the "Action Renovation" programme, by 2019 we simplified 70% of documents for individual clients and 42% of documents for SME clients.
3	Reducing the number of complaints by eliminating their reasons (individual clients)	The objective has been achieved. We measure it with the number of complaints per 1,000 accounts:  2016: 3.30 (objective achievement level: 101.1%)  2017: 2.88 (objective achievement level: 111.6%)  2018: 2.85 (objective achievement level: 114.7%)  2019: 3.25 (objective achievement level: 90.0%)
4	Ensuring the highest possible level of protection for clients and their personal data	The objective has been achieved.  Eight claims were filed by external parties and confirmed by the organisation in 2019 (all of them pertained to mFinanse). One claim was filed by the supervisory authorities (it pertained to mFinanse).
5	Ensuring the accessibility of financial services	We implemented solutions for clients with disabilities  We launched customer service in the Polish sign language for people with hearing loss under the "Bankowość bez granic" ("Banking without borders") programme  We improved the accessibility of our branches for people who use wheelchairs  The objective was achieved in 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019.
6	Preparing and adopting the ethical principles of	The objective has not been achieved.



# marketing communication and PR

communication and PR mBank Foundation supports the development of mathematical education. The number of educational projects (donations and grants) supported by mFoundation: 2016: 296 2017: 348 2018: 261 2019: 199 In addition, in 2019 mFoundation announced a Supporting the competition entitled "Wielcy polscy 7 development of matematycy znani i nieznani" ("Known and mathematical education unknown: great Polish mathematicians"). Eighteen schools and non-governmental organisations were awarded grants worth a total of PLN 85,000. In late 2019 the foundation published a book entitled "Dziecinnie prosta matematyka" ("Child's Play Maths"). It is addressed to parents and carers of children aged 0-6. It is a collection of inspiring games that help children learn the world of maths from an early age. The objective to avoid social and environmental conflicts indirectly involving mBank as a financial institution was achieved in 2016-2018. In 2019 some environmental organisations in Poland accused mBank of planning to finance the construction of a new coal-fired power plant unit in the Ostrołęka power plant. The We want to be a accusations were triggered by the fact that II. responsible lender. mBank facilitated bond issues for Enea (which owns the power plant). In fact, mBank only arranged the issue, while the proceeds from the issue were used to refinance existing debt. Enea did not receive any new money on that account. Pursuant to the Bonds Act, funds raised from a bond issue cannot be used for any purpose, in this case for the construction of the



		Ostrołęka C power plant, as the environmental organisations suggested.
1	Bank's withdrawal from financing unethical industries and business activities	In 2016 we adopted the Policy on Servicing and Financing Reputation-Sensitive Industries.  In 2018 we adopted the Renewable Energy Sources Policy. In H2 2019 we decided to substantially increase funding for renewable energy projects – from the previous PLN 500 million to PLN 1 billion.  In 2019 we stopped financing the coal power and coal mining industries.
2.	Credit policy versus social and environmental aspects	Environmental and social aspects are addressed in our Policy on Servicing and Financing Reputation-Sensitive Industries.  In 2019 we adopted the mBank Credit Policy on Sectors Relevant to the EU Climate Policy.
111.	We want to build an exceptional team, competence and skills. We want to share what's best about us with others. We want to be unique.	We measure the achievement of this objective using employee satisfaction surveys.  Employee engagement score: 2016: 57% 2017: 55% 2018: 54% 2019: 56% Workplace satisfaction score: 2016: 67% 2017: 66% 2018: 69% 2019: 68%
1	Supporting the development and building competence of the organisation	We measure the achievement of this objective using the development score as part of the Employee Engagement Culture Survey. The score was as follows: 2016: 56% 2017: 56% 2018: 57% 2019: 58%



			We support the development of employee competence as part of, among others, the "Development Fridays" project launched in 2018. Over 3,100 people took part in the meetings and training sessions in 2019.
2	Promoting the culture of openness		We measure the objective using the feedback quality assessment (after the annual bonus, after the annual appraisal, and using the behaviour model) 2016: 87% 2017: 90% 2018: 88% 2019: 90%
3	Diversity and counteracting discrimination		We signed the Diversity Charter – mBank joined the initiative on 15 January 2018.  We adopted an anti-harassment policy and organise anti-harassment training (we trained 280 managers in 2018-2019).
4	Employee volunteering programme		We suspended the employee volunteering programme "Zróbmy razem coś dobrego" ("Let's do good together"). We are working on a new version of the programme.
5	Workplace safety and ergonomics		No fines for violation of occupational health and safety regulations were imposed on mBank in 2016-2019.
IV.	We want to reduce our environmental impact.		Organisation's CO2 equivalent in metric tons: 2018: 16,334.55 2019: 15,421.99
1	Optimisation of energy consumption		Organisation's total energy consumption 2018: 123,941.07 GJ 2019: 119,548.92 GJ
2	Reducing the environmental footprint o the car fleet	f 🛄	Fuel consumption: 2016: 1,284,983 litres of petrol and 325,792 litres of Diesel fuel 2017: no data



		2018: 1,657,932 litres of petrol and 217,117 litres of Diesel fuel 2019: 1,578,291 litres of petrol and 216,116 litres of Diesel fuel
3	Saving water in office buildings	We currently do not collect data on water consumption.
4	Saving paper and office supplies	Paper consumption in mBank Group in different years:  2016: 33,119,500 sheets  2017: 27,907,000 sheets  2018: 38,270,193 sheets  2019: 35,336,887 sheets  In addition, we implemented the MyQ paper consumption optimisation platform in the organisation.
5	Recycling	We sort waste in all our head office buildings in Łódź, in buildings owned by the organisation at three locations, and in all Advisory Centres (14 locations).
V.	We want to improve our management approach.	mBank was listed in the 11th and 12th editions of the RESPECT Index:  11th edition (valid since 18 December 2017): yes 12th edition (valid since 27 December 2018): yes mBank took the 16th spot in the new WIG-ESG index.  In the 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th Ranking of Responsible Companies mBank ranked below eight in the financial sector institutions category.
1	Managing responsibility in the supply chain	In 2016-2018 we introduced additional supplier cooperation regulations taking into account ethical, social, and environmental aspects. They apply to all suppliers.
2	Coordinating corporate social responsibility activities	mBank's CSR activities are coordinated by CSR Experts who report to the Director of the Communication and Marketing Strategy Department.



3 Public CSR reporting



We have published social and integrated reports on a regular basis since 2015.

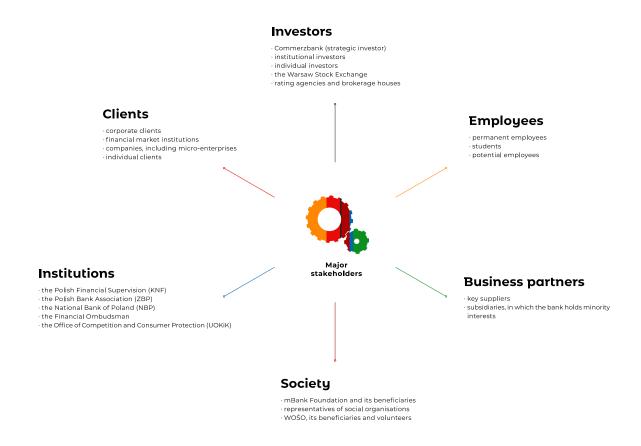
102-43 Approach to stakeholder engagement

## Stakeholder dialogue

In addition to meeting legal requirements in this area, we want to engage in a close dialogue with our stakeholders. We select relationship building methods that suit different groups, but we always try to ensure mutual benefits and open communication.

## How we fostered relationships with our stakeholders in 2019:

- We exchanged information with capital market participants via our Investor Relations service
- We conducted market research on a regular basis
- We conducted regular employee engagement surveys and employee appraisals, including the assessment of employees' approach to clients
- We developed client communication channels, enabling us to learn clients' problems and expectations





## **Responsible Bank**

## Ethics, values and compliance

Our business philosophy assumes conducting our operations based on five values and its consistency with our business practice builds our credibility as a driver of continuous development of the Group.

## **Our values**

Client empathy	Looking to the future	Simplifying	Engagement	Professionalism
Cooperating and understanding customers' needs	Openness to change and innovation	Simple solutions and clear communication	Motivation and focus on results	Knowledge, competencies and skills

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### **Code of Conduct**

mBank's Code of Conduct applies to all employees of the banks, including managers and management board members. It establishes the standards applicable in interactions between the bank's employees and the bank's business partners. The guidelines relate to allowed and forbidden business practicies, appropriate behaviour at work, funding fules and social responsibility.

#### **Ethics oficer**

Since two years the Ethics Officers operates at mBank, who:

- co-authors and coordinates ethical standards in the bank
- verifies the bank's compliance with the ethical standards, including giving opinion to the management board from this perspective
- is responsible for promoting ethical conduct among employees, i.e. via Intranet
- creates guidelines, issues opinions and helps employees solve ethical dilemmas
- is a member of the Anti-Mobbing Committee
- represents the bank in the Ethics Committee of the Polish Banks Association
- Ethics Officer reports directly to the president of the management board and oversees compliance area in the bank.



Ethics officer prepares Lessons Learned, accepted by the management board. They are available to all employees and refer to description on real situations when the banks avoided an ethical mistake or corrected, improving work standards based on the knowledge gained.

Actual or suspected incidents of breaking the law, internal regulations and our ethical standards – can be reported by the employees and the clients anonymously not only to the Ethics Officer, but also lodged anonymously in the mSygnał (whistleblowing) system, which is also available online 24/7 from any computer connected to the internet. Detailed information is available under the address <a href="https://www.bkms-system.net">www.bkms-system.net</a>.

In 2019 we checked whether our employees know how to deal with ethical dilemmas, i.e. by asking about popularity of channels to report any doubts. The Ethics Officer launched an initiative to create an ethical training.





As the Chief Ethics Officer, I want our employees from all levels of the organisation to consider the ethical aspect in every decision they make. We are learning how to talk about mistakes in an open way and learn from them. As part of my job I, among others, take part in creating ethical standards and implement them in the organisation, check if motions to the Management Board are in line with ethical principles, provide employees with analyses of ethical mistakes that we have committed and rectified or avoided together with the Management Board, and promote ethics at all levels of the organisation.

Paulina Gasińska

Plenipotentiary of the Management Board for Client-Centricity Culture and Client Relations, Chief Ethics Officer



We implemented ethics in mSygnał as an additional category where our employees can report unethical conduct the same way other wrongdoing can be reported.

The Chief Ethics Officer has addressed ethics-related topics and dilemmas in many off-site meetings with employees, including call center consultants, ambassadors of the empathy strategy, and members of the Management Board and the Supervisory Board. She also co-organised a manager conference on integrity, compliance and ethics for approximately 700 employees. Our Chief Ethics Officer was in charge of the ethics panel during the European Financial Congress.

## mBank's anti-corruption policy

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The policy provides guidelines for the identification and mitigation of corruption risks, the key principles of the code of ethics, and related responsibilities. No Management Board member, manager, employee or associate may justify corruption or bribery by invoking mBank's interest.

mBank follows a policy of zero tolerance for all forms of corruption, including accepting, offering, requesting, granting and giving consent for additional benefits, objects or payments in order to:

- unlawfully influence a decision,
- obtain or secure an illegal business advantage,
- gain personal benefits.

mBank's Management Board and employees are required to avoid conflicts of personal and professional interest. They are prohibited from offering any undue benefits, in particular to central or local government officials, civil servants, and politicians.

mBank prevents corruption in a system of three lines of defence. The first line of defence is comprised of the bank's organisational units. The second line of defence is the Compliance Department which is responsible for setting and monitoring standards of compliance with anti-corruption laws and regulations. The third line of defence is the Internal Audit Department, which evaluates the adequacy and effectiveness of the bank's anti-corruption system.

The bank expects its business partners (vendors, contractors, service providers who work with mBank and with its clients on behalf of the bank) to comply with the policy. Anti-corruption provisions are included in each contract between the bank and a business partner.

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In 2019, 69% members of the managing bodies and 100% of employees have been informed and received training on anti-corruption.



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We identified no corruption incidents in 2019.

#### Fraud Prevention Policy at mBank and whistleblowing

The policy defines who, and how, is responsible for fraud prevention. The bank follows a policy of zero tolerance for all fraud and attempted fraud by the bank's employees, clients, contractors, and third parties. mBank requires fair and lawful behaviour of all its employees, clients, and business partners.

mBank's fraud risk management cycle covers four stages:

- fraud prevention risk assessment, early identification, and clear rules and mechanisms mitigating risk;
- fraud detection implementation of fraud controls, monitoring systems and reporting channels;
- fraud management every case of suspected crime to the detriment of mBank or its client is investigated and necessary steps are taken, including legal measures;
- response clear rules for mitigating loss or damage, corrective mechanisms, lessons learned.

mBank has implemented an electronic whistleblowing system, which ensures anonymity of whistle-blowers. It is accessible on all internet-enabled devices: <a href="https://client.bkms-">https://client.bkms-</a>

system.net/bkwebanon/report/clientInfo?cin=2brebankl1&language=pol.

Whistleblowing rules and the procedures for reviewing reports are defined in internal regulations as follows:

- the identity of the whistle-blower and the person concerned is strictly confidential: their data must not be disclosed to third parties unless required by law;
- the whistle-blower may set up an anonymous inbox to receive updates on actions taken in reaction to the report and/or to provide additional details;
- every whistleblowing report is reviewed by authorised staff to ensure an objective, fair and impartial investigation;
- mBank employees who report suspected fraud in good faith are protected from any form of repression.

Reports are initially reviewed by staff of the Compliance Department. Filed in the system or otherwise, reports are investigated by authorised officers, as the case may be: employees of the Employee Development and Organisational Culture Department, employees of the Foreign Branches, the Ethics Officer, and employees of the Compliance Department. If a report is confirmed, the case is escalated according to the law and the bank's internal regulations. The rules for reporting fraud to the Management Board and the Supervisory Board are also clearly defined. They cover regular and ad-hoc reports.



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# Cases reported to the Banking Crime Section

**63** 

# Cases reported to the Fraud Management Section

Each report was investigated, and necessary measures were taken, including reporting to the authorities, freezing accounts.

#### Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-terrorism Financing Policy at mBank

mBank follows the law and standards set for financial institutions. We focus in particular on anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing. In this regard, we pursue Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-terrorism Financing Policy at mBank.

To prevent money laundering and financing of terrorism, mBank is required by the programme:

- to identify and verify the identity of our clients,
- to identify and verify the identity of beneficial owners of our clients,
- to identify and verify our clients and their beneficial owners according to the criteria of politically exposed persons (PEP),
- to identify the risk of money laundering and financing of terrorism,
- we refuse to work with clients where we identify risks of money laundering and/or financing of terrorism,
- we monitor clients' transactions to protect mBank from money laundering and financing of terrorism,
- we regularly train our employees. Training is organised and monitored by the Compliance Department.

In 2019 98% of mBank Group employees received training in scope of Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-terrorism.



### **Principles for suppliers**

mBank's vendors and suppliers are required to comply with the law, labour law, human rights law, to protect the environment, to avoid discrimination, and to comply with anti-corruption law.

mBank pursues its business according to ethical and responsibility standards defined among others in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Labour Organisation standards, and the OECD guidelines (in particular, anti-corruption guidelines).

Every supplier participating in procurement or performing a contract with mBank is required to comply with the guidelines and ensure compliance by its subcontractors.

- The guidelines in particular include:
- the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- the International Labour Organisation standards;
- the OECD guidelines (in particular, anti-corruption guidelines);
- the Rio Declaration on the Environment and Development Agenda 21;
- the United Nations Convention against Corruption;
- international trade sanctions and embargoes, including sanctions which may apply under resolutions of the UN Security Council according to Chapter VII of the UN Charter, or any sanctions imposed by the European Union;
- acts of national law implementing the above, as well as rules and regulations, in particular conflict of management rules and regulations.

100% of mBank vendors read and accepted the Vendor Policy.

### **ESG Ratings**

#### Rating of mBank assigned by Sustainalytics

On January 14, 2020, mBank Group received ESG Risk Rating from the research and rating agency Sustainalytics. Sustainalytics' ESG Risk Ratings measure company's exposure to industry-specific material ESG risks, and how well a company is managing those risks. ESG is a standard for sustainable business, comprising three areas: Environmental (E), Social (S) and Corporate Governance (G). A company's final ESG Risk Rating assigned by Sustainalytics is scored on material ESG issues such as human capital, business ethics, corporate governance, data privacy and security, ESG integration - financials and product governance.

Sustainalytics is a globally renowned independent research and rating agency, which analyses companies' sustainability for over 25 years.



According to Sustainalytics, mBank has low ESG risk (with a score of 13.4; the lower the score, the better the company's ESG performance). In its summary report Sustainalytics writes: the company is at low risk of experiencing material financial impacts from ESG factors (...) and has not experienced significant controversies.

Summary of ESG Risk Rating for mBank Group issued by Sustainalytics is available on our website: <a href="https://www.mbank.pl/en/investor-relations/ratings-debt-instruments/">https://www.mbank.pl/en/investor-relations/ratings-debt-instruments/</a>.

#### Rating of mBank assigned by MSCI

mBank ranks Average (A) in the ESG rating of MSCI. According to MSCI, we are leaders e.g. in corporate governance, risk oversight and business ethics. We are scored Average in i.a. financial product safety, human capital development and access to finance. The rating is based on publically available data only. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.msci.com/esg-ratings/issuer/mbank-spolka-akcyjna/IID000000002158801">https://www.msci.com/esg-ratings/issuer/mbank-spolka-akcyjna/IID0000000002158801</a>.

### Cybersecurity

mBank places a very strong emphasis on security of IT systems and data based on adequate organisational and technical solutions. We promote cybersecurity among our employees.



E-learning and in-class training raises employees' awareness and knowledge of cybersecurity. We run educational campaigns for clients (online security: <a href="https://www.mbank.pl/uwazniwsieci/strona-glowna/">https://www.mbank.pl/uwazniwsieci/strona-glowna/</a>) and offer emergency support services provided by our company Cyber Rescue.

We work to mitigate cyber risks. As a leader of digital banking solutions, we use adequate, state-of-the-art security monitoring systems from renowned vendors. We counteract new types of cyberattacks. Advanced technology works hand in hand with competent people. For instance, the mBank Security Department includes a Security Operations Center (SOC). Employees and clients may report all cybersecurity matters to the SOC, including identified incidents, attempted attacks, infections, and suspicious transactions. SOC operates 24/7/365. Clients can contact the SOC by email at alert@mbank.pl. We have also set up a dedicated team mBank CERT, co-operating with other teams of this type all over the world as a member of an organisation Trusted Introducer, mBank CERT holds the Accredited status.

We have developed the mBank Cybersecurity Policy to ensure high resilience to cyber risks. It is a part of the mBank S.A. Information Security Policy.

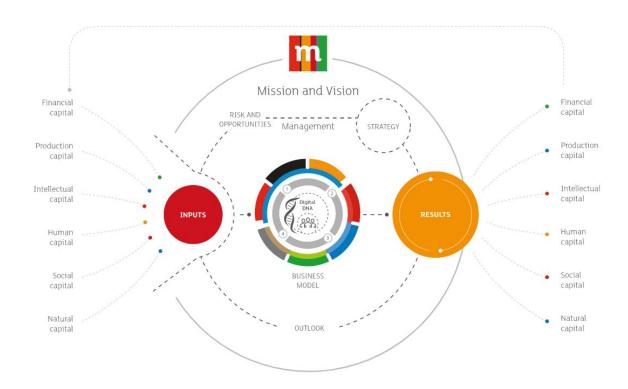
According to the Policy:

• We align the required cybersecurity levels with our innovative business;



- We secure resources necessary for security processes and implement new cybersecurity measures;
- We identify legal requirements concerning security;
- We raise the cybersecurity awareness of employees and clients;
- We manage events through early detection, reaction, lessons learned, and risk assessment;
- We manage suppliers and work with business partners;
- We regularly develop and improve our expertise.

### How do we create value?





#### **Financial capital**

mBank's financial capital consists of funds obtained from clients, shareholders and bondholders, as well as profits generated by the Group. Funds entrusted to the bank are used in financial products and services: loans, loans for any purpose, factoring, leasing, further investments and operational activities, as well as grants.

Security of the entrusted funds is a key aspect of financial capital management, which is indivisibly linked with risk management. We maintain regulatory indicators above the required levels to ensure a stable capital and liquidity position of mBank Group. We operate within the established risk appetite and create added value for our shareholders.

We satisfy the financial needs of our clients at every stage of their lives. In addition, we contribute greatly to the development of the economy: we foster innovation and create new jobs. We pay high income and banking taxes. We also support the stability of the financial sector: we pay contributions to the Bank Guarantee Fund, costs of supervision by the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (KNF), and contributions to the Borrower Support Fund.

**Capital management** 

### Input capital data as at the end of 2018, mBank Group)

# Achievements (as at the end of 2019, mBank Group)

- Capital of PLN 15.171 million
- Liabilities to clients of PLN 116.661 million
- Issued debt securities of PLN 18.050 million
- Subordinated liabilities of PLN 2.474 million
- We focus on the efficiency of operations. We create efficient and lightweight digital processes, optimised in terms of time and costs.
- We pursue the objective of long-term growth based on business efficiency indicators, in particular the cost-to-income ratio (C/I).
- We maintain constant ability to pay out dividends, limited by decisions of the regulator.

- 42.2% C/I
- PLN 5,524.4 million of Income – highest in the history of mBank Group
- PLN 1,010.4 million of Net profit
- 6.6% Net ROE
- 4.5% Non-performing loans (NPL) ratio, lower than last year (4.8%)
- 19.5% Total Capital Ratio



### **Human Capital**

mBank's human capital consists of knowledge, attitudes, motivation, experience, and competence of employees who contribute to the unique organisational culture and enjoy clients' trust.

We focus on empathy both in employee relations, and in communication with clients. Thanks to our employees' dedication, mBank's communication with stakeholders outside the organisation is simplified, open, friendly, and addresses the needs of the other party. This arises from mBank's mission: "To help. Not to annoy. To delight. Anywhere".

# Input capital data (as at the end of 2018)

- Employee engagement score: 52%
- Workplace satisfaction score: 65%
- Avg. of 26 training hours per employee
- Development ratio in the Employee Engagement Culture Survey: 56%

### Capital management

- we implemented and observe 17 standards and regulations regarding employees, e.g. the Code of Conduct, Work Rules of mBank, Remuneration Rules of mBank, Rules for Awarding Bonuses to mBank Employees, procedures regarding employee selection and recruitment, development activities, and employee appraisal
- We continue the following programmes: "Piątki z rozwojem" ("Development Fridays"), "Zaloguj się do rozwoju" ("Log in to development"), "Pociąg do rozwoju" ("Drive for development")
- We use the Management by Objectives system (MbO), which is gradually replaced with Ongoing Feedback and quarterly Objectives and Key Results (OKR)

- Employee engagement score: 54%
- Workplace satisfaction score: 67%
- Avg. of 41 training hours per employee
- Development ratio in the Employee Engagement Culture Survey: 57%



### Intellectual capital

Intellectual capital consists of intangible innovative resources of the organisation and its employees, which have an impact on our results and market position. It is the source of our current and future competitive advantage.

W This category includes state-of-the-art IT solutions used in our online banking, mobile app and internal processes of the bank, as well as intangible resources (quality standards, brand recognition, rules of good communication with clients).

# Input capital data (as at the end of 2018)

- App users: 1,484 thousand
- Mobile only users: 480 thousand
- Avg. number of logins to the app: 27 times a month
- Highest share of mobile clients in the client base: 38%

### Capital management

- functions in the app, e.g.
  new card details with an
  option to change the PIN;
  adding new recipients to
  the contact list; new
  appearance and features
  in mKantor; repeating
  transfers to the Social
  Insurance Institution (ZUS)
  and the Tax Office; the
  mFaktoring service; sale of
  all kinds of standalone
  insurance in the app
- We support the development of mAccelerator, a fund investing in tech start-ups
- We are an e-commerce partner thanks to mElements, a domestic payment institution since 2019, which has launched an e-commerce payment service called Paynow
- We improved the appearance and functionality of the dashboard in online banking

- App users: 1,894.7 thousand
- Mobile only users: 1,218 thousand
- Avg. number of logins to the app: 31 times a month
- Highest share of mobile clients in the client base: 40%
- Over 40% of travel insurance policies sold in the mobile app
- 70% of simplified documents for individual clients and 42% of simplified documents for SME clients



#### **Manufactured capital**

Innovative digital systems and tools, procedures and policies are the main components of mBank's manufactured capital. They allow knowledge and information to flow safely and efficiently both inside and outside the organisation (in communication with suppliers).

We develop our organisational structure, internal processes, product distribution tools, approach to risk management, infrastructure (including IT systems) and network of retail branches on the basis of a concept of a digital and innovative bank. We strive to be present in many different channels and to offer products via electronic channels – applications, online banking, chat and call centre supported by a modern network of branches. As a mobile and online bank we care about the cyber security of our processes, and pay particular attention to the protection of our clients' data.

# Input capital data (as at the end of 2018)

#### Number of branches in Poland: 141

- Number of mKiosks: 143
- Payment cards: 3.7 million in Poland

### **Capital management**

- We have a comprehensive customer contact platform (online and mobile tools, an extensive network of distribution points, a telephone contact centre).
- We support our clients in crisis situations online via our subsidiary Cyber Rescue; we also offer 24/7 contact with our Security Operations Center (alert@mbank.pl)
- We adapt to changes in the law and apply compliance requirements on an ongoing basis

- Number of branches in Poland: 143
- Number of mKiosks: 166
- Payment cards: 3.6 million in Poland



#### **Social capital**

mBank's social capital comprises relations with stakeholders outside the organisation, compliance with the norms, and our clients' trust. We care deeply and consciously about relations as they are an important aspect of our activity. The trust of our stakeholders in financial institutions grows, and so does clients' openness to new products and services.

The quality of relations and the level of social trust are strongly linked with the bank's operational results. Our mission and values reflect our particular care for social capital. Clients and their needs, emotions, and expectations are the most important for us. Social capital means trust, which is a currency equally important as money. Our products and services are used by individual clients, small and medium-sized enterprises, and big corporations, as well as public sector entities, including local governments. Social capital, therefore, forms a basis for new business and social ventures, investments and infrastructure used by the society as a whole. They contribute to economic growth of the country, which is beneficial to households.

#### Input capital data (as at the end of 2018)

- Sales of mortgage loans at PLN 4.6 billion
- Sales of non-mortgage loans at PLN 8.9 billion
- Completed educational projects of mFundacja as part of the "mPotęga" ("mPower") grant programme: 185
- Funds donated to WOŚP: PLN 7 million
- Corporate client net promoter score (NPS): 35
- Retail client net promoter score (NPS): 19

### Capital management

- We conduct customer satisfaction surveys
- We design new products and services using the design thinking approach, which focuses on understanding users' problems and needs
- We use mKanon: the rules of simple and empathic communication within mBank and with the outside world
- We are a partner of the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity
- We continue the "Przyjaciel klienta" ("Client's friend") programme, where we analyse and react to our clients' suggestions (7,138 reports in 2019)

- Sales of mortgage loans at PLN 8.2 billion
- Sales of non-mortgage loans at PLN 10.3 billion
- Completed educational projects of mFundacja as part of the "mPotęga" ("mPower") grant programme: 111
- Funds donated to WOŚP:
  PLN 3.7 million
- Corporate client net promoter score (NPS): 33
- Retail client net promoter score (NPS): 13
- 70% of simplified documents for individual clients and 42% of simplified documents for SME clients



#### **Natural** capital

# Natural capital is our direct and indirect, both positive and negative, impact on the environment

As an organisation which does not produce physical goods, our direct impact on the environment stems from the operation of our offices and branches. We utilise electricity, thermal energy, water, and office supplies (paper and toners). We use electrical devices which must be replaced with new ones every now and then (computers, printers, telephones). Well-developed IT infrastructure requires cooling, which uses electricity. Our employees travel for business using mBank's car fleet, which causes fuel consumption.

We promote mobile banking channels, i.e. handling as many bank-related matters as possible without going to the bank's branch, which minimises our clients' potential need to use a car to reach the bank. We also promote electronic communication tools in the workplace by allowing our employees to organise videoconferences in place of going to meetings.

As regards our indirect impact, we support sustainable development of others. We implement the policy for financing investments in renewable energy sources. The bank no longer finances new coal mines and coal-fired power plant units. Since 2019 mBank's Private Banking clients have been able to invest in line with ESG standards in portfolios containing shares and bonds of issuers that generate a positive social or environmental impact.

# Input capital data (as at the end of 2018)

- Pool of funds for renewable energy projects: PLN 500 million
- Paper consumption:38,270,193 A4 paper sheets
- Energy consumption:123,941.07 GJ
- Fuel consumption:
   1,657,932 litres of petrol and 217,117 litres of diesel fuel

### Capital management

- Environmental objectives are an integral part of the business strategy for 2020-2023
- On 1 April 2019 we stopped financing new coal mines and coal-fired power plant units.
- We implemented the MyQ platform to optimise the use of paper

- Pool of funds for renewable energy projects: PLN 1 billion (increased to PLN 2 billion in 2020)
- Paper consumption: 35,336,887 A4 paper sheets
- Energy consumption:119,548.92 GJ
- Fuel consumption:
   1,578,291 litres of petrol and
   216,116 litres of diesel fuel



# mBank Group in 2019



### Summary of the year

In 2019, the Polish economy saw numerous phenomena that contributed to development of the banking sector and stimulated lending. However, the economic indicators were in a downward trend.

#### **Positive factors**

Private consumption and investments were the two main drivers of the economy. At the same time, the banking sector continued to operate in a low interest rate environment – the NBP reference rate has not been changed since 2015.On the one hand, it reduced the potential to widen credit margins, on the other hand – it positively influenced the capability of clients to repay their debts.

#### Challenges

Heavy burdens imposed on the banking sector, such as the tax on certain financial institutions (so called "banking tax") and the contribution to the Bank Guarantee Fund (BFG), which cannot be recognised tax deductible expenses, regulations **MIFID** 2), and (e.g. unfavourable conditions on the capital market hampered growth in net profit. Provisions for legal risk associated with FX mortgage loans also affected the results of banks (including mBank). In addition, high capital buffers and curbs on dividend payment did not help banks reach high profitability ratios.



#### **Actual results**

Thanks to its unique business model and consistently implemented strategy, mBank Group developed dynamically in 2019.

#### **INCOME**

### PLN 5,524.4 million

Record high. Increase by 8.8% (13.7% p net of profit from a one-off transaction concluded in 2018), including a rise in net interest income by 14.5%.

#### **NET PROFIT**

# PLN 1,010.4 million

Vs. PLN 1,302.8 million in 2018

#### **NET INTEREST MARGIN**

### 2.7%

Increase by 11 bps attributable to a change in the structure of assets

### **RETURN ON EQUITY** (ROE net)

#### 6.6%

Vs. 9.5% in 2018

#### TOTAL ASSETS

### PLN 158.7 billion

Increase by 8.9% year on year

#### **COST TO INCOME RATIO**

#### 42.2%

Increase of total income by 8.8% year on year, higher than increase of total costs (7.6% year on year), which grew mainly due to higher contributions to the BFG (+41.7%) and increase of depreciation as a result of the introduction of IFRS 16 (+48.7%).

#### **DEPOSITS**

### **+14.4%** year on year

Dynamic inflow of funds into current and savings accounts of retail clients (+20%)

#### SALES OF LOANS

Dynamic increase in mortgage loan sales by 77%; capital ratios surpassing record-high sales of nonmortgage loans (PLN 10.3 billion, i.e. +15%); Increase in gross loans by 11.0%, including a rise in loans to retail clients by 14.0% and in loans to corporate clients by 8.0%;

#### **CAPITAL RATIOS**

High quality of capital base regulatory requirements: Tier 1 ratio at 16.5%, Total Capital Ratio at 19.5%;



#### Other achievements

#### MOBILE BANKING

Strengthening of mBank's position as a mobile and transactional bank – the largest share of mobile app users in the client base on the market.

#### **NEW STRATEGY**

Adoption of the new mBank Group Strategy for 2020-2023 – "Growth fuelled by our clients".

# INNOVATIONS AND PRODUCTS ENHANCING CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE:

- New online banking homepage allowing clients to adjust the displayed information to their needs
- Lease solutions for SME clients thanks to the acquisition of LeaseLink
- Online factoring services for sole proprietors

#### **INITIATIVES FOR CLIMATE**

- restricted funding for coal power industry and coal mines
- increased funding for renewable energy projects to PLN 1 billion (in 2020 it reached PLN 2 billion)

#### **Awards and distinctions**

Mobile application

- In Q1 2019 mBank received two awards in the Mobile Trends Awards competition. The competition honours companies and institutions that best use mobile technologies in their projects. We took first place in the "Banking and Finance" category and second place in the Internet users' voting. Apart from the awards for the application, we were appreciated for the implementation of the mobile authorization and mTransfer mobile service.
- In the fifth edition of the "Wprost" weekly ranking, mBank won first place in the category "Convenience and wide access" for the best mobile application.
- In September 2019, we were ranked third in the category "Mobile Banking" by Newsweek Polska weekly.
- In the competition organised by the International Banker magazine, mBank was awarded for technologically advanced solutions and cooperation with start-ups, receiving a statuette for the most innovative retail bank in Poland. In the justification of the contest, the jury focused

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on the rich product offer and services created according to the "digital by design" principle.

Product offer and customer service quality

- We were named the most friendly company in the opinion of consumers, winning a statuette in the "Star of Service Quality" competition, organized by the Polish Service Quality Program. Its mission is to raise the standard of relations with customers by constantly monitoring their level of satisfaction.
- We received two distinctions in the "Złoty Bankier 2019" ranking. The first one, in the "Safe Bank Best Practices" category for best banking security practices. Experts from Observatorium.biz and SecurRing awarded mBank one of the three main prizes for the high quality of security measures used in our mobile and online banking. Moreover, another award in the "Fin-tech Innovation" category went to mBank and Digital Fingerprints for breakthrough behavioural biometrics.
- In the "Banking Stars" ranking organized by Dziennik Gazeta Prawna and PwC Polska, we were ranked second in the main category "Whole Business". mBank also won first place in the "Star of Innovation" category, and third place for "Customer Relationship".
- mBank received a double distinction in the "Trustworthy Brand 2019" survey in the "Bank offering loans and advances to companies" and "Bank offering a corporate account" categories. The purpose of the survey published by the business monthly "My Company Polska" was to determine the level of confidence of Polish entrepreneurs in brands of products and services addressed to business.
- mBank was the winner of a competition organized by Global Finance magazine in the category "World's Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Banks 2019". Our online transactional service for corporate clients was recognized as the best not only in Poland, but also in Central and Eastern Europe. During the selection of the winners, the following factors were taken into account: strategy towards digitalization, increase in the number of users of digital services and the number of online banking clients, product offer, as well as the evaluation of the website functionality of the transactional and mobile service.
- In Q4 2019, the magazines Professional Wealth Management and The Banker, published by the Financial Times group, honoured mBank for the best private banking in Poland. mBank's offer was recognized as the best in Poland thanks to a responsible and mature approach to asset management, which resembles the model often found in Western European countries. Moreover, the bank's services in the area of wealth management were appreciated, including individual consultancy, asset



management, intergenerational planning and comprehensive financing.

# Other awards

- Forbes magazine appreciated mBank in the famous ranking "Banking Innovation of the Year 2019", during which our pioneering behavioural biometrics pilot program was awarded. The second place on the podium was taken by the "mBank business starter" service, which allows to open a company remotely through the bank, without visiting the public office.
- We won the "Online Communication Leader" award in the Golden Issuer Website competition organised by the Polish Association of Listed Companies. mBank won first place in the category of Large Companies. In the competition, the jury evaluated companies from the WIG20 and mWIG40 indexes for, among others, social media communication and investor presentations.
- The President of mBank, Cezary Stypułkowski, received the prestigious title of "Global Leader of the Banking Sector" during the Banking Technology Forum Congress. The distinction for mBank was awarded, among others, for the implementation of a modern user interface and full online banking according to the latest model, which set the directions on the domestic and European financial market.
- We were honoured in the "Employer Branding Excellence Awards 2019" competition. In the "Internet Campaign" category, mBank won a distinction for the "Modelling Mission" project, which we addressed to students interested in developing in analytical banking as a modeller in the risk area.
- During the meeting Horizons of Banking 2019 mBank won first prize in the category "Innovation" and "Bank for Young". The second prize was awarded on the basis of questionnaires with the participation of bank customers up to 26 years old, who gave marks for, among others, the services offered or the quality of service.
- In October 2019, we won an honourable place on the podium in the category "Best Employer Brand on LinkedIn" in the first Polish edition of LinkedIn Talent Awards. We were awarded for the image and recruitment activities that we conduct on this portal.
- In the competition for listed companies "The Best Annual Report", organised by the Institute of Accounting and Taxes, mBank was awarded the "Best of the Best" statuette and received a distinction for the best Statement of Corporate Governance.
- In another edition of the prestigious "Effie Awards Poland" competition, mBank received three silver statuettes - in the "Finances" and "Business to Business" categories for the "Setting up a company with mBank"



- campaign and in the "Finances" category for the "Yearbook 2000" campaign, in which mBank addressed directly to people entering adulthood in 2018.
- The 9th edition of the "Executive Summit 2019" congress took place in November. During the Final Gala of the Competition, Marketing Director of the Year, Iwona Ryniewicz, Director of the Communication and Marketing Strategy Department, was awarded in the category "Low budget high impact" for exceptional social effectiveness. The submitted project was the activity of the Foundation for the promotion of mathematics. Rafał Jakubowski, Director of Retail Banking Marketing at mBank in the category "Long Term Marketing Excellence" was also a winner of the competition.
- On 3 December, 2019, the 10th Jubilee Gala of "Eurobuild Awards 2019" was held, during which awards for the best projects, companies and personalities in the commercial real estate market were presented. mBank was ranked among the top three banks in the CEE real estate financing market and was awarded the "Financing Provider of the Year in CEE" statuette in the "Jury Awards" category.
- In this year's edition of the "Cashless Poland Programme", mBank took the third place in the category of entities for the largest sale of contracts. The main objectives of the organisation are, among other things, to popularise and promote non-cash trade, actions aimed at expanding and expanding the network of merchants of electronic payment instruments at points of sale and offices, as well as to raise awareness and knowledge of citizens about non-cash trade mechanisms.

More information about the awards and distinctions is available on the bank's website in the Press Office section: <a href="https://en.media.mbank.pl/">https://en.media.mbank.pl/</a>.



# mBank Group's environment

### Macroeconomic environment

Economy and the banking sector in Poland

Key macroeconomic indicators	2019	Banking sector parameters	2019	
Real GDP growth rate (forecast)	4.1%	Base interest rate	1.5%	
Nominal GDP per capita (EUR)	12,900¹	Loan to Deposit ratio	90.2%	
GDP per capita in PPS (EU-28=100)	<b>70.3</b> %¹	NPL ratio	6.4%	
Average annual inflation rate	2.3%	Total Capital Ratio (TCR)2	18.9%	
Average annual unemployment rate	3.3%	Net Return on Assets (ROA)	0.7%	
Population	38 million	Net Return on Equity (ROE)	7.1%	

Source: Statistics Poland (GUS), Eurostat, Polish Financial Supervision Authority.

#### **Summary of developments**

The global economic slowdown deepened for most of the past year, affecting virtually all of the world's main economies and regions. Many economic indicators hit ten-year lows. This was down to, among others, an abrupt increase in fiscal uncertainty caused by the escalation of the Sino-American trade and economic war; problems experienced by some sectors of the economy (in particular the automotive and semiconductor industries); as well as inherent factors, such as the waning fiscal stimulus in the USA and further weakening of domestic consumption in China. The economy stabilised only in the autumn when a truce was reached in the US-China trade war with global industry indicators starting to grow by the end of the year. The gap between relatively good consumer and services sector sentiment and the sentiment of the industrial sector persisted throughout 2019.

The Polish economy was almost unaffected by the condition of the global economy for most of the past year. This was caused by a relatively high increase in domestic consumption, i.e. continued fast growth in the key components of Poland's economic cycle (i.e. private consumption and investment). However, this does not mean that Poland was totally immune to the global economic slowdown. On the contrary, economic indicators and other short-term economic figures were in a downward trend. GDP growth fell from 4.8% year on year in Q1 to approximately 3.1% year on year in Q4. As a consequence, the Polish economy is likely to have grown by 4.1% in the whole of 2019 compared with 5.1% a year before.

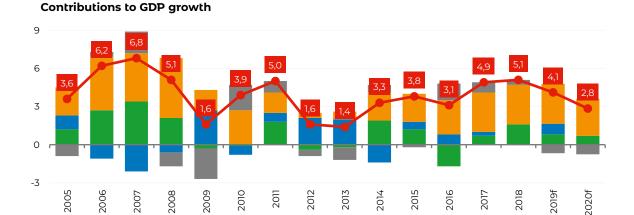
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data as at the end of 2018

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Investment

Net exports



Consumption

Inventories

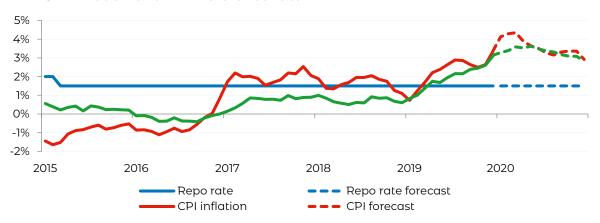
GDP YoY (%)

Private consumption and investment were the two main drivers of the economy. The sources of the consumption boom (private consumption continued to grow by over 4% year on year throughout 2019) have been already extensively discussed. It is worth reiterating that it was propelled by favourable situation on the labour market (record-low unemployment), fast-rising household incomes (especially from contract-based employment), unflinching consumer optimism, relatively high immigration to Poland, highly active real property market, and solid growth in consumer credit. In 2019, these factors were reinforced by the fiscal stimulus comprising social benefits and personal income tax cuts (accounting for approx. 1.8% of GDP in total). Investment was volatile and followed a downward trajectory throughout the year. The year began with an over 12% increase in investment spurred by the completion of public investment projects and an abrupt rise in investment projects implemented by foreign companies. It is likely to have ended with a slight year-on-year decrease mainly due to a slowdown in public investment – central and local government investment spending fell compared with the previous year already in Q3 to decrease even further by the end of the year.

The past year was marked by a fast increase in inflation, making it probably the most exciting and talked-about Polish economic indicator of 2019. Growth in consumer prices accelerated from 0.7% year on year in January to 3.4% year on year in December. This trajectory was down to several factors. Firstly, 2019 saw a fast increase in food prices, which affected almost all components of the basket, including the most volatile ones. It was caused, among others, by agricultural drought in Central Europe, spread of the ASF virus in Asia, and the impact of rising labour costs on processed food prices. Secondly, core inflation was on an upward trajectory throughout 2019. With 3.1% the December reading was one of the highest in history. The increase in core inflation was down to a combination of factors, including: an increase in regulated prices, the end of price wars on the mobile network and cable TV markets, growing labour costs pushing up the prices of services, and rising prices of public services. Prices of energy carriers and effects of the electricity price freeze (which, as a result of the electricity excise duty cut, were classified by Statistics Poland as a decrease in the price of electricity supplied to households) were among the few factors that pushed inflation down.



#### **CPI inflation and NBP reference rate**



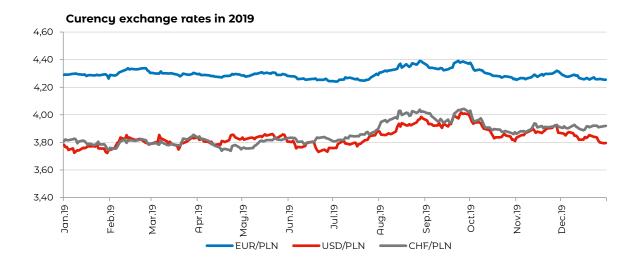
#### **Monetary policy**

2019 was another year of monetary stability with interest rates remaining flat throughout the year. The Monetary Policy Council's rhetoric was becoming more dovish along with the deterioration in global sentiment. At the same time, neither the Polish economic data, nor inflation readings encouraged the Council to soften or tighten its stance. Projections assuming weaker growth and inflation remaining close to the target over the next two years added to the rationale for an unchanged monetary policy. At the end of the year, the MPC's declarations to keep interest rates unchanged were extended by the end of its current term of office.

#### **PLN** quotations

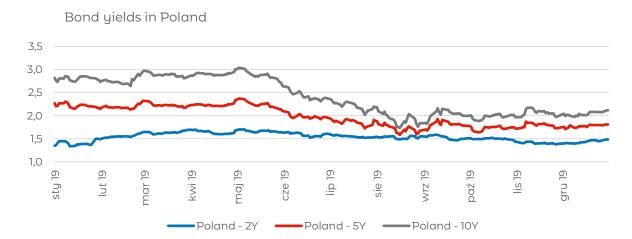
The zloty remained stable throughout 2019. It appreciated against the euro by approximately PLN 0.04 (from PLN 4.30 to PLN 4.26) but slid by PLN 0.10 against the Swiss franc (from PLN 3.82 to PLN 3.92) and by PLN 0.04 against the US dollar (from PLN 3.76 to PLN 3.80 at the end of the year). The changes against USD and CHF derive largely from a moderate weakening of the euro against a basket of other currencies in 2019, whereas the appreciation of the zloty against Europe's single currency deserves a comment. It can be attributed to both domestic and foreign factors. The former include CJEU's ruling on foreign currency mortgages and growing concerns about inflation growth in Poland at the end of the year. The latter comprise monetary loosening by central banks, which triggered an inflow of portfolio capital to emerging markets. Nevertheless, the entire year was marked by low fluctuations, compared with both the previous years and other emerging market assets. Consequently, to Poland, being a sound and open economy, the exchange rate is no longer a factor mitigating adverse shocks.





#### **Governments Bonds**

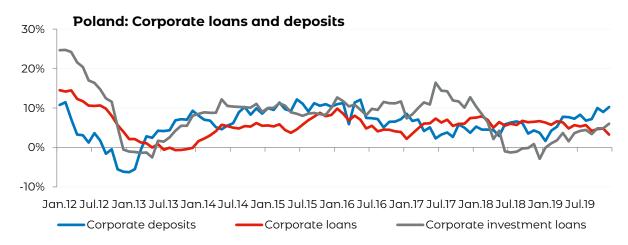
Those who expected market interest rates to decline were again the biggest winners on the market for Treasury debt securities. At the end of 2019, bond yields and swap rates fell from the levels reported at the beginning of the year. In August 2019 yield curves hit a record-low with all rates falling to their lowest since 2015. Despite better sentiment on global markets and the end of monetary loosening conducted by the main central banks, yields on ten-year Polish Treasury debt securities are currently quite similar to the yields on their US counterparts. Throughout the year the market was affected by several trends: mounting fears over global economic growth, especially in the second half of the year; low supply of Treasury debt securities (resulting from strong fiscal performance); inflows and outflows of capital from emerging markets in response to decreases and increases (respectively) of market interest rates in the United States and in Europe. Judging from the performance of the Polish bond market in 2019, it seems clear that it represents features characteristic of a developed rather than an emerging-market economy.





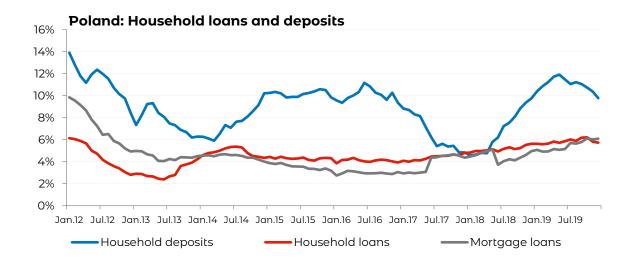
#### **Banking sector**

The 2019 growth in loan volumes was similar to the figure reported in the previous year. Growth in household loans accelerated from 5.6% to 5.7% year on year (net of the FX effect), whereas corporate lending advanced by 3.3% from the previous year (down from 6.7%). The former category deserves more attention. The strongest growth in retail loans since 2012 was driven by a nearly two-digit surge in consumer credit and recordbreaking sales of real property loans. The quarterly origination of the latter (PLN 16.9 billion in Q3 2019) hit a historic high in the PLN-denominated loans category. The entire 2019 is likely to have seen a record-high volume of new loans, exceeding PLN 60 billion, thereby breaking the 2008 record. It stems directly from the highly active real property market and upbeat consumer sentiment. Consumer credit, in turn, should be treated as a gauge lagging behind the consumption cycle; in other words, it supports consumption at the time of a slowdown rather than fuels it during a revival. The corporate lending segment witnessed a major shift in the lending structure with investment loans systematically replacing real property loans and overdraft facilities (in consequence, the total volume of corporate loans decreased). On the one hand, it was caused by the relatively small role of bank loans in financing investments, and, on the other hand, by lower demand for liquidity due to the waning effects of salary increases and tax system tightening.



2019 was marked by an increase in deposits, but the growth rates varied across sectors. Household deposits were rising by 10%-12% in the course of the year, while growth in corporate deposits jumped from 3.7% to 10.3% year on year. Retail deposit stabilisation was largely due to the fiscal stimulus and rotation of households' assets (high inflow of money to the market for new homes continued). In addition, it was propped up by an increase in the household savings ratio. High growth (in relation to the previous years and close to the multiannual average) in corporate deposits is attributable to lower pressure on financial performance in the enterprises sector (slower growth in salaries accompanied by rising inflation), the weak increase in investment, and waning effects of tax system tightening.





#### Economy and the banking sector in the Czech Republic

**Key indicators** 

Key macroeconomic parameters	2019	Banking sector indicators	2019
Real GDP growth rate (forecast)	2.5%	Base interest rate	2.00%
Nominal GDP per capita (EUR)	19,500 <sup>1</sup>	Loan to Deposit ratio	72.8%
GDP per capita in PPS (EU- 28=100)	90.5% <sup>1</sup>	NPL ratio	
Average annual inflation rate	2.6%	Total Capital Ratio (TCR)	20.3%1
Average annual unemployment rate	2.1%	Return on Assets (ROA)	1.2% <sup>1</sup>
Population	10.6 million	Return on Equity (ROE)	16.0% <sup>1</sup>

Source: Eurostat, Česká národní banka (CNB).

#### GDP, inflation, interest rates and FX rates

Economic growth in the Czech Republic is expected to have slowed down from 3.0% in 2018 to 2.5% in 2019, the main reason being sluggish internal demand, as reflected mainly in weaker growth in investment (down from 7.2% to 1.1% year on year) and a modest slowdown in private consumption increase. Owing to its strong commercial ties with the euro zone and export-oriented nature, the Czech economy benefits when the global economy picks up (like in 2017), but is strongly affected during a slowdown (like in 2019). At the same time, a tightening labour market (Czech Republic has the lowest unemployment rate in the EU) and robust growth in salaries bode well for private

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cumulative data for 9 months (as at September 30, 2019) or the latest data available



consumption. The inflow of EU funding fuels public investment, while easing trade tensions are expected to boost private investment. Czech GDP is expected to grow by an average of 2.1% annually in 2020-2021, which is roughly in line with the potential output growth rate.

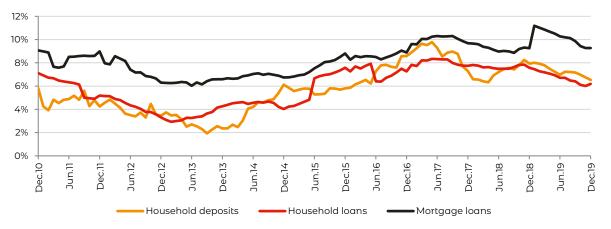
A dynamic increase in salaries and relatively fast economic growth (compared with the potential GDP growth rate) keep inflation high. The average annual inflation rate stood at 2.6% in 2019, while core inflation readings were even higher. In view of the mounting risk of inflation being persistently above the target in the medium term, the Czech National Bank (CNB) continued its monetary policy normalisation throughout 2019. At the end of 2019, the CNB's reference rate stood at 2.00% and is among the region's highest (only Romania has a higher rate). As the external environment of the Czech economy was in equilibrium, the start of monetary policy normalisation did not cause rapid appreciation of the koruna. The CNB is expected to abide by its current policy in the quarters to come, although at a reduced pace.

#### **Banking sector**

The favourable developments recorded in the Czech financial sector in past years continued into 2019. Good economic conditions were reflected in growth of the assets of the banking sector, which managed to maintain high profitability. Czech banks benefited mainly from rising monetary policy rates and their slower transmission to deposit rates than to loan rates, which allowed for a rebound of net interest margin. This, together with growing volumes, resulted in a double-digit increase of net interest income. A six-year downtrend of net fee and commission income was halted in 2018, but persisting competitive pressure has hindered any visible improvement of the line. Profits of the Czech banks have been also boosted by exceptionally low risk costs thanks to minor default rate, good recovery performance and some sales of impaired receivables. Asset quality remained very resilient as demonstrated by a further decrease of NPL ratio to 2.5% at the end of 2019 from 3.3% observed a year earlier, which is the lowest level compared to other countries in the CEE region. Funding and liquidity profiles continued to be solid with the sector's loan-to-deposit ratio of 72.8%. Czech banks have been very well-capitalized. However, responding to the risk associated with the phase of the business cycle, the central bank (ČNB) has been gradually rising the countercyclical capital buffer rate. It amounted to 1.50% in H2 2019, and starting from January 2020 was raised by 25 basis points to 1.75%, while another increase to 2.00% has been announced with effect from July 2020.

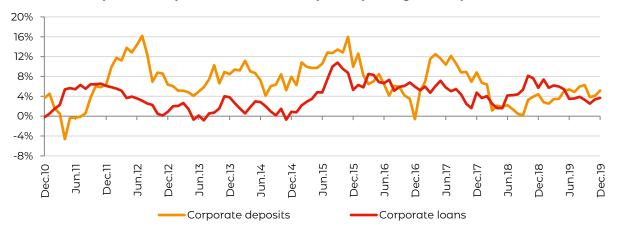


#### The Czech Republic: Household Loans and Deposits (YoY dynamics)



The growth in total loans to households maintained above 6% in 2019, but the annual dynamics decelerated slightly compared to the 2 preceding years. The development was predominantly driven by mortgage loans, which expanded by 9.3% from December 2018, while the volume of consumer and other loans showed a much slower increase during the same period. The ČNB tightened mortgage lending conditions as of October 2018, stating that the loan should not exceed nine times the net annual income of applicants, who should also spend no more than 45% of their net monthly income on debt service. The ČNB also recommended that the loan-to-value (LTV) ratio should not exceed 90% and that a LTV of over 80% should be for only 15% of loans provided by banks. The share of nonperforming loans in the total volume of loans to households was 1.7% in December 2019, declining from 2.1% at the end of 2018. After a slight slowdown in Q1 2018, the annual growth pace of household deposits regained to 8% in December 2018 and then it inverted again, approaching to 6.5% at the end of 2019. The maturity structure of deposit base was evolving significantly in 2013-2018, with demand deposits rising at double-digit rate and term deposits falling on average by 5% annually. However, 2019 brought some reversal of this long-lasting trend as inflows to term deposits reappeared.

#### The Czech Republic: Corporate Loans and Deposits (YoY dynamics)





Expansion of the outstanding corporate loan volume slowed down slightly in H2 2017, showing a subdued growth until mid-2018. After an acceleration at the turn of the year, the annual dynamics stabilized in the range of 3-4% in H2 2019. The share of non-performing loans in the total volume of loans to non-financial corporations has been constantly declining since 2011 and amounted to 3.2% at the end of 2019, compared to 3.6% a year earlier. Corporate deposits decelerated visibly during 2018, reaching near zero growth pace in September. Then, the dynamics restored and oscillated around 5% in H2 2019.

#### Economy and the banking sector in Slovakia

#### **Key indicators**

Key macroeconomic parameters	2019	Banking sector indicators	2019	
Real GDP growth rate (forecast)	2.7%	Base interest rate	0.00%	
Nominal GDP per capita (EUR)	16,500¹	Loan to Deposit ratio	104.5%	
GDP per capita in PPS (EU- 28=100)	<b>73.1</b> %¹	NPL ratio	2.6%	
Average annual inflation rate	2.7%	Total Capital Ratio (TCR)	18.3%¹	
Average annual unemployment rate	5.8%	Return on Assets (ROA)	0.6%1	
Population	5.4 million	Return on Equity (ROE)	<b>6.5</b> %¹	

Source: Eurostat, Národná banka Slovenska (NBS).

#### GDP, inflation and interest rates

The Slovak economy continues to grow steadily. After a 4.0% increase in GDP in 2018, the country's economy is estimated to have grown by 2.7% in 2019 due to weaker growth in investment and private consumption. The slowdown in investment was driven by lower inflow of EU funds and mounting trade tensions. Private consumption, in turn, has slowed down compared to the record highs in 2017, but still remains strong. It benefits from the continuous improvement in the labour market, subdued inflation, and the resulting growth in real disposable incomes.

As an Eurozone member, Slovakia has its reference rate set by the European Central Bank (ECB). In 2019 there was only one change in interest rates, i.e. a cut in the deposit facility rate.

The inflation rate stood at 2.7% in 2019, up from the 2.5% rise in consumer prices observed a year before. The reading was inflated by some components of the core part of the inflation basket. Inflation in Slovakia is thus higher than the Eurozone average.

The unemployment rate has been falling gradually since 2014 thanks to growing economic activity and creation of new jobs. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate stood at 5.8% in December 2019 which represents a year-on-year decrease.

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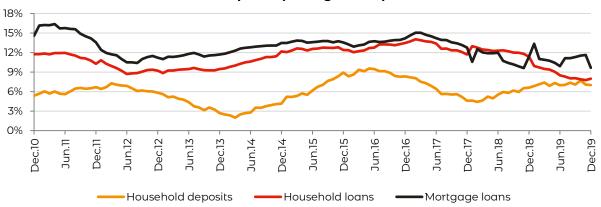


#### **Banking sector**

Although Slovak banks have operated in a relatively supportive economic environment in recent years, their profitability has remained lower than in many countries of the CEE region. The protracted period of ultra-low interest rates has continued to put pressure on their business model. In 2019, a further expanding lending activity was not enough to compensate for falling net interest margin, what resulted in negative dynamics of net interest income and consequently a marginal decline of total banking revenues. In addition, banks in Slovakia have been paying the special levy, which at present is set at 0.2% of total liabilities per year and costs the sector around 18% of its net profit on average. A key counterbalancing factor has been development of loan impairment provisions. The credit risk costs have descended significantly over the past years and is now at a historically low level, but the default rate has stopped falling. The improvement of asset quality was mainly the result of both dynamic expansion in loans and a decline in the stock

non-performing receivables. The NPL ratio for Slovakia is among lowest in the CEE region, reaching 2.6% at the end of 2019 and dropping from 2.7% a year earlier. The overall loan-to-deposit ratio continued to be above 100% in 2019, but did not materially change compared to the end of 2018. The Slovak banking sector's resilience has been strengthened by its increasing capital adequacy. However, at its meeting in July 2019, the Board of Slovak National Bank decided to increase the countercyclical capital buffer rate for Slovak exposures by 50 basis points, to 2.0% of risk weighted assets, with effect from August 2020.

#### Slovakia: Household Loans and Deposits (YoY dynamics)

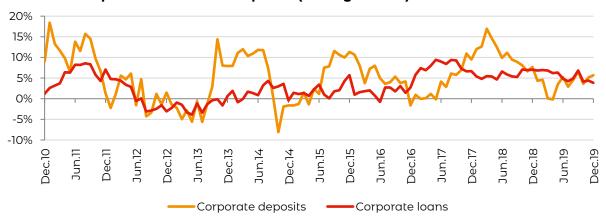


The growth rate of total loans to households gradually moderated in 2019, to 8.0% at year-end. The slowdown was particularly large in the case of consumer loans. Its main causes were the central bank's tightening of regulatory lending requirements and the incipient saturation of certain market segments. The volume of new housing loans has surged, partly due to borrowers taking advantage of lower rates to refinance or top up their existing loans. The portfolio expanded by more than 10% for most of the year. The continuing high loan growth has largely reflected strong demand supported by a long-running uptrend in borrowing capacity. According to the local central bank, thanks to



wage growth and falling interest rates, the loans that borrowers can afford are one-third higher now than they were in 2016. This increase is roughly consistent with the rise in residential prices over the same period. The share of non-performing loans in the total volume of loans to households remained broadly stable and reached 2.9% in December 2019. Development of retail deposits showed a constant downward trend from mid-2016 and bottomed out in Q1 2018. Then, client inflows accelerated, what translated into faster annual dynamics, which stabilized at around 7% in H2 2019. Since the mid-2013 the structure of household deposit base has been changing. The volume of term deposits has been mostly decreasing over the past years, what was more than compensated by strong growth of retail demand deposits, which continued to expand by more than 10% in 2019.

#### Slovakia: Corporate Loans and Deposits (YoY dynamics)



In 2017, the corporate credit market was in the expansionary phase of its cycle, with the average annual growth rate oscillating at around 7-8%. For most of 2018, the volume increase remained slightly decelerated to mid-single digit, while the pace advanced to 7.0% in December. The Slovak economy's recent slowdown had an impact on the activity of enterprises in H2 2019. The year-on-year increase in total loans to this segment decelerated to around 4%, mostly driven by lower financing granted for investments and contracts with terms longer than one year. The share of non-performing loans in the total volume of loans to non-financial corporations decreased to 3.3% at the end of 2019 from 3.7% in 2018. After an acceleration of corporate deposits from mid-2017 to a local peak in Q1 2018, the year-on-year dynamics visibly slowed down and finally recorded 0% in April 2019. In H2 2019, the annual growth rebounded and ended the year at around 5%.



### Market and regulatory environment

mBank Group is an active participant and often a leader of changes introduced in expectation of and in response to developments in its environment, including the area of regulations and technology. The Group employees spare no effort in proactively adjusting the offer and principles of operation to new challenges, always with an eye on building top quality relationships with stakeholders. Some of the requirements imposed on mBank and the Group subsidiaries do not affect clients directly, but still involve a heavy workload connected with adjusting internal processes. Below we discuss selected key developments significantly affecting mBank Group observed in 2019 or expected in the nearest future. Capital requirements and regulations on accounting and reporting standards have been addressed in dedicated sections of the report.

#### **Clients and products**

# Ruling of the Court of Justice of the European Union dated October 3, 2019, in case C-260/18 (Dziubak vs Raiffeisen Bank International AG)

On October 3, 2019, the Court of Justice of the European Union issued the ruling in the prejudicial mode regarding a mortgage linked to the Swiss franc granted by a Polish bank. The submitted prejudicial questions were to determine, among other things, if a generally applicable custom can be used where there is no provision in domestic law that could replace an abusive exchange rate clause. In accordance with CJEU's ruling, the question of abusiveness will be decided by Polish courts. CJEU did not refer to this issue. In addition, CJEU did not make a clear-cut decision regarding the consequences of an exchange rate clause being considered abusive by a domestic court. However, the possibility of a credit agreement being performed further in PLN and with interest calculated according to LIBOR was found doubtful by the Court. If an exchange rate clause is found abusive, a domestic court must decide whether the agreement in question can be performed further or should be declared invalid, taking into account the client's will and the consequences of invalidity for the client. CJEU approved the application of a disposable norm (in the bank's opinion article 358 of the Polish Civil Code referring to the NBP fixing rate can be considered to be a disposable norm), if the invalidity of the agreement would be unfavourable for the client. CJEU rejected the application of general provisions referring to a custom or equity principles.

There are individual court proceedings initiated against mBank by its customers in connection with CHF loan agreements. Out of the individual proceedings, 2,902 proceedings with the total value of claims amounting to PLN 430.1 million related to indexation clauses in CHF loan agreements and include claims for declaring invalidity of the loan agreements in part (i.e. to the extent that the agreement contains contractual provisions related to indexation) or in whole. The final rulings to-date in the indexation clauses proceedings are favourable to the Bank in the majority of the cases.

As far as the legal proceedings relating to indexation clauses in mortgage and housing loans in CHF are concerned, in the opinion of the Management Board of the bank, the current state of judicial decisions is unstable and the line of verdicts is not consistent,



hence it is extremely difficult to estimate the level of provisions for the legal risk associated with this portfolio of loans. The bank believes that currently observed market practice of implementing of portfolio approach towards creation of provisions for legal risk relating to such cases is to some extent the response to ongoing public debate and position of audit firms. These methodologies are burdened with numerous doubts and assumptions that reflect current court cases statistics and the level of understanding of extremely diversified judgments that cannot yet be interpreted as a shaping line of verdicts at this stage. In the opinion of the Management Board of the bank a large part of court judgments unfavourable to banks results from misunderstanding of the essence of banking activity, which is reflected in the content of justifications for judgments issued. They undermine the basic paradigms of banking activity and regulatory directives to which banks are subject, which can lead to a deep redefinition of banking activity and questioning the current understanding of such categories as loan and interest.

Detailed information concerning proceedings before a court, arbitration body or public administration authority are described in the Note 32 of the mBank S.A. Group IFRS Consolidated Financial Statements 2019. mBank Group's approach to the calculation of legal risk provisions related to the indexation clauses in the CHF loans agreements is described in greater detail in Note 4 Major estimates and judgments made in connection with the application of accounting policy principles.

#### Real estate financing - Recommendation S of PFSA

On December 3, 2019, the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA) passed amendments to Recommendation S, a best-practice guideline for the management of mortgage-backed credit exposures. The amended recommendation sets out new principles for offering fixed rate or semi-fixed rate mortgages by banks and allows clients to change their existing floating rate loans into fixed rate (or semi-fixed rate) loans. In addition, the recommendation introduces a new "key for debt" option, under which a client who transfers the ownership of a real property financed by a bank loan to the bank has his/her debt cancelled by the lender. However, the new Recommendation S does not oblige banks to offer this new solution, but only sets out the best practice for its application. When launching a new product, in particular fixed rate (or semi-fixed rate) loans, banks are obliged to provide clients with full information about the product and the risk it carries as well as to sell the product to clients according to their needs and understanding. Commercial banks must comply with the amended Recommendation S by December 31, 2020.

# Act on Amending the Act on Assistance to Home Loan Borrowers in a Difficult Financial Situation and Certain Other Acts

On July 4, 2019, the Sejm passed the Act on Assistance to Home Loan Borrowers in a Difficult Financial Situation, which entered into force on January 1, 2020. The new regulation modifies the eligibility criteria for borrowers, in particular, by raising the minimum income entitling borrowers to apply for assistance, increasing the monthly support from the Fund from PLN 1,500 to PLN 2,000, and extending the period of assistance from 18 to 36 months and the period of interest-free repayment from 8 to 12



years. In addition, the act provides for a partial cancellation of debts owed to the Fund, in particular, for borrowers who repay their instalments in a timely manner. Moreover, a borrower who sells a property financed by a bank loan may apply to the Borrower Support Fund for an interest-free loan when the proceeds from the sale are too low to cover the borrower's debt in whole, on the terms and conditions applicable to borrowers applying for assistance in the repayment of credit instalments. The said regulations apply to borrowers who took out loans in the Polish złoty and in foreign currencies.

# Ruling of the Court of Justice of the European Union dated September 11, 2019, in case C-383/18, announcement of the Polish Bank Association on starting work on amending the Consumer Credit Act, resolution of the Supreme Court dated December 12, 2019

In its judgement of September 11, 2019, the Court of Justice of the European Union ruled that Article 16 (1) of Directive 2008/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit agreements for consumers and repealing Council Directive 87/102/EEC must be interpreted as meaning that the right of the consumer to a reduction in the total cost of a credit in the event of early repayment of the credit includes all the costs imposed on the consumer. The CJEU ruling, its consequences, and their implications are currently subject to economic and legal analyses. Detailed information about actions taken by mBank to comply with the ruling is provided in Note 4 to the mBank S.A. Group IFRS Consolidated Financial Statements 2019.

#### Act of August 30, 2019, on Amending the Bankruptcy Act and Certain Other Acts

The purpose of amendments to the Bankruptcy Act passed in 2019 is to simplify and facilitate the consumer bankruptcy process. The amended regulations apply to consumers unable to repay their debts. They serve to write off the debts of insolvent debtors and help creditors recover (collect) their receivables. Most of the new regulations will enter into force on March 24, 2020. The potential consequences of their introduction include a rising number of consumers declaring bankruptcy and new restrictions on debt collection under bankruptcy proceedings that may be imposed on banks.

#### **Secure banking**

#### Strong customer authentication under PSD2

On September 14, 2019, banks implemented strong customer authentication in accordance with the Payment Services Act of August 19, 2011 and EU regulations on payment services and strong customer authentication. It introduces an additional security step for clients logging in to their accounts and for payment transactions. Strong authentication uses at least two of the following three elements: something the user knows (e.g. PIN), something the user has (e.g. phone app) and something the user is (biometric data). For more information about mBank's actions taken to implement the new regulations, go to our website: https://www.mbank.pl/psd2/strona-glowna/.

#### **Register of Beneficial Owners**



The Ministry of Finance has published on its website a Central Register of Beneficial Owners (Polish: CRBR) in accordance with the Act of March 1, 2018 on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing. The purpose is to collect and process information on beneficial owners of companies, i.e. natural persons controlling companies, either directly or indirectly. By April 13, 2020 selected companies are obliged to register in CRBR, while information on new companies and changes in data registered in CRBR must be provided within seven days from the date of incorporation or the date of registration in the National Court Register (KRS), whichever applies. The purpose of maintaining a public register offering free access to information on beneficial owners is to improve confidence in the financial market and participants of business transactions.

# Act of August 30, 2019, on Amending the Code of Commercial Partnerships and Companies and Certain Other Acts

The act provides for mandatory dematerialisation of shares of non-public joint-stock companies and limited joint-stock partnerships. It means that every shareholder will be mandatorily entered in registers kept by entities indicated in the act, e.g. banks or brokerage houses. The amendments serve to improve the transparency of the capital market, give tax authorities enhanced access to shareholder information, and to counteract money laundering. In addition, the act obligates joint-stock companies and limited joint-stock partnerships to run their own websites for the required communication with shareholders.

# Stance of the PFSA on the application of EBA Guidelines on outsourcing arrangements

On September 16, 2019, the Office of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA) announced its intention to apply the Guidelines on outsourcing arrangements published by the European Banking Authority (EBA) on February 25, 2019 (EBA/GL/2019/02). The guidelines set out principles for managing outsourcing arrangements, in particular critical or important functions outsourced to service providers. Among others, the guidelines set out detailed requirements concerning the minimum content of outsourcing arrangements as well as principles of selecting service providers, developing exit plans, and managing risk inherent in the process. Banks have been obliged to comply with the guidelines by June 30, 2020 with the exception of cloud outsourcing, which will be governed by a national framework. Apart from facilitating the management of outsourcing arrangements at banks, the revised guidelines also seek to address the technological development and digitalisation in the sector.

#### Act on Strengthening Financial Market Supervision and Protection of Investors

July 1, 2019, was the effective date of new tighter regulations on bond issues and the resulting disclosure obligations introduced under the Act of November 9, 2018 on Amending Certain Acts in Connection with Strengthening Financial Market Supervision and Protection of Financial Market Investors. Aiming at greater transparency and security of bond issues, the regulations stipulate, among others, mandatory dematerialisation of securities and their registration in the securities depository, and



oblige issuers to involve an issue agent in the process, i.e. a professional entity tasked with verifying whether an issue complies with law.

#### Organisational changes arising from new regulations

#### **Act on Employee Capital Plans**

On January 1, 2019, the Act on Employee Capital Plans (Polish: PPK) entered into force. It establishes legal framework for a universal and voluntary pension savings system. In line with the assumptions of the government's Strategy for Responsible Development, PPK may increase not only the individual pension savings of employees, but also the overall savings in Poland and give a positive boost to the capital market. On July 1, 2019, employees of the largest companies were the first to join the programme. The act affects the operation of banks both directly (with banks being employers withholding PPK contributions) and indirectly (via its presence on presumably revived the capital market, on which financial institutions play an active role).

#### Recommendation B restricting banks' investment activity

On March 26, 2019, the Polish Financial Supervision Authority released the amended recommendation on investment risk management at banks. The recommendation reflects supervisory expectations and good practices regarding banks' proprietary investments in financial instruments or shares in companies, but not in derivatives. Among others, the recommendation outlines expectations about investment strategy and policy, staff qualifications and internal procedures that banks must have in place, in keeping with the proportionality principle.

# Act of January 17, 2019, on Amending the Act on the Bank Guarantee Fund, Deposit Guarantee Scheme and Resolution and Certain Other Acts (the "BFG Act")

On March 7, 2019, the amended BFG Act setting out detailed principles of banks' resolution entered into force. Its purpose is to streamline the resolution procedure and strengthen the deposit guarantee scheme. In particular, a new category of claims satisfied from the bankruptcy estate of a bank was added to Bankruptcy Law in order to improve the effectiveness of the bail-in tool. Moreover, the PFSA was further empowered to decide on the takeover of a bank by another bank when the conditions set out in law materialise (e.g. when a bank's own funds fall below the required minimum) and the BFG was authorised to support this process. At the same time, mortgage banks were exempt from certain provisions of the act and the obligation to include the bail-in clause in the terms and conditions of issue and in financial instruments agreements was limited.

In April 2019, the PFSA permitted the BFG to set up the first bridge bank in Poland ("Pierwszy Bank BFG") as its sole owner. In December 2019 another bridge bank was set up, under the name "Bank Nowy BFG". In accordance with the BFG Act, a bridge bank, being one of the resolution tools, allows for continuing the critical functions of a bank



placed under resolution and protects the financial stability of the banking sector after the resolution procedure has been instigated. In January 2020 a dedicated part of cooperative bank Podkarpacki Bank Spółdzielczy, which is under resolution, was moved to Bank Nowy BFG.

#### CRR 2 and CRD 5

On June 7, 2019, a package including CRR 2 and CRD 5 was published in the Official Journal of the European Union. The regulations govern long-term liquidity (introduction of NSFR), market risk in the trading book, leverage ratio, interest rate risk in the banking book, proportionality principle and special approach to financing SMEs and infrastructure projects. The broad scope covered by the package requires banks to make numerous adjustments, e.g. as far as measurement of capital used by products or stress testing are concerned, but the transitional provisions give banks time to gradually adjust to the new regulatory framework. At the same time, discussions about the Basel IV areas not covered by the CRR 2/CRD 5 package, in particular the revision of the standardised approach and the IRB approach for credit risk, are underway. Banks take active part in analysing the proposed solutions.

#### **IFRS 16**

Starting from January 1, 2019, institutions applying the International Financial Reporting Standards are obliged to comply with IFRS 16 Leases. The obligation to recognise lease contracts in the balance sheet (not in the off-balance sheet as before) affects the level of financial ratios. At mBank we have analysed all contracts falling within the scope of the standard. We adjusted our accounting policy and operational procedures. Moreover, we modified our IT systems to improve data collection and processing.

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/482 of March 22, 2019, amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1368 establishing a list of critical benchmarks used in financial markets pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council

On March 26, 2019, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/482 entered into force. Under the regulation, the Warsaw Interbank Offered Rate (WIBOR) was recognised by the European Commission as a critical benchmark. The decision was an element of a broader reform of benchmarks used to determine the price of many financial instruments and financial contracts. Since WIBOR was recognised as a critical benchmark, the period for bringing it into compliance with the EU Benchmarks Regulation (Regulation 2016/1011 of June 8, 2016 or BMR) was extended by two years. As a result, GPW Benchmark S.A. (WIBOR administrator) is obliged to implement all necessary modifications by the end of 2021. On July 19, 2019, the PFSA published its stance on the standard for the provision of benchmarks arising from Regulation 2016/1011 in which it emphasized the need to remain flexible in determining benchmarks due to the volatility of financial markets. In accordance with the PFSA's stance, lenders are obliged to inform consumers about the names of benchmarks and their administrators,



while the responsibility for defining and formulating the method for determining benchmarks rests with benchmark administrators.



### mBank Group's market position of segments

mBank vs sector

Net interest margin

2.63% vs 2.51%

Cost-to-income ratio

50.5% vs 55.4%

\*including banking tax

Return on Assets

0.66% vs 0.75%

Return on Equity

6.6% vs 7.1%

Our objective is to provide an attractive offer to a wide range of clients while achieving business and financial goals. This is reflected in the development dynamics in particular areas: the non-mortgage loan portfolio for retail clients in 2019 increased by 17.4% at mBank compared to 5.0% for the sector (based on NBP comparable data). Market share in the mortgage loans segment increased to 7.3% throughout the year.



The market position and shares of mBank and selected subsidiaries at the end of periods are illustrated in the following table:

Business category (# - market position)	Market share			
	2016	2017	2018	2019
Corporate Banking				
Corporate loans	6.1%	6.4%	6.6%	7.5%
Corporate deposits	10.1%	9.6%	9.0%	9.9%
Leasing	6.9%	7.4%	7.4%	6.8%
Factoring (#5 on the market)	7.3%	7.2%	7.9%	7.9%
Retail Banking in Poland				
Total loans	6.5%	6.3%	6.5%	7.0%
of which mortgage loans	7.5%	6.9%	6.9%	7.3%
Non-mortgage loans	5.0%	5.4%	5.8%	6.5%
Deposits	6.1%	5.9%	6.4%	7.0%
Retail Banking in the Czech Republic				
Total loans	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.3%
of which mortgage loans	1.8%	1.7%	1.6%	1.4%
Non-mortgage loans	0.7%	0.8%	0.9%	1.0%
Deposits	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%
Retail Banking in Slovakia				
Total loans	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%
of which mortgage loans	0.8%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Non-mortgage loans	0.4%	0.6%	0.7%	0.8%
Deposits	1.6%	1.7%	1.8%	1.9%
Investment Banking				
Financial markets3				
Treasury bills and bonds	16.2%	14.8%	14.3%	11.3%
IRS/FRA	11.5%	12.5%	10.7%	15.1%
Non-Treasury securities (the value of debt)				
Short-term debt securities (#3 on the market)	9.8%	7.4%	11.6%	9.2%
Corporate bonds (#3 on the market)	11.5%	12.9%	12.0%	12.1%
Bank debt securities4 (#1 on the market)	34.6%	31.2%	23.4%	23.8%
Brokerage				
Equities trading (#13 on the market)	4.4%	5.3%	4.1%	3.4%
Futures (#3 on the market)	12.3%	11.9%	15.6%	13.0%
Options (#5 on the market)	9.7%	12.8%	12.0%	9.4%

Source: Own calculations based on data from mBank, NBP, WSE, Česká národní banka (ČNB), Národná banka Slovenska (NBS), Fitch Polska, Polish Factors Association, Polish Leasing Association, press reports.

Sector data as at December 31, 2019 (released on February 14, 2020). Sector ratios calculated based on the monthly data of banking sector published by PFSA (banking sector together with branches of credit institutions).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> mBank Group ratios calculated as defined in chapter 6. Financial position of mBank Group and mBank in 2019, except for Net Interest Margin which was adjusted to sector calculation (net interest income divided by average total assets).

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**Net interest margin**: net interest income divided by average total assets (calculated based on the end-of-month data)

**Cost/Income ratio** (incl. banking tax): total costs (sum of administration costs and depreciation) divided by net total operating income.

Return on assets: profit for the year divided by average total assets (calculated based on the end-of-month data)

**Return on equity**: profit for the year divided by average total equity (calculated based on the end-of-month data)

**Loan to deposit ratio**: sum of loans and advances at amortised cost, loans and advances/other receivables at fair value through other comprehensive income and loans and advances/other receivables designated at fair value through profit or loss divided by deposits (measured at amortised cost) as of the end of period.

<sup>2</sup>2017 market share updated compared to value presented in the Management Board Report on Performance of mBank S.A. Group in 2017 due to update of data by the Polish Factors Association.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Data as at November 2019

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Excluding "road bonds" issued by Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego (BGK).



## **Shareholders**

# mBank shares have been listed on the Warsaw Stock Exchange (WSE) since 1992.

mBank shares are included in the following indexes:

WIG WIG- WIG20 WIG30 WIG20TR WIG30TR WIG- WIG- CEEplus Poland Banks ESG

As at December 31, 2019, mBank's registered share capital amounted to PLN 169,401,468 and was divided into 42,350,367 shares, including 42,338,367 ordinary bearer shares and 12,000 ordinary registered shares with a nominal value of PLN 4 each. Each share carries one voting right at the Annual General Meeting. In 2019, 13,385 ordinary bearer shares were admitted to trading.

### The new shares were issued pursuant to:

## Resolution No. 21 of the 21st Annual General Meeting of the Bank dated March 14, 2008

on issuing bonds with the pre-emptive right to take up shares of mBank S.A., and on conditional increase of the share capital by way of issuing shares with exclusion of the pre-emptive right of the existing shareholders in order to enable the participants of the incentive programme to take up the mBank S.A. shares, and on applying for admission of the shares to trading on the regulated market, and on dematerialisation of the shares (as amended); and

## Resolution No. 3 of the 16th Extraordinary General Meeting of the Bank dated October 27, 2008

on issuing bonds with the pre-emptive right to take up shares of mBank S.A. and conditional share capital increase by way of issuing shares with exclusion of the pre-emptive right of the existing shareholders in order to enable the participants of the employee incentive programme to take up the bank's shares, and on application for admission of the shares to trading on the regulated market, and on dematerialisation of the shares (as amended).

Information concerning mBank shares	2018	2019
Total number of shares	42,336,982	42,350,367
Nominal value per share (PLN)	4.00	4.00
Registered share capital (PLN)	169,347,928	169,401,468
Share price at closing of the year's last	424.20	389.40
trading session (PLN)		
P/E ratio	13.8	16.3



P/BV ratio	1.2	1.0
Maximum share price (PLN)	533.50	469.40
Minimum share price (PLN)	374.00	303.20
Company capitalisation at the year-end	18.0	16.5
(PLN billion)		
Average traded volume (PLN million)	8.1	8.5
Dividend per share (paid out in the year,	5.15	0
PLN)		

#### mBank shareholders

Commerzbank AG has been the strategic shareholder of mBank since 1994. Its stake increased gradually from 21.0% in 1995 to 50.0% in 2000 and 72.2% in 2003. Starting from 2005, Commerzbank's stake has declined due to the implementation of the managerial options programmes at the bank. As at the end of 2019, Commerzbank AG held 69.31% of shares and votes at the General Meeting. The remaining 30.69% of mBank shares in free float are held mainly by financial investors, including Polish pension funds, and Polish and foreign investment funds. Nationale-Nederlanden Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny holds the largest stake. Periodically, i.e. by 28 January and from 24 September to 16 October 2019, Nationale-Nederlanden OFE held more than 5.0% of shares and votes at the Annual General Meeting of mBank. The third largest shareholder of mBank was AVIVA Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny AVIVA BZ WBK.

## Performance of shares in 2019

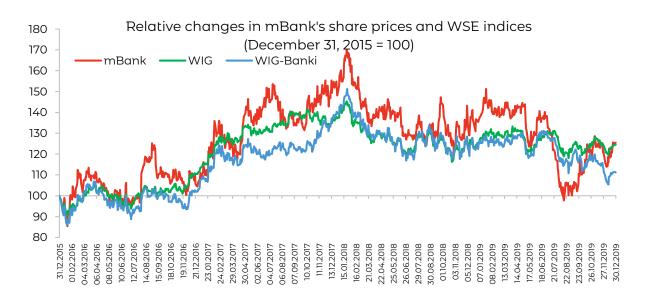
The situation on the WSE is largely affected by the situation on foreign stock markets and by foreign investor sentiment towards the emerging markets basket. In 2019 shares listed in the US were affected, among others, by fears of a bear market after a long growth period and tensions between the US and China in the aftermath of tariffs imposed on Chinese goods by the US administration. In Western Europe, sentiment on stock markets was driven, in particular, by Brexit, economic slowdown, and the European Parliament election. Despite all the risks, most global and European indices rose in 2019. The rates of return on the WSE indices fell behind the developed stock markets and emerging markets from our region.

2019 was a mixed year for the WSE. Compared with 2018, broad-based WIG Index remained practically unchanged (+0.2% year on year). Only a few companies could boast robust rates of return. This was the case mainly for small companies, especially from the IT industry, game producers, and photovoltaic firms. In 2019 there was no strong demand stimulus on the part of foreign investors or domestic institutional investors. Pension funds continued the sell-off of Polish shares. Investors redeemed their shares in investment funds in response to the GetBack case and issues connected with investment funds associated with the troubled debt collector. Shares of large corporations performed disappointingly. Throughout 2019 WIG-20 Index sank by 5.6%. Only seven companies included in WIG20 generated positive rates of return.



The large supply of shares observed on the WSE resulted from a rebalancing of emerging market indices towards a reduced weighting of Polish assets. This was coupled with fears of bank earnings being pushed down by potentially large provisions for legal risks. Throughout 2019 WIG-Banks Index sank by 9.2%. Only 4 out of 14 companies included in WIG-Banks at the end of 2019 generated positive rates of return.

Fears of a decrease in banks' financial performance sparked a downgrade from analysts. The key risk factors threatening the banking sector included: uncertainty about the cost of provisions for FX mortgage loans, impact of the CJEU ruling on reimbursement of fees paid by clients who repaid consumer loans ahead of schedule, and the risk of low profitability and capital shortage faced by certain banks. In addition, the sector's profitability has become more likely to come under pressure from rising contributions to the Bank Guarantee Fund, the expected economic slowdown and its potential adverse effect on risk costs.



mBank's share price at close of trade in 2019 (December 30) stood at PLN 389.40, which represents a decline by 8.2% compared with the last trading day of 2018 (December 28). The strong downward trend observed since late June was driven predominantly by investor concerns about court rulings on CHF-indexed housing loans becoming increasingly favourable to clients. The trend was bucked in mid-August after the price to book value ratio reached a level appealing to investors. In Q4 2019, mBank's share price outperformed WIG-Banks on news that Commerzbank intends to sell its majority holding in mBank announced on 20 September. Seven out of 11 bank analysts and brokers actively monitoring mBank's financial performance and issuing recommendations concerning mBank shares advised investors to sell their shares in the company. The remaining four analysts issued "hold" recommendations.

mBank's capitalisation amounted to PLN 16.5 billion (EUR 3.9 billion) as at the end of 2019 compared with PLN 18.0 billion (EUR 4.2 billion) at the end of 2018. P/BV (price/book value)



for mBank Group stood at 1.0 compared with 1.2 at the end of 2018. P/E (price/earnings per share) ratio stood at 16.3 compared with 13.8 in 2018.

mBank share price vs. indices	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
mBank	-36.9%	+6.8%	+38.7%	-8.8%	-8.2%
WIG-Banks Index	-23.5%	+2.9%	+35.4%	-12.1%	-9.2%
EURO STOXX Banks Index	-4.9%	-8.1%	+10.9%	-33.3%	+11.1%

#### Investor Relations at mBank

The Investor Relations, Group Strategy and Macro Research Department, acting in cooperation with the Management Board and other organisational units of the bank, provides analysts and investors with reliable and complete information about mBank Group, in compliance with the reporting obligations arising from the group's operation on the regulated market. mBank applies the corporate governance principles described in detail in mBank's statement on application of corporate governance principles in 2019.

Reliable and transparent communication with stakeholders and equal access to information help build confidence of the market. mBank has been actively communicating with capital market participants, which includes activities addressing and adjusted to the needs of individual groups, in accordance with the best market standards and practices.

The bank contacts its stakeholders in Polish and English at meetings, during teleconferences, via e-mail and through regularly updated information published on the official website of mBank.

### Investor relations website

(https://www.mbank.pl/en/investor-relations/) features information divided into categories, in particular periodic reports, financial results and selected business data, presentations and video recordings of earnings conferences, data on shareholders and share price of mBank on WSE, consensus of forecast results of the Group, compendium of knowledge for new investors, current reports, information on AGMs, ratings and debt instruments. The website gives investors access to historic results of the Group and the bank (periodic reports, presentations and video recordings of earnings conferences) and to an archive of Annual General Meetings. Analysts and mBank's investors are kept abreast of the major developments in mBank Group in a monthly Newsletter and ad-hoc e-mails.

#### **Conferences**

In 2019 investors and stock market analysts participated in four earnings conferences announcing mBank's financial results, both in person and online. Every conference was attended by about twenty representatives of brokerage houses and investors. All meetings with the Management Board accompanying the announcement of quarterly figures were broadcast on the Internet in Polish and English and posted on the bank's



website. Relations with analysts, shareholders and potential investors are also strengthened through meetings at conferences in Poland and abroad. In 2019, mBank participated in three conferences in Warsaw and four conferences abroad (in London, Athens, Frankfurt and Prague). Moreover, the bank organised one roadshow in Vienna. Throughout the year, apart from meetings at conferences and roadshows, the Management Board members and/or the Investor Relations team held individual meetings with investors and analysts.

## Meetings with rating agencies analysts

Just like in previous years, in 2019 the Management Board representatives met with analysts from rating agencies. Moreover, the bank has been in regular contact with rating agencies through teleconferences and emails exchanged with analysts.

### **Annual reports**

Each year mBank publishes integrated annual reports online. This is the broadest and most mature form of reporting, compliant with international standards and best practicies.

In "The Best Annual Report 2018" contest organised by the Institute of Accountancy and Taxes (IRiP), the results of which were annualced in October 2019, we won the title "The Best of the Best" for the best annual report in the category of financial institutions for the seventh time in a row. The aim of the competition is to promote annual reports of the best value for shareholders and investors.

## Credit ratings of mBank and mBank Hipoteczny

mBank has solicited ratings assigned by S&P Global Ratings (S&P) and Fitch Ratings (Fitch). These ratings are based on data provided to the agencies and talks between rating analysts and mBank's representatives. mBank has also ratings based on publically available information assigned by Moody's Investors Service (Moody's), Capital Intelligence Ratings (CI Ratings) and EuroRating.

mBank Hipoteczny is rated by Moody's and Fitch. Moody's has assigned rating for mortgage covered bonds issued by mBank Hipoteczny (a solicited rating).

## Ratings of mBank and mBank Hipoteczny assigned by S&P Global Ratings

On September 25, 2019, S&P Global Ratings lowered mBank's long-term issuer credit rating from "BBB+" to "BBB" and long-term resolution counterparty rating (RCR) from "A-" to "BBB+". The short-term rating was affirmed at "A-2". At the same time S&P changed the rating outlook from negative to developing.

As a result of the above rating action, the long-term issuer credit rating of mBank corresponds to is stand-alone credit profile (SACP). Before the rating action, the long-term rating of mBank was higher than its stand-alone credit profile by one notch. It resulted from S&P's assessment that mBank is a strategically important subsidiary of Commerzbank, which implies a high likelihood of extraordinary support. The agency verified this assessment in connection with the announcement of Commerzbank's 5.0



strategy, which provides for the sale of a majority stake in mBank. The developing outlook indicates that the rating agency may raise, lower, or affirm the ratings over the next 12-24 months, depending on the implications of the sale process of mBank.

S&P Global Ratings	Ratings of mBank
Long-term issuer credit rating (foreign currency)	BBB (developing outlook)
Short-term issuer credit rating (foreign currency)	A-2
Stand-alone Credit Profile (SACP)	bbb
Rating of unsecured debt issued under the Euro	BBB
Medium Term Note Programme (EMTN)	DDD
Long-term resolution counterparty ratings (long-term	BBB+
RCR)	DDD+
Short-term resolution counterparty rating (short-term	А-2
DCD)	<b>⊓</b> -∠

## Ratings of mBank and mBank Hipoteczny assigned by Fitch Ratings

On October 15, 2019, Fitch Ratings lowered the Long-Term Issuer Default Rating (IDR) of mBank from "BBB" to "BBB-" and placed the rating on Rating Watch Positive (RWP).

The downgrade reflects Fitch's verified assessment of mBank's potential parental support after the announcement of the new strategy 'Commerzbank 5.0'. According to Fitch, mBank is no longer a strategically important subsidiary for Commerzbank AG. As a result of the above rating action, the Long-Term Issuer Default Rating of the Bank corresponds to its individual rating, i.e. viability rating ("bbb-"). The RWP indicates that the ownership change should be positive for mBank's credit profile. This reflects Fitch's expectation that the Polish regulator will require Commerzbank to retain the risks associated with mBank's portfolio of foreign-currency mortgage loans (primarily CHF loans).

Along with the lowering of mBank's Long-Term Issuer Default Rating, the following ratings were changed:

- Short-Term Issuer Default Rating: downgraded from "F2" to "F3";
- Support rating: downgraded from "2" to "3";
- Long-term senior unsecured debt rating: downgraded from "BBB" to "BBB-" and
- Short-term senior unsecured debt rating: downgraded from "F2" to "F3".

mBank Hipoteczny is rated by Fitch Ratings. On May 28, 2019, mBank Hipoteczny terminated the agreement on covered bonds' rating concluded with Fitch. On August 19, 2019, Fitch affirmed mBank Hipoteczny's mortgage covered bonds at "A". Fitch has subsequently withdrawn the covered bonds' rating.

On October 15, 2019, Fitch downgraded mBank Hipoteczny's long-term rating from "BBB" to "BBB-" and its short-term rating from "F2" to "F3". The support rating was affirmed at "2". As in the case of mBank, mBank Hipoteczny's ratings were placed on Rating Watch Positive.



Fitch Ratings	Ratings of mBank	Ratings of mBank Hipoteczny	
Long-term IDR (foreign currencies)	BBB- (RWP)	BBB- (RWP)	
Short-term IDR (foreign currencies)	F3	F3	
Viability rating	bbb-	-	
Support rating	3	2	
Rating of unsecured debt issued under			
the Euro Medium Term Note	BBB-	-	
Programme (FMTN)			

## Ratings of mBanku i mBanku Hipotecznego assigned by Moody's Investors Service

On May 24, 2019, Moody's raised mBank's long-term deposit rating from "Baa1" to "A3" and changed the rating outlook from positive to stable. The upgrade of mBank's long-term deposit rating was driven by the upgrade of the Bank's individual assessment - baseline credit assessment (BCA) from "ba1" to "baa3". In the opinion of the agency it reflects the bank's continued strong performance and improving risk profile. As a consequence, adjusted BCA was upgraded from "baa3" to "baa2".

In addition, Moody's has upgraded the long-term mBank's Counterparty Risk Rating (RCR) from "A3" to "A2" and the short-term RCR from "Prime-2" to "Prime-1".

On May 27, 2019, Moody's assigned "Baa2" long-term and "Prime-2" short-term issuer ratings to mBank Hipoteczny. Long-term and short-term counterparty risk ratings (CRR) were assigned at "A3" and "Prime-2" respectively. On the same day Moody's assigned rating for covered bonds issued by mBank Hipoteczny at "Aa3". It is the highest rating possible to obtain for financial instruments issued from Poland (local and foreign currency bond ceilings for Poland). The "Aa3" rating (equivalent to an "AA-" rating on the scale used by Fitch and S&P) is two notches higher than Poland's sovereign rating.

On September 27, 2019, Moody's affirmed mBank's long-term deposit rating at "A3" and changed its outlook to negative from stable. The bank's short-term deposit rating was affirmed at "Prime-2". Other ratings, including Baseline Credit Assessment, remained unchanged. Following the announcement of the new strategy of Commerzbank, Moody's has lowered the probability of parental support to mBank from high to moderate. However, this did not affect mBank's long-term rating, which includes a one notch uplift resulting from potential parental support. The negative outlook on the long-term deposit rating reflects the downward pressure that could develop on this rating in case mBank is finally sold, provided that the acquirer has a weaker credit profile than the current parent company and/or the rating agency views the probability of such acquirer providing support as low. In addition, on September 27, 2019, Moody's affirmed the "Baa2 /Prime-2" ratings for mBank Hipoteczny adjusting its long-term rating outlook from stable to negative.



Moody's Investors Service	Ratings of mBank*	Ratings of mBank Hipoteczny	
Long-term Deposit Rating (foreign	A3 (negative		
currency)	outlook)	-	
Short-term Deposit Rating (foreign currency)	Prime-2	-	
Long torm leguer Dating (foreign)		Baa2 (negative	
Long-term Issuer Rating (foreign)	-	outlook)	
Short-term Issuer Rating (foreign)	-	Prime-2	
Long-term Counterparty Risk Rating	A2	0.7	
(foreign currency)	HZ	A3	
Short-term Counterparty Risk Rating	Dwine e 1	Drive e 2	
foreign currency)	Prime-1	Prime-2	
Baseline Credit Assessment (BCA)	baa3	-	
Adjusted Baseline Credit Assessment	baa2	-	
Rating of covered bonds issued by		0 a 7	
mBank Hipoteczny	-	Aa3	

<sup>\*</sup> rating based solely on publicly available information

## mBank's rating by Capital Intelligence Ratings

On June 28, 2019, Capital Intelligence Ratings upgraded mBank's long-term rating from "BBB+" to "A-" and affirmed its short-term rating at "A2". The outlook of long-term rating is stable. In addition, CI Ratings assigned for mBank's standalone rating (BSR) of "bbb+" and the core financial strength (CFR) at "bbb+".

In the opinion of CI Ratings, mBank's rating reflects its strong capital base (capital ratios among the highest in the sector), and thus high loss absorption capacity, as well as a relatively low non-performing loans (NPL) ratio compared to the peer group.

Ratings of mBank*
A- (stable outlook)
A2
bbb+
bbb+

<sup>\*</sup> rating based solely on publicly available information

## mBank's rating by EuroRating

On October 9, 2019, EuroRating changed the outlook on mBank's long-term rating "BBB" from stable to negative. The agency justified this move by increasing legal risks regarding foreign currency mortgage loans, as well as Commerzbank's plan to sell mBank's shares.



## Summary of ratings for Poland, mBank and Commerzbank

The table below compares long-term ratings (foreign currency) for mBank, Commerzbank and Poland assigned by Fitch, S&P i Moody's, as at the end of 2019.

Rating agency	Poland	mBank S.A.	Commerzbank AG
Fitch Ratings	A- (stab.)	BBB- (RWP)	BBB+ (neg.)
S&P Global Ratings	A- (stab.)	BBB (dev.)	A- (neg.)
Moody's Investors	A2 (stab.)	A31 (neg.)	A1 (stab.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Long-term Deposit Rating

Rating outlook indicated in brackets: stab.-stable, neg.- negative, dev. – developing, RWP - Rating Watch Positive.





## **Key innovations in 2019**

## mElements - mBank Group's offer for the e-commerce industry

In 2019, mElements continued to develop API (Application Programming Interface) products for the e-commerce industry, with an emphasis on Credit APIs, and focused on launching an e-commerce payment product.

In the area of e-commerce API, where mElements provides a unique credit API solution on a European scale, the company continued to grow its customer base, establishing cooperation with one of the largest online payment entities in Poland.

In 2019, mBank launched the API platform supporting access to payment initiation services and access to account history, as required by PSD2 (Payment Service Directive 2). Its test environment is provided by mBank's so-called "sandbox", which is a special IT system designed for third-party developers, i.e. TPP (Third-Party-Provider). mBank obtained the approval of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority to act as TPP in July 2019. TPP, which is related to the financial market, will be able to use the banks' systems in the future to provide alternative services, e.g. to initiate payments or aggregate information about client transactions. The mBank's sandbox is available at https://developer.api.mbank.pl/.

The whole production, delivery and development of this platform was the responsibility of the mElements team, and after the launch, the quality and stability of the solution was appreciated by the market - according to mBank's API estimates, it is the most frequently used API on the market.

As a result of the PSD2 directive, several important innovations were also introduced in September 2019, including a change in the way of logging into the account (the so-called strong authentication), confirmation with a PIN code of selected contactless transactions (up to PLN 50), mobile authorization available in a separate application (mBank Token),



the possibility of adding a computer or tablet to trusted devices or withdrawal of the list of one-time passwords. All relevant information for our individual, corporate, SME and corporate customers in the PSD2 area is available at <a href="http://www.mbank.pl/psd2">http://www.mbank.pl/psd2</a>.

In addition to the work on API development, in 2019 the company focused its efforts on creating and launching a strategically important business area for mBank Group - payment processing in e-commerce. In September, we completed a project lasting several months to create the required technological infrastructure for a product operating under the Paynow brand. In October, after a license process lasting several months, we received permission from the Polish Financial Supervision Authority to operate as a National Paying Authority. In the second half of the year, together with mBank, the company launched "friends and family" tests of Paynow's services, which resulted in the participation of several hundred customers and the successful launch of full acquisition activities.

Moreover, in 2019 mElements also became a member of The Chamber of Electronic Economy, which associates the largest entities operating for the development of ecommerce in Poland.

The company is ending the year 2019 with a mature product portfolio, whereas the year 2020 will be marked by dynamic acquisitions and development aimed, among others, at taking advantage of the options launched under the PSD2 directive.

#### mAccelerator - mBank's way to support start-ups

mAccelerator has been the first investment fund in Central and Eastern Europe supporting the development and commercialization of new technologies. It was equipped with a budget of EUR 50 million (an equivalent of over PLN 200 million). The fund invests in start-ups which later should become partners for financial institutions from around the world. It focuses on cybersecurity, biometrics, Robotic Process Automation (RPA), artificial intelligence and digital marketing (in particular chatbots and communicators).

There are currently 6 companies in the fund's portfolio:

- Digital Fingerprints (a company offering a cyber-security solution based on passive biometrics);
- CyberRescue (a service supporting customers in terms of their network security);
- Digital Teammates (specializing in Robotic Process Automation);
- ChatForce (communication platform allowing automatic exchange of information with customers from mobile communication platforms);
- Samito (formerly SaveCart, a company offering marketing automation tools for online shops);
- HCM Deck a technological HR platform acquired in 2019, which supports HR and L&D departments in managing, automating and analyzing processes related to



employee development in larger organizations. The platform focuses on three areas, which are learning, communication and feedback.

## New features of online banking

The year 2019 brought many changes, including those in internet banking. On 28 October mBank clients could see a brand new desktop after logging in. In addition to its clear and simple design, the new view gives the opportunity to adjust the elements visible on it to the user's requirements. One of the most important changes after a thorough change of the service is undoubtedly the resignation from the "finance bar" thanks to which our clients no longer have to choose between the list of recent operations and the list of their accounts. Instead, users can see primarily such products as the basic account or a shortened version of the operation history.

We have also shortened the list of messages - all to make the most important information more visible. In the new desktop the users can decide for themselves what information they want to see immediately after logging in. This applies not only to the products they have, but also to the order of their presentation.

In 2019, we implemented a number of changes in the internet banking service, including:

- Feature Switch i.e. the innovative process of implementation of changes is carried out in stages, enabling the analysis of comments made by customers. The solution enables us to publish new parts of the internet banking service to selected customers. It also allows to selectively enable and disable new functionalities in case of critical errors:
- SCA in the internet banking service a new standard of logging in to the transaction service with the inclusion of the SCA (Strong Customer Authentication) element, which implements the provisions of the PSD2 Directive. The customer can easily manage his trusted devices registered in the service;
- **History of operations** we have made the new history of operations function available to mBank clients as the first important module of the new generation of internet banking (Internet Banking 3.0). Based on the clients' comments, we replaced two previous views of the history with one. As far as the usability of history of operations is concerned, the important elements are: history presented on one card, the balance visible after each booked operation; full range of filtering in the dedicated filter bar and the possibility to download files with lists of operations.

When implementing changes in the internet banking service, we collect ratings and information from our customers. We take into account what is important for them in internet banking, how they evaluate the current service and how they would like to use it in the future. This is our starting point in creating new solutions and facilities.



### **Mobility**

In 2019 we continued our systematic development of the mobile application. During this time, mBank provided 15 application updates, which confirms the organisation's ability to make agile changes and respond to customer expectations. The work on the application was mainly focused on improving usability and communication as well as sales activities.

Despite a number of challenges related to the PSD2 (Payment Services Directive 2), following the suggestions of our users, we introduced a number of improvements to the application, which will make the use of the application easier and more pleasant.

- New card details with an option to change the PIN a redesigned card details screen, so that the user can quickly find the most important information and perform important actions for him. Additionally, we have made it possible to change the PIN code for the card;
- Option to add new recipients to the address book when making a transfer to a
  new recipient, the user has the option to save the data to the address book so that he
  can make subsequent transfers faster;
- Refreshed appearance of mKantor, support for new currencies, currency calculator for card transactions these are a number of improvements related to travel and currency handling. The mKantor service has been enriched with new currencies. At the same time, we have rebuilt mKantor's screens to make transactions made on currencies even more intuitive. We have also introduced a currency calculator, thanks to which the client, by entering the transaction amount in the local currency, will receive the equivalent in PLN, converted at current exchange rates;
- Extension of transaction notifications with details of operations the customer can decide whether the transaction notifications he receives are to include details immediately: transaction amount, name of the recipient and sender of the transfer and name of the store (for card operations);
- Partial withdrawal of funds from a savings target we have made available to customers the possibility of partial withdrawal of funds, without the need to liquidate the target;
- Renewing transfers to ZUS and Tax Office we have extended the possibility of renewing transfers from history, for transactions to ZUS and Tax Office. The client, from the level of transaction details to ZUS or Tax Office, has the option of retransfer, which automatically fills in the transfer data based on the previous transaction;
- Refreshed BLIK screen a new, more legible version of the screen with the BLIK code, taking into account the existing comments and suggestions of customers and preparing an application to make available subsequent BLIK services (the "Ask for a transfer" service started in Q1 2020);
- **mFaktoring service** is addressed to corporate clients, giving the possibility to activate a factoring limit, register new invoices and repay debt;
- The "Your assets" screen a screen summarizing the client's finances.





1,894.7

70%

active clients

thousand application users

This is the highest rate in the Polish banking sector. On average, clients use it ca. 31 times a month. As much as 72.1% of all bank logins come from the application. Currently, we sell 43.6% of travel insurance and 12.5% of cash loans using the application. The value of unsecured loans launched using the application increased by 102.4% compared to 2018.

In March 2019, the mBank application was ranked 1st in the nationwide Mobile Trends Awards competition, in the "Banking and Finance" category. At the same time, the application was ranked 5th in the Forrester ranking: "The Forrester Banking Wave<sup>TM</sup>: European Mobile Apps".



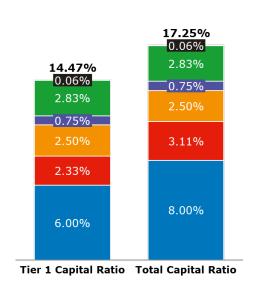
# Capital adequacy and funding at mBank Group

## Structure of own funds including Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital

The amount of capital maintained by mBank Group and mBank meets the regulatory requirements and allows for the planned business expansion at the defined risk appetite level.

This is reflected in the Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio (19.4% at the stand-alone level and 16.5% at the consolidated level at the end of 2019) and the Total Capital Ratio (22.8% at the stand-alone level and 19.5% at the consolidated level at the end of 2019), which are above the levels recommended by the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA). The factors which influenced the capital ratios of mBank Group in 2019 are described in details in chapter 4.3. Capital adequacy. Capital requirements for mBank Group decreased in November 2019, along with the decrease of individual additional Pillar 2 capital requirement for risk related to FX retail mortgage loans by PFSA (from 3.64% to 3.11% for the Total Capital Ratio and from 2.73% to 2.33% for the Tier 1 capital ratio).

Regulatory capital requirements for mBank Group as of December 31, 2019, are presented below.



- Countercyclical Capital Buffer is calculated as the weighted average of the countercyclical buffer rates that apply in the countries where the relevant credit exposures of the Group are located.
- Systemic Risk Buffer determined at 3.0% in Poland entering into force from January 1, 2018; it replaced the previous PFSA add-on; for mBank it applies only to domestic exposures.
- Other Systemically Important Institution (O-SII) Buffer imposed by an administrative decision of the PFSA, in which mBank has been identified as other systemically important institution; its level is reviewed annually.

**Conservation Capital Buffer** is equal for all banks in Poland as introduced by the Act on Macroprudential Supervision Over the Financial System and Crisis Management in the Financial System; the implementation was gradual and it was raised from 1.25% to 1.875% from January 1, 2018 and to 2.5% from January 1, 2019.



- Individual additional Pillar 2 capital requirement for risk related to FX retail mortgage loans imposed as a result of risk assessment carried out by the PFSA within the supervisory review and evaluation process ("SREP"); its level is reviewed annually.
- **CRR Regulation minimum level** based on Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of June 26, 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012.

Own funds at the consolidated level stood at PLN 16.4 billion at the end of 2019, out of which PLN 13.9 billion (84.8%) was Tier 1 capital. The main components of **Tier 1 capital** include: share capital, share premium, other reserve capital, undistributed profit from previous years, funds for general banking risk, recognized current profits and accumulated other comprehensive income. Tier 1 capital is strengthened mainly through retained earnings.

**Tier 2** capital stood at PLN 2.5 billion at the end of 2019, which represents an increase of PLN 26.2 million year on year.

The table below presents the balances of mBank Group's subordinated debt as at December 31, 2019.

Туре	Nominal value	Currency	Maturity date	Tier 2 Capital
Loan	250 M	CHF	21.03.2028	Yes
Bond	750 M	PLN	17.01.2025	Yes
Bond	550 M	PLN	10.10.2028	Yes
Bond	200 M	PLN	10.10.2030	Yes

Subordinated debt with a fixed maturity included in own funds is amortised on a daily basis for five years prior to final maturity. The current structure of the bank's capital base derives from prior decisions regarding retained earnings and additional capital increases. Between 2002 and 2011, mBank retained all of its earnings by decision of the Annual General Meeting, while the 2012 dividend made up 35% of mBank's net profit followed by a 67% dividend payment in 2013. The profit for 2014, 2015 and 2016 was included in whole in the bank's own funds. In April 2018 General Meeting of Shareholders decided on dividend payout of PLN 217.9 million, i.e. 20% of net profit generated in 2017. The undistributed profit from previous years in value of PLN 1.2 billion was transferred to the supplementary capital of the bank. In March 2019 the Annual General Meeting decided not to pay out the dividend from the 2018 net profit. The amount of PLN 248.2 million was allocated to the losses from previous years and the amount of PLN 1,069.3 million was left undivided. More information on capital adequacy are presented in Note 45 of the mBank S.A. Group IFRS Consolidated Financial Statements 2019. Detailed information concerning dividend policy are presented below.



## **Dividend**

The ability to pay out dividends is provided for in the "mobile Bank" strategy of mBank Group for 2016-2020 and remained in the strategy for 2020-2023. However, in its decision recommending the dividend payment to the Supervisory Board, the Management Board of mBank mainly considers current recommendations of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority concerning dividend payments by banks. In March 2019 PFSA issued its standpoint concerning dividend policy of commercial banks in mid-term horizon. Its assumptions were maintained in the PFSA's standpoint from January 2019 referring to dividend policy in 2019. This guidance remains consistent with the PFSA's recommendation regarding dividend payout for 2018. According to the mentioned recommendations, a dividend could be paid only by banks meeting the criteria below (both on stand-alone and consolidated level):

- the bank is not subject to a restructuring programme;
- the bank performed well in the Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process final SREP score not worse than 2.5 (master scale score 1 or 2);
- with financial leverage (LR) level higher than 5%;
- with Tier 1 capital ratio not lower than the minimum value set for this ratio increased by 1.5%: 6% + 75%\*add-on + the combined buffer requirement + 1.5%;
- with Total Capital Ratio not lower than the minimum set for this value increased by 1.5%: 8% + add-on + the combined buffer requirement + 1.5%.

It is recommended that banks which meet all the above criteria can pay out up to 75% of the profit generated in a year preceding the decision.

Moreover, it is recommended to pay out dividend up to 100% of the profit generated in a year preceding the decision by banks meeting all of the above criteria, taking into account, within capital criteria, the bank's sensitivity to an unfavourable macroeconomic scenario (measured by stress tests For banks with exposure to FX housing loans for households (which have more than 5% of FX mortgage loans for households in their portfolio of receivables from non-financial sector) the dividend rate should be adjusted based on following criteria:

Criterion 1 – based on the share of FX housing loans for households in the whole portfolio of receivables from the non-financial sector:

- banks with the share exceeding 10% dividend rate adjustment by 20 p.p.;
- banks with the share exceeding 20% dividend rate adjustment by 30 p.p.;
- banks with the share exceeding 30% dividend rate adjustment by 50 p.p.;

Criterion 2 – based on the share of FX housing loans granted in 2007 and 2008 in the portfolio of FX housing loans for households:

banks with the share exceeding 20% – dividend rate adjustment by 30 p.p.;



banks with the share exceeding 50% - dividend rate adjustment by 50 p.p.

Whenever a bank with undistributed profit from previous years intends to pay out dividend, it is obliged to report this plan to the Polish Financial Supervision Authority which will assess it on an individual basis. Only banks which meet the criteria for paying out dividends may apply for such consent.

# Minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL)

In accordance with the BRRD and the Act on the Bank Guarantee Fund, the Deposit Guarantee Scheme and Resolution (the "BFG Act"), banks will be obliged to meet the minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL), which is equivalent to the total loss absorption capacity (TLAC) requirement imposed on global systemically important institutions. Both requirements address the need to ensure an adequate level of eligible liabilities (liabilities that can be converted to equity or written down) at times of financial difficulties, and consequently, facilitate resolution without the need to use public funds.

In July 2017 the Bank Guarantee Fund (BFG) published a methodology for calculating MREL on its website, which was subsequently updated in November 2018. Banks were ordered to comply with the MREL targets set by the resolution authority by January 1, 2023.

Bank-specific MREL targets were communicated to individual banks in the process of developing their resolution plans; the targets varied depending, among others, on the resolution strategy adopted for a given bank. MREL targets present the contribution to loss absorption and recapitalisation as a percentage of total liabilities and own funds. According to information from BFG dated February 5, 2020 the consolidated MREL target to be met by mBank by the end of 2022 is 14.54% of total liabilities including own funds (TLOF), which accounts for 27.515% of the total risk exposure amount (TREA). The requirement has been set taking into account the resolution strategy for Commerzbank AG Group basing on multiple point of entry (MPE) approach. At the same time, mBank was informed how it should progress towards meeting the target. MREL targets to be met at the end of 2019, 2020 and 2021 were set as a percentage of TLOF (9.248%, 11.012% and 12.776%, respectively) and TREA (17.500%, 20.838% and 24.177%, respectively).

In accordance with the BFG Act, MREL-eligible liabilities include instruments which have been issued and fully paid up, are not secured or guaranteed and held by the institution itself, and have a maturity of at least one year.

Furthermore, BFG expects that MREL targets will be complied with using only own funds and subordinated liabilities which in accordance with Bankruptcy Law rank below class five liabilities in the insolvency hierarchy. It is worth noting that the Act of January 17, 2019 Amending the BFG Act introduced a new class of debt (class six), i.e. non-preferred senior debt, to Polish legal framework (Bankruptcy Law), thereby broadening the catalogue of MREL-eligible instruments. In addition, BFG expects these instruments to be



available only to professional investors at a minimum nominal value of PLN 400,000 per instrument.

In the case of commitments entered into to meet the consolidated MREL target in the part where it exceeds the individual MREL target, BFG requires only that the instruments should be made available to professional investors.

The BFG methodology is likely to evolve further, among others, due to the implementation of amendments to prudential regulations for banks and investment firms published in June 2019 (CRD V/CRR II) and the resolution framework (BRRD II/SRMR).

## mBank Group funding

The "One Bank" Strategy for 2012-2016 provided for optimisation of the Bank's balance sheet in terms of its profitability and structure by increasing the share of client deposits in funding, further diversification of the funding base, and a bigger share of high-yield assets. The "mobile Bank" Strategy, implemented in mid-2016, provided for the strengthening of the funding profile due to the increasing volume of covered bonds and transaction deposits and maintaining the loan-to-deposit ratio on the level of at most slightly above 100% every year (90.3% at the end of 2019). It was reflected in the changes of the structure of mBank Group's funding in previous years.

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## Changes in mBank Group's funding structure

The new strategy of mBank Group for 2020-2023 provides for the growth of the share of total client deposits as well as further deployment of the wholesale financing sources for lending, especially via issuances of Eurobonds within EMTN programme and covered bonds by mBank Hipoteczny. We intend to keep the loan to deposit ratio in the range of 92-94%.

#### **Bond issued under the EMTN Programme**



After the successful first eurobond issue in October 2012 and issue of CHF bonds in October 2013, mBank Group completed further issues under the EUR 3 billion EMTN Programme in 2014. In 2015, there were no issues under the EMTN Programme, whereas on October 12, 2015, bonds worth EUR 500 million were repaid. On September 21, 2016, mBank, through its foreign subsidiary mFinance France, completed the issue of bonds with a nominal value of EUR 500 million, maturing in 2020. In 2017, there was one issue under the EMTN Programme. On March 28, 2017, mFinance France issued 6-year bonds with a nominal value of CHF 200 million and 1.005% coupon.

In 2018 two issuances under the programme took place. On June 7, 2018, mBank issued unsecured bonds at nominal value of CHF 180 million, with 0.565% coupon and four-year maturity. On September 5, 2018, an issue of EUR 500 million, 1.058% coupon and four-year maturity was completed. Two EMTN tranches were repaid in 2018, CHF 200 million in October and CZK 500 million (a private placement) in December.

On April 1, 2019, the tranche on the amount of EUR 500 million was redeemed. Only several days later, on April 5, 2019 mBank issued 5.5-year unsecured bonds in the amount of CHF 125 million with the coupon of 1.0183%. Bonds are subject to the English law and are traded on the Swiss stock exchange SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd.

The following table presents a summary of outstanding tranches:

Issuer	Issue date	Nominal value	Maturity date	Coupon
mFinance France	26.11.2014	EUR 500 M	26.11.2021	2.000%
mFinance France	26.09.2016	EUR 500 M	26.09.2020	1.398%
mFinance France	28.03.2017	CHF 200 M	28.03.2023	1.005%
mBank	07.06.2018	CHF 180 M	07.06.2022	0.565%
mBank	05.09.2018	EUR 500 M	05.09.2022	1.058%
mBank	05.04.2019	CHF 125 M	04.10.2024	1.0183%

mBank continues its efforts aimed to diversify the sources of funding and to ensure stable refinancing on attractive terms.

#### Activity on the covered bond market

mBank Hipoteczny (mBH) is a mortgage bank with the longest track record of issuing covered bonds on the Polish capital market. As of December 31, 2019, the value of issued mortgage covered bonds amounted to PLN 8.2 billion.

Covered bond issues conducted by mBank Hipoteczny constitute an important part of mBank Group's funding strategy.



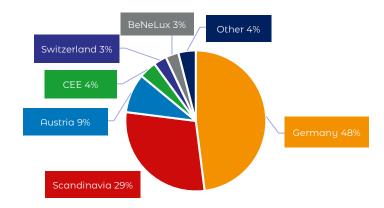
In 2019, mBank Hipoteczny placed two issues of mortgage covered bonds in the total nominal amount of PLN 1.4 billion. A summary of mBH activity on the public market in 2019 is presented in the following table.

Volume	Currency	Issue date	Maturity	Tenor (in years)	Coupon	Place of quotation
100 mln	PLN	22.02.2019	20.12.2028	9 years 10 months	WIBOR3M +80 bps	WSE Secondary Market and Bondspot
300 mln	EUR	12.11.2019	15.09.2025	5 years 10 months	0.242% (MS+43 bps)	Luxembourg Stock Exchange

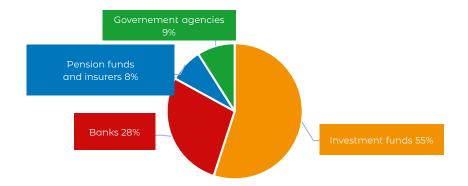
PLN 100 million issue was performed under the Domestic Covered Bonds Issuance Programme accepted by the PFSA in 2016. Book building was run by mBank, 8 investors declared their will do purchase covered bonds, including asset management firms, banks, insurers and pension funds. It is currently the covered bonds issuance quoted at the WSE with the longest maturity.

EUR 300 million issue was another benchmark covered bonds issuance on the international market performed under the International Covered Bonds Issue Programme. The final pricing reached 43 basis points over MS (Mid-Swap) and coupon was set at 0.242%. From the mBank Group's perspective, it is the most favourably placed debt issuance on the international market in the history.

In total 74 investors declared their will do purchase covered bonds for a joined value of over EUR 1 billion (3.4 times the placed amount). After the allocation, the structure of the transaction by the geographical and institutional distribution was the following:







Covered bonds issued by mBank Hipoteczny are characterised by low investment risk, which is a result of the statutory obligation to apply complex security mechanisms while issuing and trading in such instruments.

On May 27, 2019, Moody's Investors Service assigned a rating Aa3 to the covered bonds issued by mBank Hipoteczny. It is the highest possible to achieve rating for the financial instruments issued in Poland (local and foreign currency bond ceilings for Poland). It is higher by 2 notches than the rating of Poland and by 5 notches than the long-term issuer rating, assigned by the agency at Baa2. On November 12, 2019, the rating of EUR covered bonds was affirmed at Aa3.

Moody's Investors Service assigned also the short-term issuer rating for mBank Hipoteczny at Prime-2. At the same time, the agency assigned the Counterparty Risk Assessment (long-term and short-term) at the level of A3 (cr) and Prime-2 (cr), respectively, and Counterparty Risk Rating (long-term and short-term) at the level of A3 (cr) and Prime-2 (cr), respectively. The outlook of long-term ratings is stable.



# **Financial results**

## Summary of financial performance of mBank Group

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Interest income	4,518.2	5,071.7	553.5	12.2%
Interest expense	-1,021.7	-1,068,9	-47.2	4.6%
Net interest income	3,496.5	4,002.8	506.3	14.5%
Fee and commission income	1,630.3	1,704.6	74.3	4.6%
Fee and commission expense	-654.5	-740.0	-85.5	13.1%
Net fee and commission income	975.9	964.6	-11.2	-1.2%
Core income	4,472.3	4,967.4	495.1	11.1%
Dividend income	3.6	4.2	0.7	18.6%
Net trading income	347.3	440.5	93.2	26.8%
Other income	21.3	185.5	164.2	770.8%
Other operating income	405.0	234.5	-170.5	-42.1%
Other operating expenses	-170.0	-307.7	-137.7	81.0%
Total income	5,079.5	5,524.4	444.9	8.8%
Net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances	-694.4	-793.8	-99.4	14.3%
Result on provisions for legal risk related to foreign currency loans	-20.3	-387.8	-367.4	1805.7%
Overhead costs and depreciation	-2,163.9	-2,329.2	-165.2	7.6%
Taxes on bank balance sheet items	-415.4	-458.7	-43.2	10.4%
Share in profits of entities under equity method	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Profit before income tax	1,786.6	1,555.0	-231.6	-13.0%
Income tax expense	-483.9	-544.8	-60.8	12.6%
Net profit:	1,302.7	1,010.3	-292.5	-22.4%
- attributable to Owners of mBank S.A.	1 302.8	1 010.4	-292.4	-22.4%
- Non-controlling interests	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	19.5%
ROA net	0.8%	0.7%		
ROE gross	11.6%	10.2%		
ROE net	8.3%	6.7%		
Cost / Income ratio	42.6%	42.2%		
Net interest margin	2.6%	2.7%		
Common Equity Tier 1 ratio	17.5%	16.5%		
Total capital ratio	20.7%	19.5%		
Leverage ratio	8.6%	8.3%		
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**Other income** – calculated as gains less losses from financial assets and liabilities not measured at fair value through profit or loss and investments in subsidiaries and associates and gains or losses from non-trading financial assets (including equity instruments and debt securities) mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss (except for loans and advances).

**Total income** – calculated as the sum of net interest income, net fee and commission income, dividend income, net trading income, other income, other operating income and other operating expenses.

Overhead costs and depreciation - calculated as the sum of total overhead costs and depreciation.

**Net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances** – calculated as the sum of impairment or reversal of impairment on financial assets not measured at fair value through profit or loss and gains or losses from non-trading loans and advances mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss.

**Net ROA** – calculated by dividing net profit attributable to the owners of mBank by the average total assets. The average total assets are calculated on the basis of the balances as at the end of each month. Net profit attributable to the owners of mBank is annualised based on the number of days in the analysed period (the annualisation ratio is calculated as the quotient of the number of days in a year and the number of days in the analysed period).

**Gross ROE** – calculated by dividing profit before income tax by the average equity (net of the year's results). The average equity is calculated on the basis of the balances as at the end of each month. Profit before income tax is annualised based on the number of days in the analysed period (the annualisation ratio is calculated as the quotient of the number of days in a year and the number of days in the analysed period).

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**Cost/Income ratio** – calculated by dividing overhead costs and depreciation by total income (excluding tax on balance sheet items of the Group).

**Net interest margin** – calculated by dividing net interest income by average interest earning assets. Interest earning assets are the sum of cash and balances with the Central Bank, loans and advances to banks, debt securities (in all valuation methods) and loans and advances to clients (net; in all valuation methods). The average interest earning assets are calculated on the basis of the balances as at the end of each month. Net interest income is annualised based on the number of days in the analysed period (the annualisation ratio is calculated as the quotient of the number of days in a year and the number of days in the analysed period).

The main drivers of the financial results of mBank Group in 2019 included:

- Increase in total income, which stood at PLN 5,524.4 million. Net interest income remained its main growth driver. It reached PLN 4,002.8 million and was 14.5% higher than a year ago. This high dynamics was accompanied by further improvement of net interest margin, supported by the changing asset mix and a slight reduction of funding costs. The rise in core income achieved in 2019 twice surpassed the profit from the sale of an organised part of the enterprise of mFinanse recorded in 2018;
- Increase in operating expenses (including depreciation) to PLN 2,329.2 million. In particular, contributions and transfers to the Bank Guarantee Fund and staff-related expenses grew in 2019;
- Improved efficiency measured by the Cost/Income ratio, which stood at 42.2% in 2019
   v. 44.5% in 2018 (net of the impact of one-off events);



- Stable cost of risk at 79 bps, compared with 78 bps in 2018;
- Continued organic growth and business expansion as demonstrated by:
  - Increase in the number of corporate clients to 26,476 (+2,770 clients compared with the end of December 2018);
  - dynamic growth in the sales of housing loans (PLN 8,176.4 million in 2019, i.e. +77% compared with 2018) and growing sales of non-mortgage loans (PLN 10,260.0 million in 2019, i.e. +14.9% compared with 2018).

At the same time, the number of retail clients dropped to 5,603,900, mainly due to the accounts of inactive Kompakt Finanse clients being closed in 2019.

Net loans and advances increased by PLN 10,581.7 million or 11.2% compared with the end of 2018 and reached PLN 105,347.5 million. At the same time, amounts due to clients grew by PLN 14,652.1 million, i.e. 14.4% year on year reaching PLN 116,661.1 million at the end of 2019. Consequently, the loan-to-deposit ratio decreased to 90.3% from 92.9% a year earlier.

The changes in the Group's results translated into the following profitability ratios:

- Gross ROE of 10.2% (12.9% in 2018);
- Net ROE of 6.6% (9.4% in 2018).

Capital ratios of mBank Group went down in 2019. At the end of 2019, the consolidated Total Capital Ratio stood at 19.5% compared with 20.7% in the previous year. The Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio reached 16.5% v. 17.5% at the end of 2018. The leverage ratio stood at 8.3% at the end of December 2019, compared with 8.6% a year before.

### **Income of mBank Group**

Total income generated by mBank Group was PLN 5,524.4 million in 2019, compared with PLN 5,079.5 million in 2018, which represents an increase by PLN 444.9 million or 8.8%. Despite the profit from selling an organised part of enterprise of mFinanse in the amount of PLN 219.7 million, which was posted in 2018, the 2019 increase in income significantly exceeded this amount. The increase was mainly driven by improved net interest income, net trading income, and other income.

Similarly to 2018, net interest income remained mBank Group's largest income source in 2019 (72.5%). It reached PLN 4,002.8 million, compared with PLN 3,496.5 million in 2018 (+14.5%). High net interest income was mainly driven by an increase in interest income.

Net interest margin, calculated as a relation between net interest income and average interest earning assets, stood at 2.7% compared with 2.6% in 2018.

Interest income grew by PLN 553.5 million or 12.5% year on year to PLN 5,071.7 million. With a share of 78.0%, loans and advances were the main source of the Group's interest income. Interest income from loans and advances increased by PLN 565.0 million or 16.7% on the previous year to PLN 3,953.9 million. The growth resulted mainly from an



expanding volume of loans and a change in the structure of the loans portfolio, i.e. rising share of higher-margin products with a simultaneous decrease in the share of mortgage loans in foreign currencies characterised by lower margin. In 2019, interest income from investment securities increased marginally (+PLN 12.9 million or +1.9%) and so did the value of the portfolio. Interest income from debt securities held for trading went down by PLN 23.8 million, i.e. 32.9%. This resulted from lower average value of the portfolio in 2019 compared with the previous year.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Loans and advances including the unwind of the impairment provision discount	3,388.9	3,953.9	565.0	16.7%
Investment securities	692.1	705.0	12.9	1.9%
Cash and short-term placements	55.7	56.2	0.5	0.9%
Trading debt securities	72.4	48.6	-23.8	-32.9%
Interest income on derivatives classified into banking book	180.4	181.8	1.4	0.8%
Interest income on derivatives concluded under the fair value hedge	84.4	75.1	-9.3	-11.0%
Interest income on derivatives concluded under the cash flow hedge	40.4	50.5	10.1	25.1%
Other	3.9	0.5	-3.4	-86.9%
Total interest income	4,518.2	5,071.7	553.5	12.2%

**Interest income from loans and advances** include interest income from loans and advances on the following items: assets held for trading, non-trading financial assets measured mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss and financial assets measured at amortised cost.

**Interest income from investment securities** include interest income on the following items: non-trading financial assets measured mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss, including debt securities, financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income and financial assets measured at amortised cost, including debt securities.

In the period under review, interest expenses rose by 4.6%, which was mainly attributable to higher deposit costs (up by PLN 84.9 million or 14.7%). In 2019, we continued to observe a substantial inflow of deposits, especially those of individual clients. Interest expenses related to loans received decreased by PLN 15.6 million or 53.4% mainly due to a drop in the balance of received loans and advances (repayment of mBank's loans granted by ICBC and EIB). Costs of issued debt securities went down by PLN 24.6 million or 7.7% due to a decrease in the value of liabilities from the issue of debt securities (redemption of an EMTN tranche in the amount of EUR 500 million in April 2019 and of two tranches of covered bonds).



Net fee and commission income, accounting for 17.5% of mBank Group's total income, dropped slightly year on year. In the period under review, it stood at PLN 964.6 million, which represents a decrease by PLN 11.2 million or 1.2%. The primary reason was an increase in costs.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Payment cards-related fees	390.0	435.9	45.9	11.8%
Credit-related fees and commissions	370.6	417.9	47.3	12.8%
Commissions for agency service regarding sale of insurance products of external financial entities	100.6	100.4	-0.2	-0.2%
Fees from brokerage activity and debt securities issue	104.5	87.0	-17.5	-16.7%
Commissions from bank accounts	207.9	210.9	3.0	1.4%
Commissions from money transfers	133.3	145.8	12.5	9.4%
Commissions due to guarantees granted and trade finance commissions	84.7	93.0	8.3	9.8%
Commissions for agency service regarding sale of products of external financial entities	103.2	82.2	-21.0	-20.4%
Commissions on trust and fiduciary activities	26.5	28.0	1.5	5.9%
Fees from portfolio management services and other management-related fees	11.6	14.2	2.6	22.1%
Fees from cash services	54.8	48.6	-6.2	-11.3%
Other	42.7	40.8	-1.9	-4.5%
Total fee and commission income	1,630.3	1,704.6	74.3	4.6%

Fee and commission income increased in 2019 (by PLN 74.3 million or 4.6% year on year). The largest growth was observed in the credit-related fees and commissions (up by PLN 47.3 million or +12.8%) due to a higher volume of loans sold. Payment card-related fees rose by PLN 45.9 million or 11.8% compared to the previous year. The growth was stimulated by a higher number of clients and issued payment cards as well as by the number and volume of transactions (value of non-cash transactions grew by 22.0% year on year and the number of transactions rose by 23.4%). The development of transactional banking translated into an increase in commissions from money transfers (+9.4%). A 20.4% decrease (by PLN 21.0 million) was reported in commissions for agency services regarding the sale of products of external financial entities due to a limited interest of customers in the investment fund market and regulatory changes in this respect. Fees from brokerage activity and debt securities issue decreased by PLN 17.5 million or 16.7%, which was connected with the unfavourable situation on the capital market and a substantial drop in turnover on the Warsaw Stock Exchange.

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Commission expenses rose by PLN 85.5 million (13.1%) in the period under review. The highest growth was recorded in other fees and commissions paid to external entities for the sale of the bank's products (+PLN 49.1 million or 34.7%). Payment card-related expenses grew by PLN 17.6 million or 12.9% year on year.

Dividend income amounted to PLN 4.2 million in 2019, compared with PLN 3.6 million in 2018.

Net trading income stood at PLN 440.5 million in 2019 and was higher by PLN 93.2 million or 26.8% compared with 2018. The growth was driven mainly by a higher foreign exchange result (+PLN 58.1 million or 18.0%). Gains or losses on financial assets held for trading rose by PLN 20.2 million or 66.1% and gains or losses from hedge accounting went up by PLN 14.9 million.

Other income, including gains less losses from financial assets and liabilities not measured at fair value through profit or loss and investments in subsidiaries and associates and gains or losses from non-trading equity instruments and debt securities mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss, grew by PLN 164.2 million in 2019. This resulted from the revaluation of shares of Visa Inc. and other companies (among others, Polski Standard Płatności Sp. z o.o., Biuro Informacji Kredytowej S.A.)

Net other operating income (net other operating income/expense) amounted to PLN - 73.2 million in 2019 v. PLN 235.0 million in 2018. The negative figure was due to the creation of provisions for future commitments, including potential costs related to settlements with clients who made early repayments of consumer loans and the provision connected with early termination of lease agreements pertaining to two buildings in Warsaw in connection with the planned relocation. In 2018, we generated a profit from selling an organised part of enterprise of mFinanse in the amount of PLN 219.7 million.

#### Result on provisions for legal risk related to foreign currency loans

In 2019, provisions for legal risk related to foreign currency loans grew by PLN 367.4 million compared to 2018. This was a consequence of the application of a new methodology of calculating provisions for legal risk related to individual court cases pertaining to indexation clauses in mortgage and housing loans in CHF. The methodology is described in detail in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements of mBank S.A. Group for 2019.



## **Costs of mBank Group**

In 2019, the total overhead costs (including depreciation) of mBank Group stood at PLN 2,329.9 million, which represents a 7.6% increase on the previous year. The increase was mainly due to higher contributions to the Bank Guarantee Fund and higher staff-related expenses.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Staff-related expenses	-952.3	-1,019.3	-67.0	7.0%
Material costs	-744.9	-639.1	105.8	-14.2%
Taxes and fees	-26.0	-31.2	-5.3	20.2%
Contributions and transfers to the Bank Guarantee Fund	-180.4	-255.7	-75.3	41.7%
Contributions to the Social Benefits Fund	-7.7	-8.3	-0.5	7.0%
Depreciation	-252.6	-375.5	-122.9	48.7%
Total overhead costs and depreciation	-2,163.9	-2,329.2	-165.2	<b>7.6</b> %
Cost / Income ratio	42.6%	42.2%	-	-
Employment (FTE)	6,524	6,771	247	3.8%

In 2019 staff-related expenses increased by PLN 67.0 million or 7.0%. They were pushed up by higher remuneration costs, especially the costs connected with selling of the bank's products and hiring new staff in mBank Group.

Material costs dropped by PLN 105.8 million or 14.2% in the period under review, in particular, as a result of implementation of IFRS 16, which replaced some real property administration and maintenance costs (rents) with depreciation and interest expenses. Depreciation rose by PLN 122.9 million compared to 2018.

Another important factor that impacted the cost base in 2019 was contribution and transfers to the Bank Guarantee Fund. In 2019 it was higher by PLN 75.3 million, i.e. 41.7% compared to the previous year. The contribution to the Resolution Fund amounted PLN 197.3 million in 2019, while in 2018 it stood at PLN 97.1 million.

Development of income and expenses resulted in an improvement of the Cost/Income ratio, which stood at 42.2% (42.6% in 2018). Taking into account recurrent income, the ratio improved even more significantly, as in 2018 it stood at 44.5%.

## Impairment on and change in the fair value of loans and advances

In 2019, net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances of mBank Group (calculated as the sum of two items: impairment or reversal of impairment on financial assets not measured at fair value through profit or loss and gains or losses from non-trading loans and advances mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or



loss) stood at -PLN 793.8 million. Compared to 2018, impairment on and change in the fair value of loans and advances increased by PLN 99.4 million or 14.3%. Impairment or reversal of impairment on financial assets not measured at fair value through profit or loss is related to the part of the portfolio of loans and advances measured at amortised cost, while gains or losses from non-trading loans and advances mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss is related to the credit risk of the portfolio of loans and advances measured with the use of that method.

As a result, the cost of risk in 2019 stood at 79 bps, compared with 78 bps in 2018.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Retail Banking	-456.1	-510.3	-54.2	11.9%
Corporates and Financial Markets	-237.9	-281.3	-43.4	18.3%
Other	-0.4	-2.1	-1.7	398.4%
Net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances	-694.4	-793.8	-99.4	14.3%

Cost of risk in Retail Banking was pushed up by higher volume and changes in the structure of the retail credit portfolio with a growing value of non-mortgage loans (unsecured loans).

Cost of risk in Corporate Banking and Financial Markets increased due to higher provisions created on corporate exposures from various sectors.

## Contribution of business lines and segments to the financial results

A summary of financial results of individual business lines of mBank Group is presented in the table below.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %	% share in gross profit
Retail Banking	1,183.3	804.2	-379.1	-32.0%	51.7%
Corporates and Investment Banking	545.7	629.1	83.4	15.3%	40.5%
Financial Markets	83.4	151.8	68.4	82.0%	9.8%
Other	-25.8	-30.1	-4.3	16.6%	-1.9%
Profit before tax of mBank Group	1,786.6	1,555.0	-231.6	-13.0%	100.0%



# Changes in the consolidated statement of financial position of mBank Group

## Changes in the assets of mBank Group

The assets of mBank Group increased by PLN 12,940.0 million, i.e. 8.9% in 2019. Total assets stood at PLN 158,720.6 million as at December 31, 2019.

The table below presents changes in particular items of mBank Group assets.

PLN M	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Cash and balances with Central Bank	9,199.3	7,897.0	-1,302.3	-14.2%
Loans and advances to banks	2,546.3	4,341.8	1,795.4	70.5%
Financial assets held for trading and derivatives held for hedges	2,091.6	2,693.3	601.8	28.8%
Net loans and advances to customers	94,765.8	105,347.5	10,581.7	11.2%
Investment securities	33,469.7	34,305.2	835.5	2.5%
Intangible assets	776.2	955.4	179.3	23.1%
Tangible assets	785.0	1,262.4	477.4	60.8%
Other assets	2,146.7	1,918.0	-228.7	-10.7%
Total assets of mBank Group	145,780.6	158,720.6	12,940.0	8.9%

**Loans and advances to customers** – the sum of loans and advances to customers recognised in: financial assets measured at amortised cost, non-trading financial assets mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss and financial assets held for trading

**Investment securities** - the sum of debt securities included in financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, debt securities included in assets measured at amortised cost and non-trading equity and debt securities mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss.

Loans and advances to customers remained the largest asset category of mBank Group at the end of 2019. As at December 31, 2019, they accounted for 66.4% of the total balance sheet compared with 65.0% at the end of 2018. The net volume of loans and advances to customers increased by PLN 10,581.7 million, i.e. 11.2%, year on year.



PLN M	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Loans and advances to individuals	52,925.4	60,360.7	7,435.3	14.0%
Loans and advances to corporate entities	44,233.1	47,785.7	3,552.6	8.0%
Loans and advances to public sector	649.8	391.4	-258.4	-39.8%
Total (gross) loans and advances to customers	97,808.3	108,537.8	10,729.5	11.0%
Provisions for loans and advances to customers	-3,042.5	-3,190.3	-147.7	4.9%
Total (net) loans and advances to customers	94,765.8	105,347.5	10,581.7	11.2%

Gross loans and advances to retail customers increased by PLN 7,435.3 million, i.e. 14.0% annually. Net of the FX effect, loans and advances to individuals grew by 13.4% in 2019. The sales of mortgage loans grew by 77.0% (in 2019 it stood at PLN 8,176.4 million against PLN 4,618.3 million in the previous year). In addition, in 2019, mBank Group sold PLN 10,260.0 million worth of non-mortgage loans, which represents an upturn by 14.9% year on year.

The volume of gross loans and advances to corporate clients increased by PLN 3,552.6 million, i.e. 8.0%, compared with the end of 2018. Excluding reverse repo/buy sell back transactions and the FX effect, the value of loans and advances to corporate clients increased by 11.2% against the end of 2018.

The volume of gross loans and advances to the public sector decreased by PLN 258.4 million or 39.8% in 2019.

Investment securities constituted mBank Group's second largest asset category (21.6%). During 2019, their value grew by PLN 835.5 million, i.e. by 2.5%. The portfolio of treasury and municipal bonds shrank by PLN 1,480.2 million or 5.1%, while the portfolio of debt securities issued by the central bank increased by PLN 2,629.7 million, i.e. more than four times.

The balance of financial assets held for trading and derivatives held for hedges grew in 2019 by PLN 601.8 million, i.e. 28.8% driven mainly by the increased portfolio of treasury and municipal bonds.



## Changes in liabilities and equity of mBank Group

The table below presents changes in the equity and liabilities of the Group in 2019:

		in PLN M	Change in %
3,108.8	1,166.9	-1,942.0	-62.5%
981.1	948.8	-32.4	-3.3%
102,009.1	116,661.1	14,652.1	14.4%
18,049.6	17,435.1	-614.4	-3.4%
2,474.2	2,500.2	26.1	1.1%
3,986.6	3,855.1	-131.5	-3.3%
130,609.4	142,567.3	11,957.9	9.2%
15,171.2	16,153.3	982.1	6.5%
145,780.6	158,720.6	12,940.0	8.9%
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Amounts due to customers are the main source of funding of mBank Group. Their share in the Group's funding structure has been increasing systematically. They accounted for 73.5% of the Group's equity and liabilities at the end of 2019, compared with 70.0% at the end of 2018.

PLN M	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Individual customers	65,923.6	77,664.4	11,740.8	17.8%
Corporate customers	35,346.3	38,137.9	2,791.6	7.9%
Public sector customers	739.2	858.9	119.7	16.2%
Total amounts due to customers	102,009.1	116,661.1	14,652.1	14.4%

Amounts due to customers were growing rapidly in 2019 to reach PLN 116,661.1 million at the end of the year, compared with PLN 102.009.1 million at the end of 2018 (+14.4%). From the perspective of funding cost, in 2019 we observed a continuation of a positive trend reflected in higher dynamics of inflows to current accounts than to term deposits.

Amounts due to retail customers rose by PLN 11,740.8 million, i.e. 17.8% compared with the end of 2018. Current and saving accounts increased by 20.3%, while term deposits went up by 8.6%.

Amounts due to corporate clients increased by PLN 2,791.6 million or 7.9% in 2019, driven mainly by higher volumes on current accounts (+14.9%). Term deposits of corporate clients increased by 1.1% in 2019. The total growth of corporate deposits was partly offset by a drop in the value of repo transactions (-75.4%) and in the amount of loans and advances received (-13.8%), triggered largely by a partial repayment of loans from the



European Investment Bank. Excluding repo transactions, amounts due to corporate clients rose by 9.6% compared with the end of 2018.

Amounts due to other banks slid by PLN 1,942.0 million, i.e. by 62.5% compared with the end of 2018 and at the end of 2019 reached 1,166.9 million. The strongest decline was recorded in repo / sell buy back transactions, whose value decreased by 87.5% compared to the end of 2018. A decrease was also reported in loans and advances received (by 74.6%) and funds from other banks placed on accounts with mBank.

The share of debt securities in issue in mBank Group's funding structure decreased from 12.4% at the end of 2018 to 11.0% at the end of 2019. This change is attributable mainly to the issuances and redemption of bonds under the EMTN programme and covered bonds of mBank Hipoteczny.

In 2019, subordinated liabilities grew by 1.1% year on year, which was caused by the impact of the PLN depreciation (vis-a-vis the Swiss franc) on the PLN equivalent of the subordinated loan with a nominal value of CHF 250 million.

Total equity went up by PLN 982.1 million (+6.5%) in 2019 as a consequence of an increase in retained earnings, while its share in total equity and liabilities of mBank Group amounted to 10.2% at the end of 2019 (compared with 10.4% as at the end of 2018).

# Changes in off-balance sheet items, changes in guarantees granted to mBank Group subsidiaries and other agreements

More information on significant off-balance sheet items of mBank Group can be found in Note 33 of the mBank S.A. Group IFRS Consolidated Financial Statements for 2019.

The funds raised by mFinance France S.A. (mFF) from the eurobond issues under the EMTN programme have been deposited with mBank as a result of the guarantees granted by the bank related to the guarantee payment of all amounts to be settled in respect of debt securities issued under the EMTN Programme. In 2019, the value of the guarantee dropped as a result of redemption of the tranche in the nominal value of CHF 500 million redeemed on April 1, 2019.

As at December 31, 2019 mBank S.A. did not have any agreements referred to in Article 141t.1 of the Banking Law Act.



# **Business segments**



## **Retail Banking**

mBank's Retail Banking segment serves 5,604 thousand individual clients and microenterprises in Poland, the Czech Republic and Slovakia online, directly through the call centre, via mobile banking and other state-of-the-art technological solutions, as well as in a wide network of branches. The bank offers a broad range of products and services including:

- current and savings accounts,
- accounts for microenterprises,
- credit products,
- deposit products,
- payment cards,

- investment products,
- insurance products,
- brokerage services,
- leasing for microenterprises.

In 2013, the bank launched a modern, user-friendly online platform (New mBank) designed from scratch, which provides more than 200 new functionalities and solutions. Similar to our mobile application, the transactional platform is constantly improved and enjoys great popularity among our clients.

Key financial data (at the end of 2019):

**51.7%** 

PLN 804.2 M PLN 3,380.9 M

Share in pre-tax profit

**Pre-tax profit** 

**Total income** 



#### **Key business data:**

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Number of customers (thousand) <sup>1</sup>	4,663	5,052	5,342	5,685	5,604
Distribution network (pcs.) <sup>2</sup>	302	316	333	358	390
Loans to retail clients (PLN M)	46,259	48,950	48,143	52,925	60,361
Deposits of retail clients (PLN M)	46,117	53,495	55,694	65,924	77,664

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The number of retail clients in 2017 (and in 2015-2016) has been adjusted due to obligatory closing of inactive accounts and excluding micro-company representatives, without individual products.

#### **Key highlights**

- Increase of core income by 11.7% year on year.
- Sales of PLN 10.3 billion worth of non-mortgage loans, up by 14.9% year on year.
- Sales of PLN 8.2 billion worth of mortgage loans, up by 77.0% year on year.
- Increase in the number of active users of mobile application by 27.6%, up to 1,894.7 thousand.
- Increase of retail deposits by 17.8% in 2019, mainly driven by growing current accounts and savings (+20.3% year on year).
- Increase of the value of transactions carried out with mBank's payment cards by 22.0%; increase in the number of card transactions by 23.4% year on year.
- Optimization of digital processes under the "digital first" approach.
- Implementation of factoring for sole proprietors.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}$  Including 353 outlets in Poland and 37 in the Czech Republic and Slovakia.



#### **Financial results**

In 2019, the Retail Banking segment generated a profit before tax of PLN 804.2 million, which represents a decrease by PLN 379.1 million, i.e. 32.0% year on year. The foreign branches in the Czech Republic and Slovakia in 2019 generated a gross profit of PLN 78.0 million compared to PLN 39.8 million in 2018, which represents an increase by 96.0%.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Net interest income	2,310.5	2,696.8	386.3	16.7%
Net fee and commission income	538.8	486.7	-52.1	-9.7%
Net trading income	127.3	141.3	14.0	11.0%
Other income	0.0	102.8	102.8	-
Net other operating income/expense	208.7	-46.7	-255.5	-122.4%
Total income	3,185.3	3,380.9	195.6	6.1%
Net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances	-456.1	-510.3	-54.2	11.9%
Result on provisions for legal risk related to foreign currency loans	-20.3	-387.8	-367.4	1,805.7%
Overhead costs and depreciation	-1,319.7	-1,438.2	-118.6	9.0%
Taxes on Group's balance sheet items	-205.9	-240.3	-34.4	16.7%
Profit before tax of Retail Banking	1,183.3	804.2	-379.1	-32.0%

The profit before tax of Retail Banking in 2019 was driven by the following factors:

- Increase in total income by PLN 195.6 million or 6.1% year on year, to PLN 3,380.9 million despite the high comparative base of the previous year, which included one-off income from the sale of an organized part of enterprise of mFinanse in the amount of PLN 219.7 million:
  - net interest income expanded by PLN 386.3 million, i.e. 16.7%, due to rising volumes and a shift in the credit portfolio structure toward higher-margin products:
  - net fee and commission income decreased by PLN 52.1 million, i.e. 9.7%, mainly due to lower commissions for agency service regarding sale of insurance products of external financial entities in connection with the sale in 2018 of an organized part of the enterprise of mFinanse, lower commissions from brokerage activities and the distribution of investment funds in connection with external conditions, as well as higher transaction costs carried out by the Group with the participation of external entities;
- Increase in operating expenses (including depreciation) by PLN 118.6 million, i.e.
   9.0% year on year, driven mainly by the growth in staff-related expenses;



- Higher net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances by PLN 54.2 million or 11.9% due to growing retail credit portfolio and changes in its structure;
- Increase in provisions for legal risk related to foreign currency loans from -20.3 million PLN in 2018 to PLN -387.8 million in 2019 triggered by a change in the methodology for calculating provisions for legal risk regarding individual court cases regarding indexation clauses in CHF mortgage and housing loans, as a result of the observed increase in the total number of individual court cases, as well as changing jurisdiction approach in such court cases.
- Tax on the Group's balance sheet items at PLN 240.3 million, higher by PLN 34.4 million, i.e. 16.7% than in the previous year.

# Activity of Retail Banking segment in numbers (refers to mBank and mBank Hipoteczny)

thousand	31.12.2017	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	Annual chang e
Number of retail clients, including:	5,342.3	5,685.0	5,603.9	-1.4%
Poland	4,437.0	4,760.6	4,645.3	-2.4%
Foreign branches	905.3	924.3	958.6	3.7%
The Czech Republic	633.6	642.2	667.0	3.9%
Slovakia	271.8	282.1	291.5	3.3%
PLN M				
Loans to retail clients, including:	48,122.1	52,510.7	60,018.8	14.3%
Poland	43,703.1	47,801.8	54,934.9	14.9%
mortgage loans	31,294.8	33,245.5	37,480.6	12.7%
non-mortgage loans	12,408.3	14,556.3	17,454.3	19.9%
Foreign branches	4,419.0	4,708.9	5,083.8	8.0%
The Czech Republic	3,585.3	3,768.8	3,913.5	3.8%
Slovakia	833.7	940.2	1,170,3	24.5%
Deposits of retail clients, including:	55,749.8	65,852.8	77,487.7	17.7%
Poland	46,876.5	55,733.9	66,837.9	19.9%
Foreign branches	8,873.3	10,119.0	10,649.8	5.2%
The Czech Republic	6,346.0	7,163.2	7,346.4	2.6%
Slovakia	2,527.3	2,955.7	3,303.5	11.8%
Investment funds (Poland)	17,855.0	13,119.6	15,137.1	15.4%
thousand				
Credit cards, including	362.8	381.9	396.5	3.8%



Poland	325.9	341.2	355.4	4.2%
Foreign branches	36.8	40.7	41.1	0.8%
Debit cards, including:	3,713.0	3,909.0	3,848.7	-1.5%
Poland	3,138.1	3,319.9	3,231.5	-2.7%
Foreign branches	575.0	589.1	617.2	4.8%
Distribution network				
Advisory Centres	10	12	14	
Light branches	24	34	40	
mBank (f. Multibank)	102	95	89	
mKiosks (incl. Partner Kiosks)	123	143	166	
mFinanse (f. Aspiro) Financial Centres	41	41	44	
Czech Republic & Slovakia	33	33	37	

#### **Retail Banking of mBank in Poland**

#### Retail banking offer for individuals

As a leader in online and mobile banking, mBank focuses on technological innovations which make its processes even more efficient. We develop our offer to cater for the expectations of our clients, especially the young ones, which is reflected by our client acquisition structure. Thanks to our activities, mBank has become the first-choice bank for clients aged 16-20 according to the IQS Tracking survey. In addition, the Miesięcznik Finansowy Bank monthly awarded mBank the main prize in the Bank for the Young and Innovation categories.

mBank is among the banks with the largest number of mobile clients. In its Most Mobile Banks in Poland report published on 27 March 2019, cashless.pl listed Polish banks with the highest ability to migrate traditional customer service channels to the modern ones. The results were based on the client mobility ratio. mBank topped the podium with the ratio of 53.5%, which means that more than half of our clients regularly log in to their accounts using smartphones. At the end of 2019, as many as 1,894,700 clients actively used mBank's mobile app, which represents an increase by 27.6% year on year (1,484,500 in 2018). Currently, 72.1% of all logins to mBank's systems are from the mobile app.

#### Loans

In 2019, we continued to optimise our digital processes under the slogan "digital first" to make our products more attractive and to increase the availability of unsecured loans to individuals. This translated into a substantial increase in sales in direct channels (mobile app and online banking). Cash loan sales in the mobile app grew more than 2.5 times. The focus on direct channels can also be observed in our branches and in the contact centre. Our client advisors and consultants teach clients how to apply for banking

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products using the mobile app and online banking, and how to best utilise the opportunities offered by these channels. Currently, one-fourth of all unsecured loans granted in our branches are applied for by clients who file applications on their own with the help of advisors. New sales of non-mortgage loans to individuals in Poland amounted to PLN 6.8 billion in 2019 compared with PLN 6.0 billion in 2018, which represents an increase by 13.7% year on year.

At the beginning of 2019, we introduced the possibility of applying for a cash loan with a discount code. Currently, more than 50% of cash loans sold outside of special offers are purchased with the discount code. In August, we made a new application form for cash loans available. It guides clients filing applications in the mobile app or in online banking in an easy and friendly manner. Thanks to the new application form clients can calculate their creditworthiness even more accurately and adjust the instalments to their capabilities.

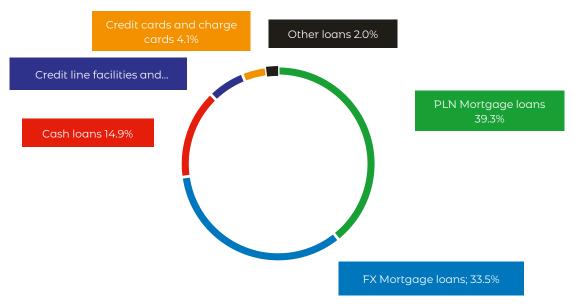
In 2019 we achieved a significant increase in mortgage loan sales while maintaining excellent pricing parameters. The sales of mortgage loans to individuals in Poland amounted to PLN 6.8 billion in 2019 compared with PLN 3.5 billion in 2018, which represents an increase by 94.0% year on year. It is worth mentioning that in 2019, in line with the adopted strategy, the vast majority of originated mortgage loans again qualified for a transfer to mBank Hipoteczny under the pooling procedure, which allows for funding the assets with a better-matched maturity structure. The ongoing work on enhancing the process of granting mortgage loans to clients is expected to significantly shorten the time necessary to issue a credit decision and improve the scalability of the process.

Last year we launched a special offer on mortgage loans for our internal clients. We selected two client groups with the highest activity level. As a result, almost 500,000 clients can now check the special price for a mortgage loan for which they are eligible. The initiative is meant to promote the image of the bank as an institution with an attractive mortgage loan offering, especially for the clients for whom we are the first-choice bank. The NPL ratio of the mortgage loan portfolio for individuals in Poland dropped year on year and stood at 2.0% at the end of 2019, compared with 2.6% a year before.

The graph below presents the structure of the Retail Banking loan portfolio in Poland (including mBank Hipoteczny) at the end of 2019:







#### Savings products

As at the end of 2019 the total amount of Retail Banking deposits in Poland stood at PLN 66,837.9 million compared to PLN 55,733.9 million a year ago, up by 19.9% year on year. At the same time, the balance of current accounts and savings accounts rose by 20.5% and 26.0%, respectively. The strong sales results in the area of savings products were possible thanks to a number of initiatives carried out in 2019, including the following:

- we implemented a new functionality in the savings account entitling to obtain a bonus for depositing new funds;
- we ran two promotional campaigns for the eKonto savings and settlement account offering higher interest on new money;
- we launched the savings product "My Goals" for clients aged 13-17, which allows them to regularly save a fixed amount of money and to save money by rounding up purchases;
- we ran four promotional campaigns concerning "My Goals" with a preferential interest rate;
- we continued the term deposit retention process aimed at rolling-over maturing term deposits.

Growth in retail deposits was accompanied by a decrease in investment products. In 2019 we launched a number of initiatives to adapt our activities in the area of distribution of investment funds units to the new legal environment. Among others, we worked on a new distribution fee settlement model. Additionally, we undertook numerous initiatives supporting the development of investment fund participation units sales. For example, we introduced a simplified MiFID survey, which helps clients determine whether given investment products are suitable for their investment profile.



In November, we started offering free-of-charge individual pension accounts (IKE eMakler) and individual retirement security accounts (IKZE eMakler). The accounts allow independent investors to save for retirement by investing in WSE-traded shares and bonds, as well as in shares traded on four leading foreign stock markets and ETFs from London and Frankfurt. This way, they can earn on changes in stock prices of companies such as Apple, Google, Facebook, or BP. mBank clients can thus take advantage of increases in stock prices on leading stock markets worldwide, which often take place even when the WSE stagnates. By investing in ETFs (Exchange Traded Funds), which track the performance of given indexes, investors can further diversify their investment risk. Apart from lower price volatility, ETFs also offer lower transaction costs than traditional investment funds.

#### Cards and accounts

In H1 2019, we launched a simplified offering of accounts for individuals comprising the new personal eKonto account and an account for young clients, eKonto możliwości. Both accounts are free of charge and offer free money withdrawals at all ATMs in Poland and abroad.

We offer the most favourable conditions on the market, which pushes us to the top of many industry league tables. eKonto możliwości ranks first in the league table of accounts for young clients compiled by *kontomlodziezowe.com*, and it is the most frequently selected account by this client group according to *kontostudenta.pl*. The IQS Tracking survey at mBank's request showed that we are the first-choice bank for young clients.

Thanks to the cooperation with Przelewy 24, we made the quick transfer service available to our clients. It allows clients to transfer money to their mBank accounts from accounts held with another bank. The transferred funds are credited to the client's account within 15 minutes.

In February 2019, we were the first bank in Poland to offer an online emergency service. The Cyber Rescue service provides assistance to users experiencing online security problems. Specialists are available around the clock and they can be accessed conveniently and quickly via Messenger, telephone or text message. Users can request assistance in the case of a hacking attack, problems with viruses, loss of passwords to social media etc. The service is unconditionally free-of-charge for mBank clients.

In 2019, we focused on client acquisition in medium-sized towns. The initiative consisting in opening mBank's ice rinks proved a huge success. In early December, free ice rinks were launched in 10 Polish towns, including Włocławek, Suwałki, and Przemyśl. The inhabitants were also offered the possibility of renting skates and getting an instructor. Within one month from the launch of the ice rinks, client acquisition in the towns covered by the programme grew remarkably.

In April 2019, we added the MasterCard card to the multi-currency service. Now, not only VISA card holders can use the service free of charge. It is available for eleven currencies (JPY, NOK, SEK, CZK, DKK, HUF, HRK, EUR, USD, CHF, GBP). Similarly to FX accounts, we do



not charge any fees for using the service. Thanks to the multi-currency service, a debit card can be linked not only to a client's main PLN account, but also to FX accounts.

In June 2019, we introduced a MasterCard card in the limited Pol'and'Rock edition, designed by Jurek Owsiak. In December, we launched a limited MasterCard card to mark the 28th Grand Finale of the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity (WOŚP), featuring a special design by Jurek Owsiak.

Since September 2, 2019, clients may order debit cards in a portrait format. The new Visa and MasterCard cards are simple and minimalist. They no longer feature client data on the front side. All information, including the name and surname, card number and expiry date are displayed on the reverse of the card.

In 2019, the value of payment card transactions made by mBank's retail clients in Poland amounted to PLN 46.6 billion, which represents a rise by 22.0% year on year. The number of transactions made by mBank clients grew by 23.4% year on year. mBank's credit cards are also characterised by a very high average number of transactions per client. At the end of September 2019, the market share of transactions by mBank's cards (by number of transactions) stood at 13.0%.

#### Products and services for affluent clients

In 2019, we continued the acquisition of affluent clients, who are the target group of our mKonto Intensive account. The account holders enjoy free cash withdrawals from ATMs all over the world, can make three instant transfers per month free of charge and have access to priority service in the call centre. In addition, mKonto Intensive is the only account that comes with a Visa Świat Intensive multi-currency card and a World MasterCard Intensive credit card. Both cards allow commission-free conversion of transactions, thanks to which clients do not incur any additional costs when making payments abroad or shopping online in a foreign currency.

Apart from offering attractive products and services to new clients, we also launch temporary special offers concerning selected products for our existing clients. In 2019, we ran a special mortgage loan offer with a reduced commission and margin for affluent clients being mKonto Intensive holders. We also introduced a promotional savings offer with a preferential interest rate to cater for the special needs of this client group.

#### **Brokerage operations and asset management**

The Brokerage Bureau of mBank (BM) provides a comprehensive range of brokerage services to the largest Polish institutional investors (pension funds, investment funds, asset management companies), foreign funds, and individual and private banking clients. The Brokerage Bureau enables clients to trade in regulated markets in Poland and abroad as well as in the OTC (CFD) market. As part of wealth management services, clients may use investment advisory and asset portfolio management services. The Bureau is an active



player in the capital market, preparing and conducting public and private offerings (IPO/SPO/ABB).

In 2019 we observed a visible decrease in investor activity on the WSE compared with 2018 (-8.0% year on year in the stock market) accompanied by a weakening position of domestic investors and growing domination of global investment banks operating as remote members of the WSE. The turnover of BM on the WSE stock market amounted to PLN 13.4 billion (-23.5% year on year), which made mBank the thirteenth player on the market in terms of total turnover (3.4% market share) and eighth player from the perspective of turnover on the client's account (5.7% market share). Our clients express systematically growing interest in investing in foreign markets. At the end of the year, the number of brokerage accounts of BM clients amounted to 311,200.

The conditions on global financial markets in 2019 fostered growth of assets under management. Wealth Management benefited from the changes introduced in the investment structure in the previous years, moving toward global, diversified solutions. The value of assets under management in discretionary portfolios (i.e. assets managed by BM without clients' active involvement) increased by a third. Aside from the above-mentioned portfolios, we continued to develop white label solutions. Four mBank FIO sub-funds (including one equity, one multi-asset, and two bond sub-funds) joined the existing mFundusz Konserwatywny SFIO, thereby increasing assets accumulated in these solutions by over PLN 230 million in 2019.

In 2019 mBank's Wealth Management pioneered a fully diversified strategy of socially responsible investing for its clients in Poland, in line with the ESG principles. ESG strategy assets accounted for 19% of assets in investment strategies with a comparable investment risk level. Another important issue was the conclusion of an agreement with CFA Society Poland on the implementation and promotion of the Statement of Investor Rights. It stresses mBank's adherence to ethical aspects of financing. We are the first institution in Poland to enter into this type of cooperation with one of the world's leading professional certification organisations. Finally, in 2019 Wealth Management offered funds of the global asset management company AllianceBernstein to clients, which confirms our desire to promote diversified, global, and transparent investment solutions.

The stock market in 2019 was marked by very low transactional activity, especially in the scope of capital transactions like IPO, SPO and ABB. Despite this, BM concluded four such transactions in 2019, including ABB of Famur shares (PLN 275.9 million) and ABB of Trakcja PRKil shares (PLN 59.6 million). Furthermore, BM remained an active player and successfully performed ten share buybacks and calls for shares of WSE-listed companies, including ES-SYSTEM (PLN 147.3 million), Ergis (PLN 66.9 million), Neuca (two buybacks worth PLN 80.4 million in total) and Elemental Holding (two buybacks worth PLN 36.5 million in total).



#### **Cooperation with AXA Group**

In 2019, mBank continued to cooperate with its strategic insurance partner AXA in the area of bancassurance. The partnership covers selling insurance products to mBank clients and focuses particularly on the standalone product segment, including motor, travel, home, and life insurance as well as the segment of products linked to banking products, e.g. loans.

The bank continued the transformation of its insurance product portfolio to meet the needs of digital clients who intensively take advantage of direct channels to fulfil their needs and contact the bank. As a result, we refreshed our standalone product mix. All standalone products (i.e. motor, home, travel, and life & health insurance) can be purchased in the bank's mobile app. Over 40% of travel insurance policies are now sold via the mobile app.

#### Products and services for small and medium-sized enterprises

The company account with 24 months' no fee guarantee was the main product driving client acquisition in 2019. The product was offered on a standalone basis and as part of the "mBank Business Starter" (Firmootwieracz), which enables potential clients to set up a company and open a bank account via mBank. The main assumptions of our acquisition offer (no fees for a bank account, debit card, transfers, withdrawals from selected ATMs, and deposits made at CDMs) remained consistent throughout the year. In 2019, we had to adjust our systems and procedures to new regulations. We expanded the split payment mechanism and implemented the new type of transfer to the Tax Office following the introduction of Individual Tax Accounts. We adjust to new regulations bearing in mind their impact on businesses. Therefore, we prepared a comprehensive information campaign concerning all legal changes introduced in 2019. It included direct communication via online banking and the mobile app, articles published on mBank's blog, and webinars.

We accompany businesses and listen to their needs on a day-to-day basis. Aside from our monthly meetings with businesspeople, we organised an inspirational meeting (OkO w OkO) and photography workshops during the ALIBI women's fair in Łódź. We made use of our personal hobbies and interests to promote mBank among businesspeople. The event met with a warm reception with participants appreciating mBank for "really helping and giving directions to people who consider setting up their own business".

2019 was marked by a 19.1% year-on-year increase in unsecured loan sales. Mortgage sales rose by 50.2% compared to the previous year.

In April 2019, we launched factoring services for sole traders. A limit of up to PLN 50,000 can be applied for online. The decision comes within 5 minutes. The same amount of time is needed to get an invoice financing decision. The service is tied to the current



account and enables clients to make repayments manually or automatically. It only takes one click to prolong the repayment deadline by 30 days from the invoice due date.

In H1 2019, we launched EUR and USD Visa Business currency cards for business clients with free-of-charge ATM withdrawals and no currency conversion when paying for company expenses abroad. In August 2019, we enhanced the mKsięgowość (mAccounting) service with new features, including the option to upload document images (e.g. invoices) using the CashDirector mobile app. We also added a financial liquidity analysis tool, which shows clients if their financial liquidity could be at risk within the next four weeks.

#### Retail Banking in the Czech Republic and Slovakia

#### mBank's operations

In 2019, our branches in the Czech Republic and Slovakia put the greatest emphasis on deposit products, acquisition of active clients, lending growth, and process optimisation. The branches completed several projects aimed to increase sales capacities and sales process excellence. The product mix was expanded with new scenarios, which strengthened and increased the range of available solutions.

mBank continued to reinforce its leading position in mobile banking. The year was marked by further development of mobile banking. The branches added new solutions and enhanced the existing ones. We improved communication in the app and increased its security with the new mobile authorisation tool mKlíč (mKey). The tool offers a higher level of security and more comfortable authorisation of transactions. The application tells the client why their transaction has been rejected and how they can avoid this in the future. The Slovak branch launched express payments. The service allows faster money transfers to beneficiaries in other banks.

In February, our Czech branch launched the innovative Visa World (mKarta Svět) card. The card is very popular with clients who travel and pay abroad. The card has become the new standard debit card for the mKonto account. The card combines the best exchange rates on the market (compared with debit cards offered by other banks) and commission-free payments with comfort offered by a local bank. In addition, the Czech and Slovak branches launched mSaver (My Goals), an automatic savings product developed on the basis of customer behaviour analysis. In H1 2019, we were the first on the market to launch new solutions which had been expected by many clients. We introduced modern payment methods, including Apple Pay, Garmin Pay, and Fitbit Pay, on both markets in 2019.

Both branches acquired 34,200 clients in 2019. The total number of clients served on both markets went up to 958,600 at the end of 2019 (291,500 in Slovakia and 667,000 in the Czech Republic). As part of the strategic partnership with Broker Consulting, a Czech independent financial service broker, our products and services were available in 45 co-



branded advisory centres (OK Points) specialising in banking services. The OK Points were equipped with mBank's cash deposit machines.

mBank's business in the Czech Republic and Slovakia won several major awards in 2019. We again took top spots in the Zlatá koruna (Golden Crown) contest, winning a total of four awards, including the main awards in the two most important categories – Retail Clients' Choice and Entrepreneurs' Choice. Our mobile app ranked third in the league table of online and mobile banking channels. mBank's mortgage and mKonto won the golden and silver awards in the Finparáda – The Financial Product of the Year contest, respectively. The contest is based on an evaluation of annual market data conducted by Scott & Ross analysts to determine the best products from the point of view of benefits offered to clients in the previous year. mBank's business in the Czech Republic received the Superbrands award for the fourth consecutive time, while the Slovak branch won this distinction for the third time. The awards confirm mBank's position among the strongest brands in both countries.

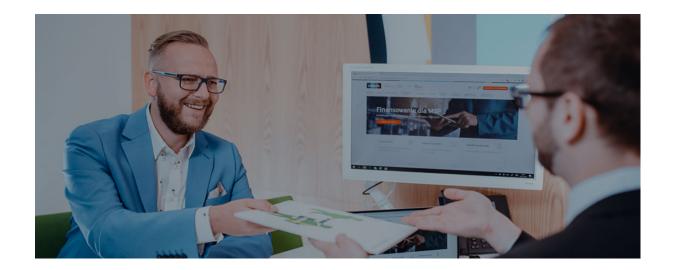
#### Loans and deposits

The growth rate of mBank's loan portfolio in the Czech Republic and Slovakia demonstrates the positive development trend. As at the end of 2019, the loan portfolio was worth PLN 5,083.8 million, up by PLN 374.9 million or 8.0% compared to the end of 2018. The growth was again driven primarily by non-mortgage loans. New non-mortgage loan sales initiatives accompanied by product and origination process enhancements allowed the foreign branches to increase non-mortgage loans' sales by 11.3% year on year to PLN 788.4 million. Sales of non-mortgage loans in the Czech Republic amounted to PLN 585.0 million, up by 12.2% year on year. Sales of non-mortgage loans in Slovakia increased by 9.1% year on year and stood at PLN 203.4 million. Increases were reported in all sales channels. The increase in the share of cash loans sold via the mobile app from 5% to 10% in the whole of 2019 is particularly worth mentioning.

Our mortgage loan sales efforts in 2019 were focused on reviving lending in our Slovak branch, which was impacted by the introduction of the Polish banking tax, and maintaining previous sales levels in the Czech Republic. Total new sales of mortgages in the foreign branches amounted to PLN 844.8 million in 2019, up by 12.0% year on year. We successfully increased mortgage sales in Slovakia to PLN 311.8 million, up by 88.9% against the previous year.

The volume of deposits in the foreign branches continued to grow in 2019 to reach PLN 10,649.8 million at the end of the year, which represents an increase of 5.2% year on year. Most of the deposits were current account deposits, which was primarily attributable to an increase in clients' transactional activity.





### **Corporates and Financial Markets**

The Corporates and Financial Markets segment serves 26,476 corporate clients including:

Kl	K2	К3
large enterprises	mid-sized enterprises	small enterprises
annual sales exceeding PLN 1 billion and non-banking financial institutions	annual sales of PLN 50 million – PLN 1 billion	annual sales below PLN 50 million, full accounting
2,319 clients	8,211 clients	15,946 clients

The service is performed via, i.a. a network of 46 dedicated branches.

mBank Group's offer of products and services for corporate clients focuses on:

- traditional banking products
  - corporate accounts
  - domestic and international money transfers
  - payment cards
  - cash services
  - liquidity management products
- corporate finance products
- hedging instruments
- equity capital market (ECM) services, debt capital market (DCM) instruments, mergers and acquisitions (M&A)
- leasing i factoring.

The segment comprises two areas: Corporate and Investment Banking, and Financial Markets.



Key financial data of Corporates and Financial Markets (at the end of 2019):

**50.2**%

**PLN 780.9 M** 

PLN 2,165.9 M

Share in pre-tax profit

**Pre-tax profit** 

**Total income** 

Key business data:

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Clients (thousand)	19.6	20.9	22.0	23.7	26.5
Branches (pcs)	51	45	46	46	46
Loans to corporate clients (PLN M)	33,447	34,174	37,942	44,233	47,786
Deposits of corporate clients (PLN M)	34,424	37,383	34,590	35,346	38,138

#### **Key highlights**

- Increase of core income by 14.6% in comparison with 2018.
- Increase in corporate loans by 8.0% year on year.
- Record acquisition of 2.8 thousand of new corporate clients.
- Keeping Net Promoter Score (NPS) for corporate customers who indicated mBank as their main bank, at the high level of 41, close to the previous year's performance (market average at 17)1.
- Increase in mBank's market shares in loans to enterprises from 6.6% in 2018 to 7.5% at the end of 2019.
- Increase in mBank's market shares in deposits of enterprises from 9.0% in 2018 to 9.9% at the end of 2019.
- The Administrator's Centre in the electronic banking system mBank CompanyNet enabling clients to easily manage users and rights.
- Launching of new packaged deals for SMEs and creating a team of remote advisors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: Kantar Polska, August 2019.



#### **Corporate and Investment Banking**

#### Financial results

The Corporate and Investment Banking segment generated a profit before tax of PLN 629.1 million in 2019, which represents an increase by PLN 83.4 million, i.e. 15.3% year on year.

Na kształtowanie się wyniku brutto segmentu Bankowości Korporacyjnej i Inwestycyjnej w 2019 roku miały wpływ następujące czynniki:

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Net interest income	922.8	1,066.6	143.8	15.6%
Net fee and commission income	456.7	513.9	57.1	12.5%
Net trading income	252.8	275.9	23.2	9.2%
Other income	0.2	1.3	1.2	644.8%
Net other operating income/expense	34.0	19.0	-15.0	-44.1%
Total income	1,666.5	1,876.7	210.3	12.6%
Net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances	-238.0	-282.1	-44.1	18.5%
Overhead costs and depreciation	-728.8	-791.0	-62.2	8.5%
Taxes on Group's balance sheet items	-153.9	-174.5	-20.6	13.4%
Profit before tax of Corporates and Investment Banking	545.7	629.1	83.4	15.3%

The profit before tax of Corporate and Investment Banking in 2019 was driven by the following factors:

- Higher total income compared with the previous year (+PLN 210.3 million, i.e. 12.6%):
  - net interest income grew by PLN 143.8 million, i.e. +15.6%, mainly due to higher credit margins and increased credit volumes,
  - net fee and commission income increased by PLN 57.1 million, i.e. 12.5% mainly thanks to higher credit-related commissions resulting from a substantial increase of loans origination, higher commissions from bank accounts and money transfers and increased commissions from guarantees granted and trade finance commissions;
- Increase in operating expenses (including depreciation) by PLN 62.2 million, i.e. 8.5%, to a significant extent resulting from higher contribution to the Bank Guarantee Fund:
- Increase in net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances by PLN 44.1 million, i.e. 18.5% compared with 2018;
- Tax on the Group's balance sheet items at PLN 174.5 million, +PLN 20.6 million or 13.4% year on year.



#### Activity of Corporate and Investment Banking segment in numbers (mBank only)

	31.12.2017	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	Annual change in %
Number of corporate clients	22,048	23,706	26,476	11 <b>.7</b> %
K1 <sup>1</sup>	2,093	2,193	2,319	5.7%
K2 <sup>1</sup>	7,088	7,520	8,211	9.2%
K3 <sup>1</sup>	12,867	13 993	15,946	14.0%
PLN M				
Loans to corporate clients, including	23,010.6	25,635.6	28,962.4	13.0%
K1	5,316.9	7,052.8	7,307.1	3.6%
K2	14,529.7	15,745.6	18,685.1	18.7%
К3	2,973.0	2,519.1	2,840.9	12.8%
Reverse repo/buy sell back transactions	57.1	200.3	13.4	-93.3%
Other	133.8	117.9	115.9	-1.8%
Deposits of corporate clients, including	31,068.5	32,987.4	35,216.0	6.8%
К1	11,999.2	12,765.2	12,434.0	-2.6%
К2	13,483.3	13,048.9	14,934.4	14.4%
К3	5,079.0	5,993.2	7,079.4	18.1%
Repo transactions	82.6	713.1	175.4	-75.4%
Other	424.4	467.1	592.9	26.9%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Due to the customer re-segmentation in 2019, corporate customer, loans and deposits data is incomparable year on year.

The year 2019 saw an increase in corporate loans and deposits. The corporate loans market grew by 2.6% year on year, whereas the corporate deposits market expanded by 9.7%. mBank outperformed the market with its loan and deposit volumes up by 17.0% and 20.9%, respectively. At the end of 2019 mBank's shares in the market for corporate loans and deposits reached 7.5% and 9.9%, respectively.

In 2019 the bank further intensified its efforts to attract new corporate clients, which resulted in high acquisition of new companies: the corporate client base (K1, K2 and K3) grew by 2,770 companies year on year to 26,476. Consequently, client acquisition grew by 11.7% year on year. Successful client acquisition pushed current account deposits held with mBank up to PLN 24.8 billion at the end of 2019, which represents an increase by 14.9% year on year. The high volume of current deposits is a springboard for continued

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development of transactional banking, which is of special relevance to the bank due to its growth potential and further tightening of cooperation with clients. Interestingly, the number of factoring clients grew by 37.5% compared with 2018.

In 2019 the bank conducted another Corporate Client Satisfaction Survey. It is a relationship exercise designed to comprehensively assess clients' cooperation with the bank. We believe that feedback from clients is a highly valuable indicator of measures that should be taken in order to enhance our image as a bank offering the very best solutions for demanding corporate clients. When measuring customer satisfaction, our key focus is always on the Net Promoter Score (NPS). The NPS for corporate clients who indicated mBank as their main bank stood at 41, which is similar to the previous year's figure. mBank fared much better than the market average of 17 (source: Kantar Polska, August 2019). The most important element of the NPS programme is the closed-loop feedback process: mBank advisers talk to representatives of the surveyed corporate clients immediately after the survey to collect more detailed feedback and uncover the reasons for detractors' reluctance to recommend the bank and for promoters' willingness to suggest mBank to their business partners.

The sound level of NPS in the Corporate and Investment Banking segment is a result of active measures taken as part of the mSatisfaction project ("mSatysfakcja"). The main goal of this initiative is to increase the level of genuine satisfaction with mBank's offer and services among corporate clients, listen to clients, and improve their relationship with the bank in the context of promoting one of the most significant values fostered by mBank – empathy towards clients.

The mSatysfakcja project involves, among others, transactional surveys. We ask clients how satisfied they are with individual products and processes offered by mBank and how likely they are to recommend them.

2019 saw further growth and development in the small and medium-sized enterprises segment (SME - K3), as evidenced by a 37% year-on-year upturn in the number of new clients. Advanced corporate banking services coupled with state-of-the-art tools, including the modern electronic banking system mBank CompanyNet, were highly popular with clients. Digitalisation processes enable greater self-service for current account holders. The state-of the-art electronic banking system features, in particular the Administrator's Centre enabling clients to easily manage users and rights. This solution has already been used by as many as 60% of SME clients. In addition, the Virtual Branch allows clients to apply for products and services.

mBank's initiatives and actions introduced so far in the K3 segment have been well received by clients, which is reflected by customer satisfaction survey results (NPS of 37 for entrepreneurs that indicated mBank as their main bank). In addition, the proportion of corporate clients satisfied or very satisfied with mBank's services stood at 75%, which is similar to last year's figure (source: Corporate Client Satisfaction Survey - K3 Segment, September 2019).

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In order to respond to challenging market conditions, mBank has been continuously enhancing its SME customer service processes and adjusting its product portfolio to client needs and the legal environment.

For example, we launched new packaged deals for SMEs. Clients can choose from three deals offering key banking products and services (Growth ("Rozwój"), Balance ("Równowaga") or World ("Świat"), depending on which suits their business best. More than 60% of clients have already chosen to take this offer.

We introduced a new customer service model dedicated to business clients who have so far not been actively using banking products or seeking support from advisors. The new service is provided by a team of virtual advisors entitled to render the services of traditional advisors. Thanks to this new solution every SME client, regardless of the scale of business, can receive help from advisors and gets in touch with the bank more readily. 2019 was the second year when Corporate Banking launched an offer dedicated to the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity (WOŚP). As part of the campaign entitled You Don't Grow Out of Good Things ("Z dobrych rzeczy się nie wyrasta") 228 corporate clients decided to open an account with mBank and donate all bank account and transfer fees due for the period from January to June 2019 to WOŚP.

mBank's Corporate Banking was awarded by the Global Finance international magazine and took top spot in two categories: the World's Best Treasury and Cash Management Banks and Providers 2019 and the Best Corporate Digital Bank 2019. Furthermore, the bank was also named the best digital bank for corporates in Central and Eastern Europe in the World's Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Banks 2019 contest.

The Cashless Poland Foundation (Fundacja Polska Bezgotówkowa) once again recognised mBank for its efforts to promote cashless payments in Poland. The bank was awarded in the category of entities with the highest sales of contracts under the Cashless Poland Programme in 2019.

In October 2019 the Euromoney magazine announced the results of its annual survey in which clients assessed the quality of services offered by their banks. Once again mBank was among the leaders of the Euromoney Cash Management Survey and ranked second in Poland in the Best Services category. The financial services offered by banks were assessed by finance managers - CFOs, treasurers and accountants. mBank has been at the top of this league table for several years, which shows clients' appreciation for the quality of services, innovative solutions, and personalized approach offered by the bank.

In H1 2019 mBank was also a laureate of the Financing Bank of the Year award of the Polish Private Equity and Venture Capital Association (Polskie Stowarzyszenie Inwestorów Kapitałowych, PSIK) for its achievements on the Polish private equity/venture capital market. In the Financing Bank of the Year category mBank was also awarded the Investment Diamonds prize for the most professional bank supporting investment.



The key objective of Corporate and Investment Banking is to continue the dynamic growth in the K3 segment and maintain a strong position in the K2 segment. Moreover, we put an even greater focus on streamlining processes, simplifying documentation, and introducing improvements to enhance our clients' everyday comfort. The solution enabling clients to cross-check accounts against the white list of VAT payers developed in 2019 can serve as an example. Starting from 2020, a new law provides for sanctions for corporate clients transferring more than PLN 15,000 to an account not included on the white list. On January 7, 2020, mBank enabled its clients to cross-check the accounts of their beneficiaries against the white list in mBank CompanyNet. The service is free of charge regardless of the transfer amount. This way mBank responds to the needs of its clients and makes doing business in the ever-changing legal environment easier for them. Digital Client Onboarding ("Cyfrowy onboarding Klienta – COBRA") is another innovative project launched at mBank to digitalise the client onboarding process. The project will deliver an electronic sales platform offering the majority of transactional banking products, in particular bank accounts, payment cards or cash service, and facilitating innovative interactions with clients. The primary goal of the project is to add real value to clients by reducing the time needed to open a corporate account with the bank and by digitalising the process, i.e. getting rid of paper applications, agreements, and signature specimen cards. The project is expected to boost efficiency by creating an acquisition process that reduces the workload for advisors and by migrating all the processes operated by advisors to one single system.

#### Products and services on offer

#### **Corporate loans**

The value of loans granted by mBank to corporate clients (excluding reverse repo transactions) stood at PLN 28,949.0 million at the end of 2019, representing an increase of 13.8% year on year.

PLN M	31.12.2017	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	Annual change
Loans to corporate clients <sup>1</sup>	22,954	25,435	28,949	13.8%
Loans to enterprises <sup>2</sup>	21,969	24,616	28,797	17.0%
Loans granted to local governments	550	360	200	-44.3%
Market of loans to enterprises <sup>3</sup>	344,882	374,356	383,965	2.6%
mBank's share in the market of loans to enterprises	6.4%	6.6%	7.5%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The bank, excluding reverse repo transactions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>NBP category which ensures comparability of results of the banking sector.



<sup>3</sup> Position was changed compared to the Management Board Report on Performance of mBank S.A. Group in 2018 resulting from an update of data by NBP.

#### **Corporate deposits**

The value of corporate deposits at mBank (excluding repo transactions) stood at PLN 35,040.6 million at the end of 2019, representing an increase of 8.6% year on year.

PLN M	31.12.2017	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	Annual change
Corporate deposits <sup>1</sup>	30,986	32,274	35,041	8.6%
Deposits of enterprises <sup>2</sup>	27,909	27,099	32,770	20.9%
Deposits of local governments	506	267	164	-38.5%
Market of deposits of enterprises <sup>3</sup>	291,941	301,012	330,081	9.7%
mBank's share in the total deposits of enterprises	9.6%	9.0%	9.9%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The bank, excluding repo transactions.

#### Structured finance, project finance, syndicated loans

mBank's Corporate and Investment Banking offers structured and mezzanine financing, in particular, for mergers and acquisitions and investment projects, including renewable energy projects (wind farms and photovoltaic). In 2019, mBank co-financed around 75 projects as part of bilateral and syndicated agreements (including 12 renewable energy projects), providing clients with approx. 135 credit risk products. The bank's new exposure under syndicated and bilateral products stood at PLN 7,091.4 million (including approx. PLN 660 million in the renewable energy industry).

#### De minimis guarantees

The bank continued to execute in the Portfolio Guarantee Line De Minimis (PLD) Agreement as part of the government's "Supporting Entrepreneurship through BGK Sureties and Guarantees" programme. As at December 31, 2019, the limit utilisation level reached PLN 2,492.2 million.

On June 25, 2018, mBank signed another Portfolio Guarantee Line De Minimis Agreement (PLD-KFG), being a continuation of the previous agreement (PLD), with an allocated limit for guarantees at PLN 2,700 million. As at December 31, 2019, the limit utilisation level reached PLN 1,054.3 million.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> NBP category which ensures comparability of results of the banking sector.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Position was changed compared to the Management Board Report on Performance of mBank S.A. Group in 2018 resulting from an update of data by NBP.



#### COSME

mBank continued to offer the portfolio guarantee line with a counter-guarantee provided by the European Investment Bank under the COSME programme (a European Union programme for the competitiveness of enterprises running from 2014 to 2020). The BGK guarantee limit for mBank stands at PLN 780 million. As at December 31, 2019, the limit utilisation level reached PLN 648.4 million.

#### **European Union financing**

On July 10, 2019, the bank signed a new agreement with the European Investment Bank (EIB) on opening a EUR 125 million credit line (SMEs and MID-CAPs and Climate Actions) dedicated to financing projects and liabilities related to the production cycle of SMEs (entities with fewer than 250 employees) and MID-CAPs (entities with a headcount ranging from over 250 to fewer than 3,000 employees). One-third of the credit line will be allocated to climate action projects.

#### Issue of debt securities for corporate clients

The share of mBank in the non-treasury debt market as the end of November 2019 is presented in the table below.

	Short-term debt	Corporate debt	Mid-term bank debt
mBank (PLN M)	1,225.0	7,934.0	14,433.1
Market (PLN M)	13,339.8	65,714.3	60,688.4
Market share	9.2%	12.1%	23.8%
Market position	#3	#3	#1

The largest transactions in 2019 included the placement of Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego worth a total of PLN 1,925 million. We placed also covered bonds of mBank Hipoteczny worth PLN 100 million and its bonds worth a total of PLN 65 million.

In the corporate bonds market, the bank carried out a series of new significant issues, i.e.: Dino Polska S.A. (PLN 170 million), EFL S.A. (total of PLN 164 million), Kruk S.A. (PLN 115 million), Echo Investment S.A. (PLN 100 million), Robyg S.A. (PLN 100 million), Archicom SA (PLN 60 million).

#### **Transactional banking**

Cash management is an area of Corporate Banking offering state-of-the-art solutions to facilitate planning, monitoring, and management of highly liquid assets, cash processing, as well as electronic banking. The solutions streamline daily financial operations, enhance effective cash flow management, and help to optimise interest costs and income.



mBank's vast and ever-expanding range of cash management products and services supports long-term relationships with clients. It is reflected by the following data:

Number of outgoing foreign transfers	+9.6%
Number of incoming foreign transfers	+11.3%
Number of corporate cards	+12.3%
Number of active mCompanyNet users	+8.0%

#### mBank CompanyNet

In 2019 mBank added new functions for electronic banking users. Now, everyone who visits our Virtual Branch can apply online for a new payment card, for changing their company's details (name, address of the registered office, correspondence address), for an auditor's opinion, for reimbursement of a mistaken payment, for changing the fees account, for opening a sub-account, for a bank reference, etc. Another improvement is the electronic mismatch report for closed cash deposits featured in mBank CompanyNet.

#### New partner in integration of the online banking system with companies' software

mBank has a wide range of user-friendly and secure solutions integrating the online banking system with companies' software. On July 1, 2019 mBank CompanyNet was integrated with the systems of Comarch – ERP Optima and ERP XL. Clients who use the systems of Comarch and mBank CompanyNet can directly exchange data with the bank. They can also check their account balance, authorise transfers, and import their transfer history (the transfers are then booked accordingly by Comarch's system).

#### New features in the SWIFTNET Korpo service

Thanks to the SWIFTNET Korpo service, corporate clients of mBank registered in the SWIFT network can access their mBank accounts via this network. In 2019 mBank introduced the mass payment feature to SWIFTNET Korpo, whereby the procedure for executing orders is based on the rules of executing mass orders applicable in mBank CompanyNet.

# Transactional and cash service of the grand finale of the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity (WOŚP)

In 2019 mBank was the provider of transactional and cash service at the 27th grand finale of the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity. The bank's support included, among others: processing of cash payments made by WOŚP collection centres, settlement of transactions made using POS terminals used by WOŚP volunteers, identification of incoming transfers and mBank Connect integration services providing the foundation with effective access to donated funds. In addition, mBank accepted and handled other valuables (e.g. jewelry) put by donors in the collection boxes. The collection centres were also equipped with coin and banknote counters. When providing the services, the bank complied with the highest security standards. Transactional and cash service of the 27th grand finale of the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity was a major undertaking.



mBank's transactional banking supported 1,700 collection centres and over 120,000 volunteers participating in the event across Poland with:

- 20 big cash sorters,
- over 400 coin counters,
- over 350 secure transports of cash,
- payment terminals for over 430 volunteers and over 300 terminals in mBank's branches.

mBank used the experience gained last year to provide transactional and cash service at the 28th grand finale of the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity in 2020.

#### PSD2 - launch of mBank API

In line with the requirements of PSD2, mBank enabled all registered Third Party Providers (TPP) to use an open API. Detailed information on the services for corporate clients introduced at mBank in relation with PSD2 is available at <a href="https://www.mbank.pl/psd2/msp-korporacje">www.mbank.pl/psd2/msp-korporacje</a>.

#### Cash deposit machines for businesses

To address the needs of businesses and the market, mBank develops a service called the smart cash deposit machine. When integrated with a company's internal system and mBank's online banking, the solution allows for depositing cash and booking payments in real time without leaving the company's premises. The service has been increasingly popular with our clients: 186 deposit machines were set up in 2018 compared with 262 machines in 2019 (up by 41% year on year). Each product is tailored to the needs and nature of a given business. Furthermore, to address the unique demands of its clients, mBank also offers a more complex machine consisting of a cash recycler which dispenses particular banknotes, and a cash deposit machine which allows clients to deposit their revenue. The service is also available in the standard version featuring basic functionalities, dedicated to less demanding clients.



#### **Financial Markets**

#### Financial results

In 2019 the Financial Markets segment generated a profit before tax of PLN 151.8 million compared with PLN 83.4 million posted in 2018, marking an increase by PLN 68.4 million, i.e. 82.0%, year on year.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Change in %
Net interest income	253.5	235.5	-18.0	-7.1%
Net fee and commission income	-10.1	-16.3	-6.3	62.7%
Net trading income	-32.1	34.8	66.9	-/+
Other income	18.2	36.1	17.9	98.4%
Net other operating income/expense	-0.5	-0.9	-0.3	59.4%
Total income	229.0	289.2	60.2	26.3%
Net impairment losses and fair value change on loans and advances	0.2	0.8	0.7	417.4%
Overhead costs and depreciation	-109.3	-101.4	7.9	-7.2%
Taxes on Group's balance sheet items	-36.5	-36.8	-0.3	0.8%
Profit before tax of Financial Markets	83.4	151.8	68.4	82.0%

The profit before tax of Financial Markets in 2019 was driven by the following factors:

- Increase of total income by PLN 60.2 million, i.e. 26.3% year on year driven by an improvement of net trading income by PLN 66.9 million mainly due to a higher foreign exchange result supported by higher volume of transactions conducted with clients. At the same time, the core income decreased year on year: net interest income by PLN 18.0 million (-7.1%) mainly due to lower yields on treasury bonds and net fee and commission income by PLN 6.3 million (-62.7%) due to an increase in commission costs:
- Drop in operating expenses (including depreciation) by 7.2% year on year to PLN 101.4 million as a result of lower material and personnel costs;
- Tax on the Group's balance sheet items at PLN 36.8 million, i.e. similar to the level from 2018 (+0.8% year on year)

#### Activity of the Financial Markets segment in 2019

In 2019, the activities of the financial market products sales area were focused on the preparation and running of projects aiming at improving customer service and increasing the number of clients using digital channels. The work resulted in the desk for managing



clients who independently conclude transactions on the currency platform (mPlatforma Walutowa). We also provided new margin policy for the clients of Corporate Banking.

Additionally, the Financial Markets Sales Department undertook activities that affected the volume of transactions and income generated from the bank's cooperation with clients:

- Low volatility made it necessary for sales teams to step up their efforts in acquiring new clients over the phone, which eventually pushed the margin on telephone transactions with corporate clients up by 14.8% year on year;
- The margin on transactions of corporate clients concluded via the currency platform grew by 15.9% year on year;
- Intensive acquisition measures in Retail Banking resulted in margins going up by 24.9% in this segment. Almost 26,000 corporate clients (an increase by 12.6% year on year) and more than 116,000 individual clients (an increase by 131.4% year on year) used the currency platform. The number of new private banking clients using the DSM offer totalled 250;
- 99.1% of FX transactions in Retail Banking were concluded via digital channels (online banking – 42.0% and mobile banking – 57.1%);
- For the first time ever, the Commodity Transactions Sales Division exceeded the PLN 10 million threshold margin on commodity price hedging transactions concluded by corporate clients (PLN 10.5 million), which accounted for a 35.1% increase year on year. Organising the Polish day of the London Metal Exchange (LME) in Warsaw (in cooperation with the LME) and participating as a speaker in the event held in London helped mBank reach an even greater number of clients in Poland and make a name for itself abroad. Owing to the almost finished project of automating transaction recording and confirmation, the commodity business will reach a higher level and continue to grow dynamically in 2020;
- The sales projects team processed over 100 structured finance and CRE projects jointly with specialised entities from the corporate banking area and mLeasing, thus increasing income from commodity price hedging transactions by more than 20.0% year on year. In mid-2019, new rules for cross-selling of derivatives were developed to bring the sales of such instruments into compliance with requirements of MIFID II.

mBank's market shares in specific financial instrument markets as of November 30, 2019, are presented below:

Treasury bills & bonds		IRS/FRA	
mBank	11.3%	15.1%	

#### **Financial Institutions**

The Financial Markets area covers relations with financial institutions, focusing mainly on raising capital from other banks and placing excess funds with them.



As at December 31, 2019, mBank had 9 active received loans in the amount of PLN 4,044 million, of which the utilized value stood at PLN 3,579 million. In 2019 four loans in EUR were repaid at the total value of PLN 1,703 million. Additionally, we received a new loan in EUR in the amount of PLN 532 million. Concerning all transactions described above, net debt of mBank resulting from loans received from financial institutions was reduced by PLN 1,573 million compared to the end of 2018. At the exchange rates from the end of 2018, the decrease would amount to PLN 62.5 thousand.

At the end of December 2019, mBank's exposure of loans granted to other banks reached the equivalent of PLN 145.7 million (an increase compared to PLN 124.2 million at the end of 2018). mBank's portfolio comprised short- and medium-term active loans granted to financial institutions from Poland and abroad.

The greatest accomplishments of the Financial Institutions Department in 2019 included:

- EUR 150 million from the European Investment Bank (EIB);
- acquiring several new loro accounts and maintaining a position as one of the leading
   Polish banks in handling settlements in the polish zloty;
- opening new nostro accounts in USD, TRY and ZAR.

Moreover, in 2019 the Financial Institutions Department continued to actively support trade transactions concluded by Polish exporters by offering short-term financing to financial institutions. At the same time, the bank was still serving banks from the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) and offering them medium-term loans secured with KUKE (Export Credit Insurance Corporation) insurance policies.

#### **Custody services**

mBank provides services including settlement of transactions in securities registered in local and foreign markets, safe-keeping of clients' assets, maintenance of securities accounts and registers of securities in non-public trading, maintenance of asset registers of pension funds and investment funds, monitoring the valuation of their assets, and processing corporate actions. mBank's custody clients are mainly financial institutions, in particular investment and pension funds, local and foreign financial institutions, banks offering custodian and investment services, insurance companies, asset management institutions and non-financial institutions.

In 2019, the number of served investment funds increased by 11% year on year.





### **Business activity of selected subsidiaries**

Summary of financial results of mBank Group subsidiaries

In 2019, the profit before tax generated by mBank Group subsidiaries amounted to PLN 210.8 million, compared with PLN 522.7 million in the previous year.

The year-on-year decrease was attributable to, among others, changes in the Group's structure. Key driver was sale of an organised part of mFinanse enterprise in 2018. Higher results were recorded by mLeasing, mBank Hipoteczny and mFaktoring. Decline of the result of "Other" position was mainly related to the sale of real estate previously owned by Garbary subsidiary in 2018.

The table below presents the profit before tax posted by individual subsidiaries in 2019 compared with 2018.

PLN M	2018	2019	Change in PLN M	Cha nge in %
mFinanse	364,41	33,3	-331,1	-90,9%
mLeasing <sup>2</sup>	65,1	96,1	30,9	47,4%
mBank Hipoteczny	60,7	61,3	0,6	1,0%
mFaktoring	21,0	25,3	4,2	20,1%
Other <sup>3</sup>	11,5	-5,1	-16,6	+/-
Total gross profit of mBank's subsidiaries	522,7	210,8	-311,9	-59,7%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Reflects result on the sale transactions of organised parts of enterprise of mFinanse.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes result of Asekum Sp. z o.o. and LeaseLink Sp. z o.o.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Other subsidiaries include mFinance France, mCO, BDH Development, Garbary, Tele-Tech Investments and Future Tech.



#### Business activity of selected subsidiaries

### m Finanse

In 2019, the activities of an open platform of financial products distribution mFinanse were focused on the key business of loans sale intermediation. mFinanse recorded in 2019 an increase in mortgage loan sales by 61.0% (PLN 3,055.7 million in 2019 compared with PLN 1,897.4 million in 2018). In the period under review, mFinanse reported also an increase in cash loan sales by 3.6% (PLN 632.2 million against PLN 610.3 million a year before). The profit from selling car loans dedicated to car dealers rose year on year by 42.3% (PLN 451.1 million compared with PLN 324.4 million in 2018). In 2019 the subsidiary's sales results in the area of car leasing increased by 5.0% (PLN 133.9 million against PLN 127.6 million 2018).

In 2019, mFinanse continued its sales network development project aimed at placing new outlets (mKiosks). It is oriented on improving the scope of physical presence of mBank and mFinanse in the regions where we were absent before. During the period under review, number of mKiosks managed by mFinanse increased by 23, up to 166 outlets at the end of 2019.

The subsidiary's profit before tax in 2019 amounted to PLN 33.3 million compared with PLN 364.4 million a year before. The profit before tax generated in 2019 originated mainly from the core activity of the subsidiary in scope of financial intermediation. Significantly higher result recorded in 2018 was, to a large extent, influenced by sale transactions of organised parts of insurance business.

### **m** Leasing

The value of contracts executed by mLeasing in 2019 amounted to PLN 5.3 million compared with PLN 6.1 billion in 2018, which represents a decrease by 13.1% year on year. Sales deterioration in 2019 originated mainly from decline in the vehicles sector, observed on the whole leasing market. Its primary reason was the high reference base, meaning bigger value of transactions in 2018. It was partially justified by changing legal provisions in scope of leasing which took place in 2018. The value of contracts regarding movables concluded in 2019 amounted to PLN 5.0 billion compared with PLN 6.0 billion a year before (i.e. -16.1% year on year), while the value of contracts concerning real estate stood at PLN 0.3 billion compared with PLN 0.1 billion in 2018 (i.e. +127.1% year on year).

The profit before tax of mLeasing in 2019 amounted to PLN 96.1 million and was higher by 47.7% compared to the result generated in 2018, of PLN 65.1 million. In 2019 we observed continuation of increasing cost of funding expressed in higher margin on loans received by mLeasing.

On March 8, 2019, mLeasing concluded an acquisition of 100% shares in LeaseLink. The subsidiary operates in the fintech sector and specialises in funding of business owners'



purchases online and in stationary shops. Transaction enhances mLeasing's position in funding of small and medium enterprises. It also opens the subsidiary up to new possibilities of funding smaller-value assets. mLeasing is the only owner of LeaseLink. In 2019, profit before tax of LeaseLink amounted to PLN 2.6 million.

2019 was our best year concerning new business of CFM (Car Fleet Management). New agreements worth PLN 1 billion were concluded. According to the CEPIK, central register of vehicles and drivers, mLeasing is the second market player in scope of the number of new cars acquired for CFM in 2019.

The "Leasing in Retail" project continued in 2019. The initiative is dedicated to mBank's business clients and enables them to conclude a leasing agreement using special leasing processes. Thanks to the combined efforts of Retail Banking and mLeasing, in 2019 mLeasing financed fixed assets obtained in cooperation with Retail Banking worth PLN 395.6 million according to their purchase price.

### m Bank Hipoteczny

In 2019, mBank Hipoteczny (mBH) placed 2 issues of mortgage covered bonds in the total nominal amount of PLN 1.4 billion. Details concerning covered bonds issue are described in chapter 5.2. mBank Group funding.

#### Covered bonds issues in 2013-2019



The gross loan portfolio of mBank Hipoteczny totalled PLN 11.9 billion at the end of 2019 (i.e. +6.0% compared to 2018). That change was driven mainly by a systematic rise in the retail portfolio, which expanded over the year by 21.1%. The growth results from conclusion of eight pooling transactions, totalling PLN 1.9 billion in 2019.

In 2019, stand-alone profit before tax of the subsidiary remained at the level close to the previous year. Gross profit of 2019 amounted to PLN 61.3 million compared to PLN 60.7 million a year before.

The highest impact on the generated result was driven by the stronger trading result and growth of net interest income (+5.7%). It is linked, among others, to the higher prepayments in the corporate portfolio by 8% than year ago. Moreover, due to the lower



value of corporate loans, mBank Hipoteczny recorded a decline of loan loss provisions by 2.4%.

### m Faktoring

In 2019, the company was growing dynamically, breaking new business records. Turnover (the value of purchased invoices) increased by 16.3% compared to 2018. It reached historically high level of PLN 22.3 billion. The company was growing at similar pace that the domestic factoring market. Thanks to this the company ranked fifth on the factoring market in Poland, ascending by 1 position compared with 2018. Our market share was 7.9%, according to the Polish Factors Association.

In 2019 mFaktoring acquired nearly 200 new clients and currently serves over 750 customers. All corporate branches actively participated in development of factoring portfolio, adding PLN 1,057 million of new factoring limits. Structure of clients distributed by corporate segments was as follows: K1 – PLN 384 million (9 clients), K2 – PLN 506 million (76 clients), K3 – PLN 168 million (138 clients).

Dynamic business development positively contributed to an improvement of subsidiary's financial results. The profit before tax of mFaktoring amounted to PLN 25.3 million compared to PLN 21.0 million in the previous year.





#### **Investments**

The investment projects run by mBank in 2019 were aimed primarily to support technological development and, in consequence, further organic growth of the bank. We put the greatest emphasis on solutions enhancing customer satisfaction and experience. With PLN 424.1 million spent in 2019 (vs. PLN 363.5 million in 2018) the Group's investment spending was lower than in the past years.

As in the previous years, the biggest portion of mBank's investment spending was allocated to IT (PLN 339.9 million). We further enhanced our mobile banking app by launching new features such as the finance navigator for private banking clients and factoring financing for small and medium-sized enterprises. Other important investments which began in 2019 and will be continued in 2020 include the development of mInvest, an investment app, and mDM Mobile, a brokerage services app that will replace the current one. Our digitalisation efforts focused on, among others, automation of the mortgage process for individuals, improvement of customer interaction in the chat platform, direct invoicing in online banking, and client onboarding via video chat.

We continued to invest in cost optimisation and process efficiency improvement projects. We streamlined our lending processes for businesses and implemented a new centralised onboarding and after-sales service model in Corporate Banking. We increased our operational advantage through internal process automation and procurement platform development.

Furthermore, we carried out a number of projects adjusting the bank's processes and systems to new regulations, such as MiFID (Markets in Financial Instruments Directive), PSD2 (Payment Services Directive), EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the new definition of default (changes affecting default triggers and parameters), and changes in Polish tax regulations (clearing house ICT system (STIR) and split payment).



With PLN 41.2 million, the real property area ranked second in terms of investment spending. In 2019 we continued the One Network project adding two light branches to the existing network (in Warsaw and Katowice).

#### **Investment plans for 2020**

Investments scheduled for 2020 will focus on further digital transformation. We will be optimising and automating customer service and internal processes to strengthen our competitive advantage. The projects will support our digital first approach and omnichannel customer service.

We will further enhance our mobile app in 2020 by offering clients new features and improving the existing ones. Our investment efforts will be aimed at the development of transactional elements, such as the BLIK service, regular payment management, payment assistant, and personal finance manager. We also plan to integrate the app with additional services, such as parking, public transport, and motorway payments.

We will continue to invest in the development of our online banking platform. We plan to launch new transaction navigation, simplify money transfers sent to beneficiaries in Poland and the EU, and adjust the main scenarios to the needs of blind clients.

The new Warsaw headquarters of mBank and mBank Group subsidiaries located in the Mennica Legacy Tower will be one of our most important investments in 2020. The project is planned to be completed in 2021.

We will also continue to optimise our branch network. Two additional branches and four initially scheduled for 2019 will be opened in 2020.

We will also focus on ensuring full compliance of our business with the applicable legal requirements.



# **Environment (E)**



### Management of the environment area

### We consciously manage our environmental impact and try to reduce the negative impact.

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For the first time in mBank's history environmental, social, and governance (ESG) objectives have been made an integral part of the business strategy. Commitment to protect the climate and the environment are among our priorities. We wish to reduce our direct and indirect impact on the environment.

We will promote attitudes that will help stop and reverse negative climate and environmental changes among our clients. We will pursue an active credit policy towards entities seeking financing for environment-friendly industrial, infrastructure, and residential investments:

- project financing, e.g. for renewable energy systems
- issuing sustainable/green bonds and covered bonds

We will implement investment strategies based on ESG analysis and offer products building environmental awareness among our clients.

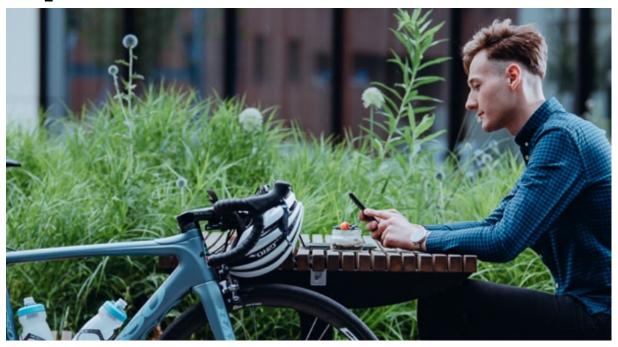
Our objectives include:

- mBank's presence in the WIG-ESG index,
- implementation of the internal credit policy on sectors relevant to the EU climate policy,
- launching incentives for clients encouraging them to shift to renewable energy sources.



We implement objectives related to reducing our impact on the climate mainly through credit policies governing our approach to financing industries which are crucial from the point of view of climate change.

### CO<sub>2</sub> emission



To reduce our direct impact on the climate, we measure and will gradually reduce our total carbon footprint.

We save water and energy, sort waste, and run educational campaigns for employees. We also promote sustainable growth among our partners.

#### **OUR OBJECTIVES INCLUDE:**

- reducing mBank's carbon footprint,
- reducing the consumption of electrical energy and natural gas,
- reducing the environmental footprint of the car fleet,
- saving water, paper, and office supplies in mBank's head offices and branches,
- recycling,
- introducing a supplier selection and cooperation system incorporating ESG aspects.

Direct greenhouse gas emissions (Scope 1): 4,211.39 t CO2e in 2019, 4390.86 t CO2e in 2018\*

<sup>\*</sup> data for 2018 have been updated (compared to the data presented in the mBank Annual Report 2018) with the consumption of gasoline and diesel fuel



Indirect greenhouse gas emissions from the generation of purchased and consumed electrical energy, steam, heat, and cooling (Scope 2): 11,210.61 t CO2e in 2019, 11,943.6 t CO2e in 2018

In 2019 we consumed 33,208.03 MWh of energy from non-renewable sources, compared with 34,428.08 MWh in 2018.

## **Restrictions on coal financing**

We decided to cut financing for the coal power industry and coal mines.

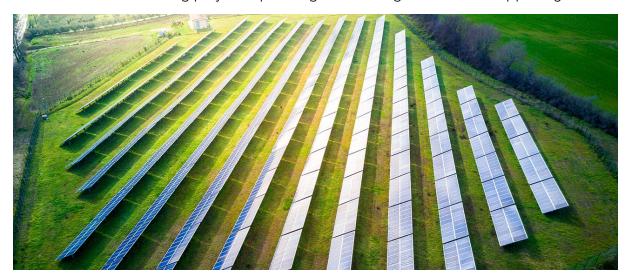
In March 2019 we decided to change the rules of lending to the mining and coal power industries. On 1 April 2019 mBank stopped financing new coal mines and coal-fired power plant units. In addition, we will not enter into relationships with companies in which more than 50% of electrical energy comes from coal (the share will be measured based on the power generation capacity).

### Support for renewable energy sources

In H2 2019 we decided to substantially increase funding for renewable energy projects – from the previous PLN 500 million to PLN 1 billion.

We will finance investments implemented under the auction-based support scheme. In addition, we are interested in projects operating on market terms, e.g. based on power purchase agreements (PPA).

So far, a substantial part of the funding has been granted to the wind power sector, while the remaining portion has been used to support the development of solar energy. We wish to focus on financing projects operating within the government's support system.





The key projects in 2019 included the signing of the biggest solar energy financing contract in Poland worth PLN 90 million. The money was used to start the construction of 34 solar power plants with a capacity of 33 MW covering an area of approx. 70 hectares. The project will generate approx. 35,000 MWh of energy a year, which is enough to power 15,000 homes, and will reduce CO2 emissions by 30,000 tons a year.

Our subsidiary mLeasing has also launched financing for solar panels. The solution is addressed to small and medium-sized enterprises allowing them to cut electricity bills by as much as 70% thanks to green energy. In line with the new regulations enterprises can be prosumers of electrical energy. Importantly, the initial financial contribution of an enterprise to a solar power investment is low, while lease instalments can be classified as tax deductible expenses.

Enterprises using solar panels can largely avoid the consequences of rising energy prices

The new solutions launched by mBank's leasing company allow enterprises to finance photovoltaic systems worth up to PLN 250,000 with a maximum capacity of 50 kW. The maximum lease period is 6 years. The enterprise is required to make a financial contribution of 10% of the value of the investment. The decision to grant financing is issued by mLeasing within one business day.



Environmental awareness among consumers and businesses is rising. Therefore, increasingly more companies are choosing renewable energy sources for ethical or marketing reasons. Our new solutions offer them easy access to green energy. mBank Group is committed to protecting the environment. As part of this commitment, we stopped financing companies from the conventional energy industry and support the development of green energy. Our new leasing solutions reflect this strategy, helping other companies to become greener.

Cezary Raczyński, CEO of mLeasing



# Our approach to client relationships (S)

# **Our clients**

# Our approach to client relationships

Since 2018 we have been designing new products and services and developing the existing ones together with our clients using the design thinking approach. We have been conducting in-depth individual and group research and asking clients to assess the preliminary versions of our solutions.

We set up a group of moderators specialising in design thinking, an approach to creating products and services based on profound understanding of the needs of their end-users, and developed methods for using the design thinking toolkit in our business projects. The group is composed of 16 people from various areas and departments. We created mBank Lab, a space where we hold meetups, creative workshops and interviews with clients. This new approach allows us to deliver solutions which address the needs of clients even better. By the end of 2019 we cooperated with nearly 200 clients.

Client satisfaction is our priority. We conduct regular satisfaction surveys among retail and corporate clients.

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# **Retail clients**

## At mBank we monitor client satisfaction at the following levels:

### Strategic:

■ Four times a year in cooperation with TNS KANTAR, a research firm, we survey the loyalty of our clients using a dedicated metric: relational NPS.

Based on the survey results, we identify the key reasons why clients recommend mBank to their friends and family as well as areas that need development. In 2019 the relational NPS stood at 13.

# **Operational:**

- We defined 13 key touchpoints with the bank for which transactional NPS is monitored. Based on the results, we precisely identify the major needs and expectations of our clients.
- We continuously measure the satisfaction of clients using individual contact channels. We analyse the feedback from clients and swiftly react to their expectations.



# **Corporate clients**

As part of the "mSatysfakcja" ("mSatifcation") project we survey the satisfaction of corporate clients twice every year. In addition, we compare our relational NPS with the industry average.

- The relational survey is addressed to all clients. We ask clients how likely they are to recommend mBank to their business partners (which is measured by the NPS) and how satisfied they are from their relationship with mBank. This is how we identify the key reasons why clients recommend our services and areas that need improvement. In 2019 the NPS was 33 for all corporate clients and 41 for clients who named mBank their first-choice bank (market average: 17; source: Kantar Polska, August 2019). In addition, the proportion of corporate clients satisfied or very satisfied with mBank's services stood at 75%, which is similar to the 2018 figure.
- The transactional survey evaluates specific processes or clients' interactions with the bank. We defined 13 touchpoints for which transactional NPS is measured. Based on the results, we improve products and streamline processes.

The conversations between mBank advisors and representatives of corporate clients held immediately after the survey are the most important element of the NPS programme. The purpose is to obtain more detailed information from clients and find out why they recommend mBank to their business partners or advise them against it.

#### **Access to financial services**

We provide financial services to clients all over the country: nearly one-fifth of all our branches are located in sparsely populated or economically disadvantaged areas. Wherever there is Internet access, clients can access our online banking and app-based mobile banking.

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2019	Number of retail branches:	Number of mKiosks	TOTAL
Total number of points of access to financial services offered by the bank	143	166	309
Number of points of access to financial services located in low-populated1 or economically disadvantaged** areas	36	43	79
Percentage of points of access located in low- populated or economically disadvantaged areas	25%	26%	25,60%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> According to Statistics Poland (GUS) the lowest populated regions in Poland include: Podlaskie, Warmińsko-Mazurskie, Lubuskie, Zachodniopomorskie, Lubelskie, Opolskie and Świętokrzyskie.



<sup>2</sup> According to the Local Data Bank, regions in Poland with the lowest economic activity include: Lubuskie, Opolskie, Podlaskie, Pomorskie, Warmińsko-Mazurskie, Zachodniopomorskie and Świętokrzyskie.

# Principles of lending to the defence sector

When cooperating with the defence sector, mBank takes into account political, social, ethical and environmental issues which may negatively impact its reputation. In principle, we enter into transactions with public entities from the defence sector, i.e. government agencies and state-owned companies.

# Policy on providing services and financing to entities operating in areas that are particularly sensitive in terms of mBank's reputation risk

The policy imposes restrictions on providing services to companies from sectors which are controversial from the social perspective and break the Ten Principles of UN Global Compact.

The restrictions apply to opening accounts for and lending to companies, including mBank's existing clients, that:

- operate based on child labour, forced labour or otherwise grossly abuse human rights,
- are oriented towards economic exploitation of areas of great natural interest,
- threaten the global cultural heritage.

We do not establish business relationships with entities operating in countries covered by UN sanctions.

# "PRZYJACIEL KLIENTA" ("CLIENT'S FRIEND")

The "Client's friend" project is a response to our clients' and employees' willingness to contribute to building mBank. We gather ideas and suggestions about the range of products and services offered by mBank, analyse them to find the most expected changes and design potential solutions together with competent organisational units.

Every client can share their ideas via online banking or any other access channel (mLinia, branches, email, chat) and social media (Facebook, Twitter). To offer ideas, one does not need to identify themselves or even be a client. Having registered an idea, the author receives an automatic thank-you message. In 2019 we introduced an additional thank-you message (push) sent within 48 hours after a client contributes an idea. We analyse every suggestion and inform the authors once their ideas are implemented.

Also our employees can tell us about their ideas, comments and expectations, using a dedicated form available on the intranet. The employees receive individual replies to their suggestions.



In 2019 we analysed over 6,000 ideas proposed by our clients.

#### **MEETINGS WITH SME CLIENTS**

- When designing or modifying our products, services and processes, we tend not to rely on metrics only because we perceive our clients, first and foremost, as living human beings. This is why we organise meetings as part of the "Oko w oko z klientem firmowym" ("Eye to eye with SME clients") programme. Every month we invite one client to share their business story and talk about the challenges they face. It is all the more important because the employees of the bank's head office and business lines do not contact clients on a daily basis, despite being the ones who prepare offers or service procedures. We estimate that approx. 350 employees took part in the meetings in 2019.
- In 2019 we extended the initiative to include also meetings and design thinking workshops with students and pupils and interactions with e-commerce representatives, enterprising women, and the 50+ generation.

# Client data security

To companies operating in the financial industry effective protection of client data and privacy is a prerequisite for credibility. At mBank this area is governed by the Personal Data Security Policy developed in compliance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). It stipulates the principles laid down in the GDPR and the rights of data subjects.

We appointed a personal data officer who can be contacted at: inspektordanychosobowych@mbank.pl. For more information on how mBank protects data of its clients, go to our website.

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#### In 2019:

- 8 complaints about breaching client privacy and losing client data filed by external parties were confirmed by the organisation (all complaints concerned mFinanse)
- 1 complaint was filed by the supervisory authorities (concerning mFinanse)
- 39 cases of client data leaks, theft or loss were identified by the organisation (36 at mBank, 1 at mBank Hipoteczny and 2 at mFinanse)



# Innovation is our middle name

#### The most innovative bank in Poland

Our efforts have been recognised by industry institutions. Banking Awards is a competition for banks from all over the world. In 2019 mBank won the award for the most innovative retail bank in Poland. The jury hailed mBank as a trendsetter in online and mobile banking in Poland. Our mobile app as well the broad range of mobile payment options (Google Pay, Apple Pay, and BLIK) were also appreciated. Moreover, we were recognised for our cooperation with fintechs in developing innovations, including ones addressed to retail clients.

# Mobile app

In 2019 we continued to develop our mobile app. Throughout this time the app was updated 15 times, which shows that we are agile in introducing changes and responding to client expectations. The work on the app was focused mainly on improving its utility a well as communication and sales activities.

Despite numerous challenges connected with Payment Services Directive 2 (PSD2), we introduced a number of improvements making the app even more user-friendly.

- New card details and PIN change option the card details screen has been redesigned, enabling users to quickly find important information and take actions. In addition, users can now change their card PIN in the app.
- Option to add new payees to the address book. When making a transfer to a new payee users can now save the payee's details in the address book for quick future use.
- New look and feel of mKantor, new currencies, currency calculator for card transactions A number of improvements useful to travellers and all those in need of currency exchange. The mKantor service has been enhanced to cover new currencies. At the same time, we redesigned the mKantor screens to make currency transactions even more intuitive to users. We also introduced a currency calculator converting amounts entered by clients in foreign currencies into PLN according to current exchange rates.
- New details in transfer confirmation message Clients can decide to include the following details in the transfer confirmation messages: transaction amount, payee and payer, merchant's name (for card operations).
- Option to partially withdraw funds from a savings goal. Clients are allowed to withdraw a part of their savings without cancelling the savings goal.
- Option to repeat transfers to the Social Security Institution (ZUS) and the Tax
   Office. Clients can repeat payments to ZUS and the Tax Office selected from their



account history. The new repeat option available in the operation details section automatically completes the details of a new transfer using the details of a selected previous transfer to ZUS or the Tax Office.

- **New BLIK screen**. New, easy-to-read BLIK code screen designed in line with comments and suggestions from clients; it also paves the way for new BLIK services to be introduced soon (the "Request a transfer" service was launched in Q1 2020).
- **mFaktoring service**. Enables SME clients to activate a factoring limit, register new invoices and repay debts.
- "Your Assets" screen. A summary of a client's finances.

At the end of 2019 the app had 1,894.7 thousand users, which accounts for more than 70% of active clients. This result makes mBank the leader in Polish banking. On average a client uses the app about 31 times a month. As many as 72.1% of all logins into mBank originate in the app. We sell 43.6% of travel insurance policies and 12.5% of cash loans in the app. Compared with 2018, the value of non-secured loans granted in the app grew by 102.4%.

In March 2019 mBank app won the Mobile Trend Awards competition in the "Banking and Finance" category. At the same time, our app ranked fifth in the Forrester league table ("The Forrester Banking Wave<sup>TM</sup>: European Mobile Apps").

# **Complaints**

## We prevent complaints from arising

We analyse complaints filed with the bank and – together with business experts – develop initiatives to reduce their number. In addition, lessons learnt from complaints are used in the process of designing new products and services.

#### **Complaints from retail clients**

Our objective is to resolve problems communicated by clients in a manner satisfactory to the complaining client during the first contact. For example, if possible, we credit the funds complained about to the client's account while they speak to our consultant. If it is not possible, we spare no effort to resolve the case as quickly as practicable. In 2019 we resolved 59% of complaints within only one business day.

We want our clients to be satisfied with how we handled their problem. The high percentage of complaints resolved in favour of clients (82% in 2019) proves that we are successful in achieving this objective.

Once we resolve a client's complaint, we ask the client to complete an NPS questionnaire and rate how satisfied they are from how we handled the complaint. We use the answers given in the questionnaires to change in the directions expected by clients.



# **Complaints from corporate clients**

Every complaint provides us with valuable information. We use the knowledge from complaints filed by corporate clients to perfect our existing products and services and design new ones.

Corporate clients can file complaints by phone, email, in writing or in person at a bank's branch or via mBank CompanyNet. If they choose mBank CompanyNet, they receive an acknowledgement of their complaint which is sent directly to the unit in charge of handling complaints. Our response is also sent electronically. In 2019 we resolved 80% of complaints in favour of clients. We resolve complaints as quickly as possible within not more than 15 business days. If the case is particularly complex, it takes a maximum of 35 business days. We are committed to minimising the negative impact of the events complained about on our clients.

# **Committed employees**

# **Our employees**

mBank's employees – their knowledge, experience and commitment – are our organisation's capital. They allow us to generate innovations and respond to our clients' needs more and more effectively. We make sure that the rules governing recruitment, remuneration, promotion and HR management are transparent, motivating and empathic.

Employment and HR management are governed in particular by the Work Rules of mBank S.A., the Remuneration Policy of mBank S.A. and the Rules for Awarding Bonuses to mBank S.A. Employees.

The internal regulations are supplemented by procedures pertaining to recruitment, development, and employee evaluation. As far as the characteristics of the conducted business do not require exceptions, the solutions adopted at mBank are subsequently applied in mBank Group subsidiaries. We ensure effective cooperation and communication across mBank Group using the Management by Objectives (MbO) System.

4,841

3,383

8,224

of our employees are women

of our employees are men

total number of employees

# How we ensure commitment

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**DEVELOPMENT FRIDAYS** 



On every first Friday of the month we organise diverse development activities for our employees: workshops, lectures, presentations, meetings, and consultations, during which we present to them development opportunities offered by our organisation and encourage them to adopt a wider perspective as regards increasing their potential. We also present development tools powered by new technologies. At most of these meetings, mBank staff shares their knowledge; however, we also eagerly draw on the know-how of the invited guests. In 2019, 180 meetings and consultations attended by more than 3,100 persons took place as part of the project.

#### LOG IN TO DEVELOPMENT

As part of the "Log in to Development" programme, we give interested employees access to reliable materials supporting individual development. The materials help them broaden their knowledge in areas related to their daily tasks, acquire additional skills (e.g. social skills, such as communication and assertiveness) and encourage personal development (e.g. materials on raising children, well-being, fiction reads). We thus support the work-life balance and create a workplace that is conducive to inquisitiveness, learning and broadening one's horizons.

#### Available materials:

- news and development materials available online on a dedicated website
- over 20,000 online courses and additional materials from LinkedIn Learning
- e-books and audiobooks from the catalogue on the Legimi platform
- archive of publications of Harvard Business Review Polska
- mobile English and German courses eTutor app
- text messages presenting new vocabulary and development content

The goal of the "Log in to Development" programme is to change the perception of remote development tools. We want to convince our employees that systematic, bite-sized learning is more effective. Using the 70/20/10 model, we demonstrate how important it is to experiment with newly gained knowledge and supplement it with hands-on experience..

Dorota Weyna Chief Specialist for employee development

#### DRIVE TO DEVELOPMENT

The goal of the programme is to increase the engagement of the Direct Engagement Department employees, support their development and, most importantly, promote outstanding attitudes. Our aim is to praise exceptional behaviours towards co-workers and clients. As part of the programme, we grant awards in the team category and in five individual categories (client's friend, helping hand, simplifier, digital master, team leader)



# **Incentive system**

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We motivate employees, regardless of their employment type, both under our remuneration policy and by way of non-salary benefits, e.g. by providing them with professional development opportunities. The incentive system plays a key role in acquiring and retaining competent employees, which allows us to build a competitive advantage.

- We support the development of our employees.
- We provide them with training courses and programmes to develop their managerial, sales and communication skills. We make sure that new employees are introduced to their duties in a friendly way.
- New employees, including interns, undergo induction training during which they learn about the values, procedures, products, history and current activities of the bank.
- We promote flexible employment forms, mobile tools and technological solutions making remote work possible.

- We have a comprehensive approach to the remuneration policy. We have a clear and transparent benefit policy. We allow employees to use the benefits which they find interesting. Our offer supports not only health and physical fitness, but also personal development, passions and interests.
- We offer a broad scope of support within the Company Social Benefits Fund.
- We engage employees in social activities and support them in this regard.

We offer employees fair terms and conditions of employment, in every aspect. We offer employees of individual Group subsidiaries a very similar range of benefits, e.g. we cofinance private healthcare and the MultiSport card.





# **Diversity**

We believe that diversity of employees – in terms of age, knowledge, education, interests etc. – constitutes our company's additional asset. The basic elements of the diversity policy have been incorporated in our HR policy for many years. Moreover, elements of the diversity policy are present in various other regulations, procedures and processes.

mBank treats people equally regardless of their sex, age, material status, family background, physical abilities, nationality, country of origin, sexual orientation, and political and religious beliefs. We take into account all factors which can give rise to direct or indirect discrimination. We offer a workplace that helps the staff make use of and develop their unique features and skills, e.g. through participation in training activities and clubs that bring together people with similar interests. Diversity management contributes to the creation of an organisational culture based on tolerance, where everyone is offered career development opportunities.

We strive to ensure equal participation of both sexes in external and internal recruitment and when planning succession in key positions. We observe the equal treatment principle when hiring new employees. Our recruitment process involves a selection method that ensures objective assessment of candidates' skills. Each employee of the bank can be promoted to a managerial position if they have a relevant professional track record. Evaluation of job positions is based on objective criteria, which prevents discrimination. We apply the Policy for the Assessment of Qualifications (Suitability) of Members of the Supervisory Body, Management Body and Key Function Holders at mBank S.A. (Suitability Policy) with respect to the Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

The Suitability Policy lays down criteria for appointing persons having appropriate knowledge, skills, experience, qualifications and reputation to key positions. The policy includes a separate chapter dedicated to the diversity policy. mBank takes into account diversity when selecting Members of the Management Board and proposing candidates for Members of the Supervisory Board:

#### With respect to the Management Board

When deciding on the composition of the Management Board, the Supervisory Board makes every effort to ensure its diversity, especially in terms of age, education, professional experience and participation of women.

# With respect to the Supervisory Board

• The age structure of the Supervisory Board should be diverse. Moreover, we aim at ensuring that its members have diverse educational background and professional experience. We also want to ensure appropriate participation of women.

At the end of 2019, there were two women among ten Supervisory Board Members.



Supervisory Board of mBank

	31 Dec 2016		31 Dec 2017		31 Dec 2018		31 Dec 2019	
	number of members	%	number of members	%	number of members	%	number of members	%
Woman	2	17%	2	17%	2	17%	2	20%
Men	10	83%	10	83%	10	83%	8	80%
Total	12	100%	12	100%	12	100%	10	100%

There is one woman among seven Management Board Members.

### Management Board of mBank

	31 Dec 2016		31 Dec 2017		31 Dec 2018		31 Dec 2019	
	number of members	%	number of members	%	number of members	%	number of members	%
Woman	1	14%	1	14%	1	14%	1	14%
Men	6	86%	6	86%	6	86%	6	86%
Total	7	100%	7	100%	7	100%	7	100%

By 2028, women will account for min. 30% of the total composition of the Management Board and the Supervisory Board. It is recommended that at all times, at least one woman should sit on the Management Board.

mBank's managers graduated from different fields of study in Poland and abroad, including economics, technology, IT, law, philology. The management consists of people with diverse experience in Polish, European and American financial and non-financial institutions. The managers are aware of how important diversity is to the workplace and are trained in how to identify differences and make the most of them. The Success Insights method is used to identify employees' abilities and skills. The method helps to identify personality traits that can be used at work.

In January 2018 we signed the Diversity Charter, an international initiative for social cohesion and equality launched in Poland by the Responsible Business Forum. As signatories of the Charter, we have undertaken to support diversity and counteract workplace discrimination.

#### MBANK IS A WOMAN

"mBank Is a Woman" is a series of seminars launched in 2008, addressed to women being owners of enterprises and managers. Each seminar consists of a professional part hosted by mBank's experts and representatives of leading companies, a lifestyle part and a meeting with a successful woman (so far the seminars' special guests were, among others, dr Irena Eris, Teresa Rosati, Jolanta Kwaśniewska, Beata Tyszkiewicz, Katarzyna Grochola, Krystyna Janda, Beata Pawlikowska, Urszula Dudziak, Maria Czubaszek, Ewa Kasprzyk). The topics of the meetings and the choice of special guests are determined by the participants. The programme often includes panels on work-life



balance. The project is aimed at inspiring, educating and supporting woman entrepreneurs. It also helps mBank deepen its relationships with clients.

In 2019, four events took place in Bielsko-Biała, Olsztyn, Szczecin and Wrocław as part of the series, gathering approximately 320 women.

## **Counteracting workplace harassment**

We make every effort to create a workplace free from harassment and other forms of violence, both on the part of managers and other employees.

mBank's Anti-Harassment Policy emphasises the following issues:

- We do not accept workplace harassment or any other forms of violence.
- Our employees are obliged to refrain from any actions and behaviours that fit the definition of workplace harassment or bear the hallmarks of other forms of violence.
- Any person who creates situations that encourage workplace harassment or engages in it violates the basic employee duties. In such a situation mBank as the employer may impose sanctions which are stipulated in the labour law or in mBank's internal work rules.

The policy describes criteria of workplace harassment and the complaint process (anonymous, if preferred) for employees who believe to have fallen victim to workplace harassment. The complaints are analysed by the Anti-Harassment Committee. It is composed of directors of the following departments or persons designated by them: Employee and Organisation Culture Development, Compliance Department, Legal Department, Communication and Marketing Strategy Department, and the Chief Ethics Officer of mBank. Persons whose legal or actual relationship with the employee making a complaint could affect the objectivity and impartiality of the Committee are excluded from its work. If an employee does not feel up to reporting workplace harassment formally and under their own name, they can use mSygnał.

In 2019, the Committee received and handled five reports (including one report filed at the end of December 2018). One case of workplace harassment was confirmed and relevant steps were taken in this regard.

In 2018-2019 we trained a total of 280 managers in counteracting workplace harassment (100 managers were trained in 2019 alone). In 2020 we plan to launch e-learning training for all employees and workshops for the remaining managers.

# Ergonomics and security at the workplace

At mBank, occupational health and safety management starts with a proper assessment of occupational risk. It is performed by occupational health and safety specialists in consultation with the bank's employees. Every year, we analyse work accidents and update the risk analysis.



# Occupational health and safety

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We cannot allow our employees to be exposed to any health and safety hazards, which is why we implemented a comprehensive occupational health and safety management system covering the entire mBank Group. It is based on general provisions (Labour Code and regulations) and functions on the basis of the following rules:

- Involvement of the management and all the employees in shaping and implementing the occupational health and safety policy.
- Planning activities aimed at implementing the adopted occupational health and safety policy. Meetings of the Occupational Health and Safety Committee take place once a quarter.
- Creating conditions for implementing action plans: ensuring the budget for specific goals, identification of hazards and occupational risk assessment.
- Monitoring the implementation of plans and system operation and applying corrective and preventive measures, including: monitoring the occupational health and safety conditions and analysing reasons for accidents at work.
- Optimising the occupational health and safety management system through periodical reviews and checks of the company's branches by an occupational health and safety specialist.
- Induction and periodical training in occupational health and safety, during which employees are informed about the possibility of refraining from work if their health or life is threatened.

On our intranet we added a tab dedicated to occupational health and safety. It contains contact data of specialists to whom we can report accidents or potential accidents.

# OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY AUDITS

We conduct an annual audit of our branches in terms of occupational health and safety. We inspect them with regards to safety and office work ergonomics, we check buildings, rooms, workstations and machines. Based on the acquired knowledge, we eliminate the identified hazards, deficiencies and irregularities in individual buildings. In 2019 we audited ca. 200 branches.



# **Remuneration principles**

The remuneration principles are set forth in the Remuneration Policy of mBank S.A. The Policy was introduced, among others, in order to build high commitment of employees by providing them with a remuneration package that is adequate to the market and the input of work, retain top employees in the organisation and attract talented people through the internship and apprenticeship programmes.

The Policy also stipulates the principles guaranteeing the protection of rights and interests of bank clients and preventing conflicts of interest. The Management Board is responsible for the development, implementation and observance of the Policy. The Supervisory Board approves the document, consulting it with the Remuneration Committee, if in doubt. Employees holding managerial positions are also obliged to follow the Remuneration Policy for Employees Having a Material Impact on the Risk Profile of mBank S.A.

In addition to the Remuneration Policy, mBank applies the Remuneration Rules of mBank S.A. and the Rules for Awarding Bonuses to mBank S.A. Employees.

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Ratio of basic salary of women to men (mBank)	2019	2018	
senior management	77%	86%	
middle management	82%	82%	
other employees	75%	74%	
Ratio of remuneration of women	2019	2018	
to men (mBank)	2019	2016	
senior management	74%	86%	
middle management	79%	78%	
other employees	74%	72%	

The presented structure of earnings is affected mainly by the fact that more women hold operational positions, while most managers are men. Initiatives taken at the bank aim at reducing the gender pay gap and promoting women. The solutions introduced should eliminate, in the long term, the gap between average remuneration of women and men. Over the last years we have observed a significant increase in the number of women in managerial positions. The gender gap has been reduced also in terms of senior management.



# Supporting society

# Solutions for persons with disabilities



At mBank each client with a disability can count on customer service providing for their special needs. Each year we launch new initiatives to improve access of persons with disabilities to financial services.

In 2019 we implemented the following initiatives for the benefit of persons with disabilities:

- We introduced the possibility of ordering documents in forms accessible to persons with special needs, in line with the amended Banking Law Act.
- We cooperated with the Integration Foundation (Fundacja Integracja). Sixty mBank employees took part in workshops organised by the Foundation to share the knowledge gained with their co-workers.
- Clients who consented to the processing of data concerning their disability are automatically redirected by the call centre to a qualified consultant. Clients with hearing disabilities are offered the option of video calls in the Polish Sign Language.
- Clients can give their consent for the processing of data concerning their disability when contacting the call centre and, in special cases, when using our chat or video chat.
- We continued our co-operation with the Polish Association of the Deaf, which provides sign language interpreting for clients and consultants at branches and via video chat. We also have solutions for deaf clients who do not know the Polish Sign Language. Once such clients consent to processing data concerning their disability, they may file their instructions via chat.
- We supported partially and fully deaf youth from Special Education Centre No. 1 in Łódź.



# **mBank Foundation**

mBank Foundation implements programmes supporting mathematics education. The "m jak matematyka" ("M for maths") strategy sets the foundation's goals until 2020 and addresses the ever growing gap in science education.



# PLN 3 million

Spent on supporting mathematics education in Poland (the cost of performing the foundation's statutory tasks)

In 2019, we pursued our mission, among others, through:

- subsidising development projects in the area of mathematics education, such as the "mPotęga" ("mPower") grant programme, the competition for the best maths thesis called "Krok w przyszłość" ("Step towards the Future") and the "Mistrzowie matematyki" ("Masters of Mathematics") scholarships;
- competition for secondary schools called "Wielcy polscy matematycy znani i nieznani" ("Great Polish mathematicians: know and unknown") organised to mark the Year of Mathematics;
- book entitled "Child's Play Maths";
- partnering with and financially supporting external initiatives promoting maths education: "Matematyka się liczy" ("Mathematics Counts") and "Festiwal Matematyki" ("Festival of Mathematics"), organised together with the "Gazeta Wyborcza"



We strongly believe that mathematics provides the foundation for logical thinking and is vital to understanding the world around us. Mastering it helps us take informed financial decisions or follow the academic path in scientific subjects, and thus contributes to economic growth and professional success.

# "mPower" grant programme, the sixth edition

"mPower" is a grant programme aimed at popularising mathematics among young people by showing them that mathematics is very useful in everyday life. We also want to encourage teachers, parents and maths enthusiasts to break the routine and go off the beaten track. In 2019, 111 projects from all around Poland received grants for creative maths education. In total, mFoundation earmarked almost PLN 665,000 for the grants.

Since the launch of the programme in 2014, over 1 million Polish students have taken advantage of the grant-funded projects. Most grants are awarded to schools in small



towns located across the country. This way, we contribute to creating equal opportunities for schoolchildren from small towns.

For more information on the programme go to mPower website.

### **Competition marking the Jubilee Year of Mathematics**

The Polish Senate designated 2019 as the Year of Mathematics to mark the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Polish Mathematical Society. To celebrate the jubilee, mFoundation announced a competition entitled "Known and unknown: great Polish mathematicians". Its goal was to popularise the achievements of Polish scientists among teenagers.

The competition encouraged secondary school students to cooperate with maths and history teachers. The task was to prepare a work, in any technique, about the life and scientific accomplishments of mathematicians from Poland's five largest scientific centres. The participants could draw inspiration from articles published in "Gazeta Wyborcza" daily and "Ale Historia!" weekly.

146 entries were sumitted in the competition, out of which the jury selected 18. Their authors received grants ranging from PLN 3,000 to PLN 6,000. 9th Klementyna Hoffmanowa High School in Warsaw won the Grand Prix and PLN 10,000.

For more information on the competition go to programmes website.

## "CHILD'S PLAY MATHS" - MFOUNDATION'S NEW BOOK



The book is dedicated to parents of children aged 0-6. It is neither a guide nor a methodological textbook. Rather, it is a collection of inspiring games that parents can play with their children to familiarise them with maths from an early age. The activities are divided by age groups and adjusted to subsequent child development stages.

The book premiered at the 6th Mathematics Festival in November 2019. The participants had a chance to obtain a book (we handed out a total of 500 copies) and talk to the authors.

In Q1 2020, we made the book available in 312 mBank retail banking branches and mKiosks. Those interested in the book could order it with delivery to a selected mBank branch.



# Let's play with WOŚP!

In 2019 mBank again provided its banking services to the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity (WOŚP). We serviced the 27th Grand Finale of WOŚP, which took place on January 13, 2019, as well as financial operations the foundation made throughout the year.

During the 27th Grand Finale of WOŚP mBank was responsible for:

- organising cash transportation from 1,700 locations across Poland, as well as counting and depositing cash in the Foundation's bank account,
- delivering 700 terminals to WOŚP volunteers and mBank branches, and accepting and calculating donations made via terminals
- equipping WOŚP collection centres with coin counters,
- establishing an mBank outlet in the main collection centre nearby the Palace of Culture and Science in Warsaw, and training over forty persons servicing the outlet.

Over 1000 mBank employees from various areas were involved in the above initiatives.



Apart from servicing WOŚP, we donated PLN 3.7 million to the foundation: PLN 2 million as part of the campaign "100 tys. zł za 100 wpłat" ("PLN 100,000 for 100 donations") and PLN 1.7 million from the auction of over 40 works of art from mBank's collection.

Every day starting from 25 December 2018 until the 27th Grand Finale of WOŚP, mBank donated additional PLN 100,000 for every 100 donations made daily by our clients. Since mBank clients willingly participated in the campaign, we donated PLN 2 million in total. During the 27th Grand Finale of WOŚP, the first auction of works of art for the benefit of WOŚP took place in DESA Unicum auction house. We donated over forty works of art from our collection built over many years. The entire amount from the auction (PLN 1.7 million) was donated to the purchase of state-of-the-art medical



equipment for specialist pediatric hospitals.

On a day-to-day basis, we provide our services to the foundation. Thanks to individually negotiated terms and conditions, the foundation can use the collected funds with maximum effectiveness.

#### POL'AND'ROCK FESTIVAL

In 2019 mBank again acted as a strategic partner for the Pol'and'Rock music festival (formerly known as Woodstock Festival Poland), organised in Kostrzyn nad Odrą by WOŚP as a way of saying thank you to all volunteers and benefactors of the charitable drive.

An important element of the festival is the Academy of Finest of Arts, which fell under the patronage of mBank. mBank employees helped in its organisation as Peace Patrol volunteers. The Academy is a place of meetings, discussions, workshops, educational and social activity inspired and organised by several dozen NGOs.

We also prepared a surprise for the festival goers: special bank accounts for new clients with a PLN 140 bonus for being an active account holder, and 10,000 debit cards featuring the festival's logo designed by Jurek Owsiak. The card was available to both existing and new clients.





# Governance (G)

# **Corporate governance**

# **Application of corporate governance principles**

The general corporate governance principles applicable at mBank, i.e. regulations and procedures determining the guidelines regarding the bank's authorities' actions, in particular towards stakeholders, arise from statutory regulations, in particular from the Code of Commercial Companies and Partnerships and the Banking Law Act, the provisions regulating the operation of the capital market and the rules laid down in the following documents: "Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies 2016", "Principles of Corporate Governance for Supervised Institutions" issued by the Polish Financial Supervision Authority on July 22, 2014 and the "Code of Banking Ethics" issued by the Polish Bank Association.

In 2019, we applied the corporate governance principles contained in the "Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies 2016", issued by the Warsaw Stock Exchange by way of Resolution No. 26/1413/2015 of the Supervisory Board of Giełda Papierów Wartościowych w Warszawie S.A. (the Warsaw Stock Exchange) dated October 13, 2015.

The text of the "Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies 2016" is available on the website of the Warsaw Stock Exchange, in the section dedicated to the corporate governance of listed companies.

The "Principles of Corporate Governance for Supervised Institutions" are available on the website of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority.



# **Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies 2016**

From among the detailed principles of the "Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies 2016", we do not apply principle no. VI.Z.2., which reads as follows: "To tie the remuneration of members of the management board and key managers to the company's long-term business and financial goals, the period between the allocation of options or other instruments linked to the company's shares under the incentive scheme and their exercisability should be no less than two years".

The principles for granting variable components of remuneration at mBank are compliant with the Regulation of the Minister of Development and Finance of March 6, 2017, on the Risk Management System, the Internal Control System, the Remuneration Policy as well as the Detailed Method for Banks' Internal Capital Assessment (Journal of Laws of 2017, item 637) and EBA's Guidelines on sound remuneration policies (EBA/GL/2015/22) of June 27, 2016, which do not provide for the premise indicated in item VI.Z.2 of the Best Practice.

Moreover, from among all recommendations specified in the "Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies 2016", we do not apply the following recommendations:

- items 2 and 3 of recommendation IV.R.2, which refer to conducting a General Meeting with the use of means of electronic communication. Item 2 concerns ensuring two-way communication in real time during the General Meeting allowing shareholders to speak from a different location. Item 3 is related to exercising the voting right in person or by proxy during the General Meeting. For many years, we have broadcast General Meetings in real time, however, without the possibility to engage in two-way online communication by allowing shareholders to speak during the General Meeting from a different location. The Bank's By-laws and the Standing Rules of the General Meeting do not provide for the possibility to actively participate in General Meetings with the use of means of electronic communication. Moreover, in the opinion of the Management Board of mBank, the organisation of General Meetings with the use of means of electronic communication involves additional legal, organisational and technical risks.
- recommendation VI.R.3. concerning the remuneration committee. The recommendation stipulates, among others, that it is required that at least the majority of the committee members be independent. At mBank, the Remuneration Committee of the Supervisory Board as at the end of 2019 was composed of three members, including one independent member. Two members do not meet the criterion of independence. Despite changes in the composition of the Remuneration Committee, independent members did not represent a majority at any point throughout the year.



# **Principles of Corporate Governance for Supervised Institutions**

The "Principles of Corporate Governance for Supervised Institutions" cover relations with shareholders and clients, issues relating to the organisational structure, rules for ensuring an effective and efficient internal control system, as well as the risks of business activities.

We have adopted the "Principles of Corporate Governance for Supervised Institutions", excluding the principles listed in Article 8 (4) and in Article 16 (1).

The principle in Article 8 (4), which reads as follows: "A supervised institution, when justified by the number of shareholders, should strive for facilitating the participation of all shareholders in the meeting of the General Meeting of the supervised institution, among others, through ensuring the possibility of electronic active participation in the meetings of the General Meeting", is similar to recommendation IV.R.2 of the "Best Practice for WSE Listed Companies 2016". As a large part of our shareholders are represented at General Meetings, with a view to mitigating the risk inherent in active participation in General Meetings with the use of means of electronic communication, we have decided that departure from the rule defined in Article 8 (4) is justified.

Likewise, we do not apply the rule defined in Article 16 (1), which reads as follows: "It is proper that meetings of a management body shall be held in Polish. In case of need, necessary assistance of an interpreter should be ensured."

The departure derives from the fact that all Members of the Management Board speak fluent English. Communication without an interpreter is more effective as discussions and decisions can be made without the participation of a third party (interpreter). In some circumstances, the participation of an interpreter could make discussions at Management Board meetings more difficult or prolonged due to the complex nature of issues under discussion as well as the specialised language. Furthermore, given that Management Board meetings review information that constitutes the company's secret, it is legitimate to limit to the bare minimum the participation of non-members of the Management Board in its meetings. At the same time, most of the Management Board Members speak Polish, which means that the bank can be represented whenever participation of Management Board Members is required including communication in Polish without an interpreter. Minutes of Management Board meetings, as well as resolutions of mBank's Management Board, are prepared in two language versions, ensuring compliance with the provisions of Article 16 (2) of the "Principles of Corporate Governance for Supervised Institutions".

The stand of shareholders as regards the "Principles of Corporate Governance for Supervised Institutions" was presented in resolution no. 31 of the 28th Annual General Meeting of mBank S.A. of March 30, 2015.

In the above resolution, the shareholders undertook:

- to participate in the performance of the statutory objectives of mBank, ensuring security of its operations and with its interest in mind;
- not to violate the powers of other statutory bodies of mBank;



- to immediately solve any potential conflicts between shareholders to prevent infringing the interest of mBank and its clients;
- not to make decisions resulting in transferring assets from mBank to other entities, and in acquisition or alienation of or in conclusion of other transactions leading to mBank disposing of its assets under conditions other than market conditions or posing a threat to the security or interest of mBank; the individual rights will be granted to the given shareholder or shareholders when justified on the grounds of achieving significant objectives of mBank and not causing hindrance to proper functioning of the bodies of mBank or discrimination against other shareholders and reflected in the By-Laws of mBank;
- to provide, if needed, additional capital or grant financial support to the bank to the extent to which it is possible and compliant with authorisations, whereas it will only take place after the analysis of the entirety of reasons which led to such a necessity; the shareholders will take into consideration the possibility of providing support from the point of view of their financial situation, provisions of law and supervisory regulations the shareholders are bound to respect and considering the best interest of mBank and its clients;
- to make decisions with regard to dividend payment, depending on the need for maintaining an appropriate level of equity and on the achievement of strategic objectives of mBank and to take into consideration general and individual recommendations issued by the supervisory authorities; and
- to implement the recommendations of the PFSA regarding the election of Members of the Supervisory Board of the bank.

#### **Code of Banking Ethics**

Apart from the corporate governance principles, we have for many years complied with the best banking industry practices, developed by the Polish Bank Association (ZBP). The currently applicable version of the "Code of Banking Ethics" was approved at the 25th General Meeting of the Polish Bank Association held on April 18, 2013. The "Code of Banking Ethics" is a set of principles referring to banks, their employees and persons acting as intermediaries in banking activities. The "Code of Banking Ethics" includes two parts: the "Code of Best Banking Practice" and the "Code of Employee Ethics". The "Code of Banking Ethics" is available on the website of the Polish Bank Association.

# Model of values and behaviours of mBank employees and the rules on conduct towards business partners

Our employees apply the Code of Conduct, which establishes the standards applicable in interactions between the bank's employees and the bank's business partners. This is meant to contribute to mutual trust. The guidelines related to behaviour include, among others, being guided by mBank's values, creating a sustainable corporate culture, corporate social responsibility, pursuing a responsible credit policy, treating relationships with clients in a responsible way, honesty in business relationships, applying established



standards in relationships with clients and in internal relationships, avoiding conflicts of interest, responsible use of social media and simplifying communication.

It is also worth mentioning that we have defined behaviours which are most important from the perspective of the organisation and which facilitate achieving individual and team results and contribute to customer satisfaction. mBank's model of values and behaviours, which sets mBank's work standard, is based on the following organisational values: "client-centricity", "looking ahead", "simplifying".

# Information policy

We pursue a transparent, open, and reliable information policy, which builds mutual trust and loyalty of investors. When implementing the information policy, we comply with requirements arising from information confidentiality and security laws, which we must abide by as a public company and a supervised institution. Our high ratings and awards for widely understood corporate governance and investor relations bespeak transparency and effectiveness of our information policy. In May 2019, we again won a distinction of the Institute of Accountancy and Taxes and *Gazeta Giełdy Parkiet* daily in the category "Transparent WIG20 Company of the Year." In June 2019, we won the Złota Strona Emitenta (Issuer's Golden Website) contest organised by the Polish Association of Listed Companies in the category "Leader of Online Communication" for large companies (listed companies included in WIG20 and mWIG40).

The main means we apply in our information policy with regard to investor relations include:

- current and periodic reports;
- meetings, tele- and video-conferences of representatives of the Management Board and the Analysis and Investor Relations Department with investors and analysts, both in Poland and abroad;
- quarterly presentations of financial results for investors and analysts provided directly and through interactive webcasts and teleconferences;
- an ongoing contact by phone or e-mail with analysts and investors, including sending Newsletters on a monthly basis and, if necessary, other informational materials;
- participation of our representatives in domestic and foreign investor conferences and road-shows in selected European countries and in the United States of America;
- the company's website with a comprehensive investor relations section where we published information on, among others, our shareholders, the composition of the Management Board and Supervisory Board, General Meetings (including video recordings of General Meetings), ratings, the Euro Medium Term Note Programme, price of mBank's shares on the WSE, analysts' recommendations, the consensus on mBank Group's expected performance and the target share price. On our website, there are annual, periodical and current reports and presentations, including presentations of the results of the Group for equity analysts and investors as well as presentations for investors interested in the bank's debt securities, online versions of



integrated annual reports enabling interactive access to the audited financial data, and an Investor's Calendar.

Open communication with shareholders during the General Meetings manifests itself, among others, in the following aspects:

- providing stakeholders with answers and explanations by the members of the bank's governing bodies;
- broadcasting the General Meeting online;
- participation of media representatives in the General Meeting.

# Internal control and risk management systems with regard to the process of preparing financial statements of mBank

mBank is equipped with an internal control system which supports bank management by ensuring efficiency and effectiveness of the bank's operations, reliability of financial reporting, compliance with risk management rules of the bank, as well as compliance of the bank's operation with the law, internal regulations and market standards.

The internal control system encompasses the following:

- control function whose task is to ensure observance of control mechanisms concerning in particular risk management at the bank and which covers positions, groups of people and organisational units responsible for performance of tasks assigned to the function;
- compliance unit (Compliance Department), whose task is to identify, asses, control
  and monitor the risk of non-compliance of the bank's activities with the law, internal
  regulations and market standards and report in this respect;
- independent internal audit unit (Internal Audit Department), whose task is to examine and assess, impartially and objectively, the adequacy and effectiveness of the risk management system and the internal control system, excluding the internal audit unit.

The control function is a part of the internal control system comprised of all control mechanisms in processes running in the bank, independent monitoring of the application of such control mechanisms and reporting on the issue.

# The control function is based on the following principles:

- guaranteeing access to important, real, up-to-date and complete information by decision makers;
- organising and maintaining adequate IT systems that ensure proper storage and processing of data, facilitate the evaluation and monitoring of different risk categories and generation of information useful in decision-making process;
- determining the information circulation rules in order to ensure that relevant information is submitted to competent persons.



The process of preparing financial data for reporting is automated and based on the accounting data of the bank. Preparation of data in source systems is subject to formalised operational and acceptance procedures. Creating a collection of accounting balances on the basis of the system of general ledgers of the bank takes place within a process covering respective internal mechanisms and controls. The mechanisms consist, among others, in verification and reconciliation of reporting data with books of accounts, sub-ledger accounts, and other documents on the basis of which financial statements are drawn up, as well as with the applicable legal provisions pertaining to accounting principles and the preparation of financial statements. Manual adjustments are subject to special controls. We continuously monitor changes in the law and external regulations related to the preparation of financial statements, update internal regulations on an ongoing basis and adjust our IT systems where necessary.

We have implemented mechanisms which effectively ensure the security of IT systems in the process of monitoring the operational risk which occurs in the preparation of financial statements in the bank. We have in place a business continuity plan which covers also the IT systems used in the process of preparing financial statements.

Financial statements of mBank and the Group are prepared by the Financial Reporting Department. We draw up consolidated financial statements based on data submitted by Group subsidiaries. The Financial Reporting Department monitors the reporting packages prepared by the subsidiaries in terms of their correctness, completeness and coherence of data.

The Accounting Department controls the coherence and completeness of the bank's books of accounts and manages the model chart of accounts. Both Departments report to the Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Financial Officer.

Financial statements are submitted to the Management Board of mBank for verification. The Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board receives quarterly financial statements before they are published. After consultations with the bank's external auditor and the Members of the Management Board of the bank, the Audit Committee recommends whether the Supervisory Board should approve or reject annual financial statements.

The annual and semi-annual financial statements of mBank are respectively subject to an independent audit or review by a statutory auditor. The selection of the statutory auditor of the bank requires a resolution of the General Meeting. The Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board issues an opinion on the selection of the statutory auditor. In the subsidiaries, supervisory boards decide on the selection of the statutory auditor.

The procedures of co-operation of mBank and the external auditor ensure that all the important issues related to the recognition of economic events in the books and financial statements are being consulted on an on-going basis.

The aspiration to ensure the highest standards of financial statements is reflected in the high quality of reporting. In "The Best Annual Report 2018" contest organised by the Institute of Accountancy and Taxes (IRiP), the results of which were annual report in the October 2019, we won the title "The Best of the Best" for the best annual report in the



category of financial institutions for the seventh time in a row. Moreover, we also won a distinction for the best statement on application of corporate governance principles, which was awarded for the first time in 2019.

# Information on the entity authorised to audit financial statements

We abide by the principle regarding the rotation of statutory auditors. On April 12, 2018, the 31st Annual General Meeting of mBank selected Ernst & Young Audyt Polska spółka z ograniczoną odpowiedzialnością spółka komandytowa as the auditor to review the financial statements of mBank S.A. and the consolidated financial statements of mBank S.A. Group for the years 2018-2019. Entity authorized to audit financial statements for 2016 and 2017 with which mBank S.A. concluded a contract, was PricewaterhauseCoopers Sp. z o.o.

The agreement on auditing the financial statements of mBank S.A. and the consolidated financial statements of mBank S.A. Group was concluded on June 19, 2018.

The total gross amount of remuneration paid to Ernst & Young Audyt Polska spółka z ograniczoną odpowiedzialnością spółka komandytowa related to the audit and review of stand-alone financial statements and consolidated financial statements of mBank S.A. was PLN 2,785 thousand in 2019.

The total amount of remaining gross remuneration paid to Ernst & Young Audyt Polska spółka z ograniczoną odpowiedzialnością spółka komandytowa in respect of other services for mBank S.A. was PLN 754 thousand in 2019.

# Auditor's services other that the audit of yearly financial statements

The list of services other than the audit of yearly financial statements, rendered to mBank S.A. Group by Ernst & Young Audyt Polska spółka z ograniczoną odpowiedzialnością sp. k. in 2019, is presented below.

- Review of the standalone interim financial statements of mBank S.A. and the consolidated interim financial statements of mBank S.A. Group as at and for the 6-month period ended June 30, 2019.
- 2. Review of the consolidation package of mBank S.A. for Commerzbank AG as at and for the 3-month period ended March 31, 2019, 6-month period ended June 30, 2019 and 9-month period ended September 30, 2019.
- 3. Audit of the consolidation package of mBank S.A. for Commerzbank AG as at and for the year ended December 31, 2019.
- 4. Verification of the disclosure document regarding the capital adequacy and variable components of renumeration of mBank S.A. Group as at June 30, 2019 and December 31, 2019.
- 5. Assessment of compliance with the requirements for safekeeping assets of mBank S.A. clients for 2019.



- 6. Services related to the verification of the prospectus for mBank S.A.
- 7. Services related to the verification of the prospectus for mBank Hipoteczny S.A.
- 8. Review of the interim financial statements of 2 subsidiaries as at and for the 6-month period ended June 30, 2019.
- 9. Audit of the consolidation package of 1 subsidiary for mBank S.A. as at and for the year ended December 31, 2019.
- 10. Specific scope audit of the consolidation package of 1 subsidiary and review of consolidation packages of 2 subsidiaries for mBank S.A. as at and for the year ended December 31, 2019.
- 11. Review of the consolidation packages of 3 subsidiaries for mBank S.A. as at and for the 6-month period ended June 30, 2019.
- 12. Specific scope audit of the consolidation package of 1 subsidiary and review of consolidation packages of 2 subsidiaries for Commerzbank AG as at and for the year ended December 31, 2019.



# Significant block of shares

mBank's share capital amounts to PLN 169,401,468 and is divided into 42,350,367 shares with a nominal value of PLN 4 each, including 42,338,367 ordinary bearer shares and 12,000 ordinary registered shares. Each share carries the right to one vote during the Annual General Meeting of the bank.

In 2019, 13,385 ordinary bearer shares were admitted to trading and mBank's registered share capital grew by PLN 53,540.



Commerzbank AG is our majority shareholder. As at December 31, 2019, Commerzbank held directly 29,352,897 shares of mBank, which accounted for 69.31% of the share capital and votes at the General Meeting.

Shares accounting for 30.69% of mBank shares were in free float. These shares are held by institutional investors, in particular Polish pension funds and Polish and foreign investment funds, as well as individual investors. Nationale-Nederlanden Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny holds the largest stake.

In accordance with the lists of shares of WSE-listed companies held in funds' portfolios as at the end of 2019, published by open-end pension funds, Nationale-Nederlanden Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny held 4.7% of mBank shares. Furthermore, AVIVA Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny AVIVA BZ WBK held 4.1% of mBank shares, and Otwarty Fundusz Emerytalny PZU – 4.0%.

	Shareholder	Number of shares  as at the end of 2019	% share in the number of shares and votes	
1.	Commerzbank AG	29,352,897	69.31%	

Pursuant to the By-laws of mBank, each share gives the right to one vote at the General Meeting. There are no preferred shares. The control rights of Commerzbank AG as the parent entity of mBank are a result of the number of shares held, their percentage share in the equity, and the number of votes at the General Meeting of mBank.

The By-laws of mBank do not impose any limitations on the exercise of the voting right. There are no provisions which would separate the equity rights attached to securities from the holding of securities. Furthermore, there are no limitations on the transfer of the property right to securities issued by the bank.

## Information on the majority shareholder

Our majority shareholder, Commerzbank AG, is a leading German bank with a history dating back to 1870. It provides services to individuals and corporate customers.

Commerzbank holds branches and offices in almost 50 countries. With approximately 800 branches going forward, Commerzbank has one of the densest branch networks in Germany. Commerzbank serves more than 11 million private and small business customers nationwide and over 70,000 corporate clients, multinationals, financial service providers, and institutional clients worldwide. Commerzbank transacts approximately 30% of Germany's foreign trade and is the market leader in German corporate banking. The bank offers its sector expertise to its corporate clients in Germany and abroad and is a leading provider of capital market products.

Commerzbank Group is composed of two business segments: Private and Small Business Customers (Privat- und Unternehmerkunden) and Corporate Clients (Firmenkunden). In 2019, Commerzbank generated gross revenues of EUR 8.6 billion, while the headcount amounted to approximately 48,500.



The Commerzbank 5.0 Strategy adopted by the Board of Managing Directors and Supervisory Board of Commerzbank in September 2019 provides for the disposal of its majority stake in mBank.

### Principles of appointing and dismissing Management Board Members

Pursuant to the By-laws of mBank, the Management Board is composed of at least three Members appointed for a joint term of five years.

At least half of the Members of the Management Board, including the President of the Management Board, must hold Polish citizenship, be habitually resident in Poland, speak Polish, and have experience on the Polish market which can be used while managing the bank.

The President of the Management Board, the Vice-Presidents of the Management Board and other Members of the Management Board are appointed and dismissed by the Supervisory Board, which acts pursuant to the provisions of the Banking Law and considers whether they have the relevant qualifications for the assigned functions. The Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA) approves two Members of the Management Board of the bank: the President of the Management Board and the Chief Risk Officer (Board Member responsible for developing and implementing the bank's credit policy and risk management).

In accordance with the Code of Commercial Partnerships and Companies, a Member of the Management Board may also be dismissed or suspended by the General Meeting.

The mandate of a Member of the Management Board expires at the latest on the day of the General Meeting that approves the financial statements for the last full financial year of the term of that Management Board Member. The mandate of a Member of the Management Board also expires if the Member dies, resigns from his or her position, or is dismissed. The mandate of a Member of the Management Board appointed before the end of the term expires on the expiration date of mandates of the other Members of the Management Board.

# Principles of amendments to the Company's By-Laws

Amendments to the By-Laws of mBank require adoption of a resolution by the General Meeting of mBank and registration of the adopted amendment in the National Court Register. Before the General Meeting of mBank is presented with a draft resolution concerning amendment to the By-Laws, the Management Board of mBank adopts a resolution on the proposed amendment by approving the draft resolution of the General Meeting. The draft is then presented to the Supervisory Board for approval.

Under Article 34 (2) of the Banking Law Act of 29 August 1997, an amendment to the bank's By-laws requires the authorisation of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority.



#### Amendments to mBank's By-laws in 2019

The 32nd Annual General Meeting of mBank amended mBank's By-laws. The amendments were then registered by the District Court for the Capital City of Warsaw, 12th Commercial Division of the National Court Register.

The amendments made to mBank's By-laws in 2019 were as follows:

- the Supervisory Board was assigned the following new responsibilities:
  - exercising supervision over the implementation and operation of an adequate and effective risk management system and internal control system in the bank, and
  - approving changes in the position of the head of the Internal Audit Department and the head of the Compliance Department;
- we specified the responsibilities of the Executive and Nomination Committee, including the following new responsibilities:
  - defining the scope of duties for candidates for the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of the bank and requirements with regard to knowledge and skills, as well as assessing the expected time commitment necessary to perform the functions,
  - performing periodic assessment of the structure, size, composition and effectiveness of the Management Board and its activities and recommending changes in this regard to the Supervisory Board, as well as performing periodic assessment of the knowledge, skills and experience of the Management Board as a whole and its individual members and informing the Management Board about the results of the assessment;
- we made changes to the wording of the task of the Audit Committee consisting in the monitoring of the financial reporting process, effectiveness of the internal control systems and risk management;
- we made changes to two provisions pertaining to the internal control system; and
- we updated the amount of mBank's share capital.

# General Meeting and shareholder rights

The General Meeting is convened pursuant to the provisions of the Code of Commercial Partnerships and Companies, mBank's By-laws, and the Standing Rules of the General Meeting. Both the By-laws and the Standing Rules of the General Meeting are available on mBank's website.

The General Meeting convened by the Management Board under the ordinary procedure is held once a year, no later than in June. The Supervisory Board may convene an Annual General Meeting if the Management Board does not convene it within the time limit set out in the By-laws and an Extraordinary General Meeting if the Supervisory Board considers it necessary. In addition, under specific circumstances, the shareholders



have the right to convene a General Meeting or to request for a General Meeting to be convened.

The shareholders may participate in the General Meeting and cast their votes either in person or by proxies. One proxy may represent more than one shareholder.

Subject to the cases defined in the Code of Commercial Partnerships and Companies, the General Meeting is valid regardless of the number of shares represented at the General Meeting.

All matters submitted to the General Meeting are previously submitted to the Supervisory Board for consideration.

Subject to specific exceptions, resolutions of the General Meeting are passed in an open ballot by a simple majority of votes, unless the Code of Commercial Partnerships and Companies or mBank's By-laws impose a stricter requirement for the passing of resolutions on specific issues. A secret ballot is required in the case of elections and motions to dismiss members of the bank's authorities or liquidators, motions to call members of the bank's authorities or liquidators to account, and motions concerning personal issues. In addition, a secret ballot is required if requested by at least one shareholder present or represented at the General Meeting.

Voting takes place with the use of a computer system, which also counts the votes. The By-laws of mBank and Standing Rules of the General Meeting do not provide for the possibility of voting by mail or with the use of electronic means of communication.

The following matters require a resolution of the General Meeting (in addition to other matters set out in the Code of Commercial Partnerships and Companies):

- examination and approval of the report of the Management Board on the bank's operations and financial statements for the past financial year;
- adoption of resolutions on the distribution of profits or coverage of losses;
- vote of discharge of duties for members of the bank's authorities;
- election and dismissal of Members of the Supervisory Board;
- amendment to the By-laws;
- increase or reduction of the bank's share capital;
- adoption of resolutions concerning the redemption of shares, which set the rules of acquiring shares by the bank, in particular the amounts allotted to purchasing shares for redemption and funding sources and resolutions on redemption of shares, and in particular setting the policy of share redemption not regulated in the By-laws;
- creation and winding up of special purpose funds;
- issue of convertible bonds or preferred bonds;
- establishment of the principles of remunerating the Members of the Supervisory
   Board:
- liquidation of the bank or its merger with another bank;
- appointment of liquidators;
- matters submitted by the Supervisory Board;



- matters submitted by the shareholders in accordance with the By-laws;
- election of the entity authorised to audit financial statements as a statutory auditor of the bank.

The General Meetings of our bank take place in the bank's headquarters in Warsaw and are broadcast on-line. The General Meetings may be attended by the representatives of the media.

# Shareholders' rights

The shareholders have the right to participate in the profit reported in the audited financial statements and allocated by the General Meeting to be paid to the shareholders.

The shareholders representing at least half of the share capital or at least half of the total number of votes in the company may convene an Extraordinary General Meeting. The shareholders appoint the chairperson of this meeting. The shareholder(s) representing at least one-twentieth of the share capital may request that the Management Board convene an Extraordinary General Meeting and that specific items be put on the agenda for this meeting. A request for convening an Extraordinary General Meeting submitted in writing or electronically should contain proposals of:

- 1. the General Meeting agenda,
- 2. the draft resolutions along with rationale for those resolutions.

If the General Meeting is convened by parties other than the Management Board, the Management Board is obliged to take necessary actions to convey the General Meeting.

Only persons who are shareholders of the bank sixteen days before the date of the General Meeting have the right to participate in the General Meeting. The shareholder(s) of the bank representing at least one-twentieth of the share capital may request that specific items be put on the agenda for the Annual General Meeting. The request should be submitted to the Management Board of the bank no later than twenty-one days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.

The shareholders may participate in the General Meeting and cast their votes either in person or by proxies.

A shareholder has the right to:

- vote, propose motions and raise objections;
- justify their position briefly;
- stand for election of the Chairperson of the General Meeting and propose a candidate for the Chairperson of the General Meeting to be noted in the minutes;
- take the floor in the course of the General Meeting and make a reply;
- submit draft resolutions concerning the items put on the agenda;



- propose amendments and additions to draft resolutions being on the agenda for the General Meeting before the discussion on the item covering the draft resolution concerned by the proposal is closed;
- propose formal motions relating to the proceedings and the voting procedure;
- propose candidates for the bank's Supervisory Board in writing to the Chairperson of the General Meeting or orally to the minutes;
- review the book of minutes and request copies of resolutions authenticated by the Management Board;
- file a statement of claim for repealing a resolution of the General Meeting where the shareholder voted against the resolution of the General Meeting and after its adoption requested that his/her objection be recorded in the minutes or the shareholder was prevented from participating in the General Meeting without a sound reason, or the shareholder was absent from the General Meeting in the event of defective convening of the General Meeting or adoption of a resolution on a matter not included in the agenda;
- file a statement of claim against the company for declaring a resolution of the General Meeting adopted in breach of the law invalid.

The Management Board is obliged to provide the shareholder, at the shareholder's request, with information concerning the company if this is justified by the assessment of an issue on the agenda. The Management Board should refuse information if:

- this could damage the company or its associated company or subsidiary, in particular due to disclosure of technical, trade or organisational secret of the company;
- this could expose a Member of the Management Board to criminal, civil or administrative liability.

In justified cases, the Management Board may provide information in writing no later than two weeks after the General Meeting is adjourned.



# Management Board and Supervisory Board – composition, powers and procedures

# **Composition of the Management Board**

The Management Board is composed of at least three members appointed for a joint term of 5 years. At least half of the Management Board Members, including the President, must be Polish citizens, have permanent residence in Poland, speak Polish and have experience in the Polish market necessary to manage mBank. The Members of the Management Board manage selected areas of the bank's operation within the scope determined by the President of the Management Board. The division of powers of the Members of the Management Board has been described in detail in the Management Board's resolutions.

On April 12, 2018, mBank's Supervisory Board appointed the following Members of the Management Board of mBank S.A. for a joint term of five years:

- Cezary Stypułkowski President of the Management Board, Chief Executive Officer
- Frank Bock Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Financial Markets
- Andreas Böger Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Financial Officer
- Krzysztof Dąbrowski Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Operations and Information Technology
- Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Risk Officer
- Cezary Kocik Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Retail Banking
- Adam Pers Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Corporate and Investment Banking.

Since its appointment, the composition of the Management Board has not changed.

Detailed information on mBank Management Board Members is presented on the next pages.



# Cezary Stypułkowski - President of the Management Board, Chief Executive Officer



Cezary Stypułkowski holds a PhD in law from the University of Warsaw. In second half of 1980s, he studied at Columbia University Business School in New York as a participant of the Fulbright Program. Starting in 1991, he chaired the Management Board of Bank Handlowy S.A. (currently Citibank Group) for nearly thirteen years. In

2003, he was appointed the President of the Management Board of PZU Group and held this function for three years. From 2006 to 2010, he worked for J.P Morgan in London, from 2007 as the Managing Director of J.P. Morgan Investment Bank in Central and Eastern Europe. Cezary Stypułkowski was also a member of the International Advisory Board for Deutsche Bank Management Board, INSEAD International Advisory Board and the Geneva Association. Since 2012, co-chair of the Emerging Markets Advisory Council of the Institute of International Finance in Washington (IFF).

Mr Stypułkowski was appointed the President of the Management Board of mBank S.A. on August 2, 2010. He has been acting as the President of the Management Board of the bank as of October 1, 2010. The Polish Financial Supervision Authority approved his appointment on October 27, 2010.

# Frank Bock - Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Financial Markets



Mr Bock graduated from the Technical University in Karlsruhe (Germany) with specialisation in financial engineering and IT.

During his professional career, Frank Bock gained considerable experience in the scope of risk and treasury management in numerous institutions in Germany, the

USA (New York) and Great Britain (London). Starting from the beginning of 2009, Frank Bock was the Managing Director for Treasury at Commerzbank AG. His duties included asset and liability management, market risk management and liquidity management at Commerzbank in Central and Eastern Europe, as well as functional support in strategic subsidiaries of Commerzbank: Comdirect, Commerz Real and mBank. Previously, as the Asset and Liability Management Director in Group Capital and Treasury Management of Dresdner Bank AG in Frankfurt, he was responsible for the management of market risk and liquidity portfolio. Prior to joining Dresdner Bank, Mr Bock worked for WestLB AG in Düsseldorf as Credit Treasury Head in Group Treasury and was a senior manager for risk management.

Vice-President of the Management Board of mBank S.A., Head of Financial Markets since May 1, 2017.



# Andreas Böger - Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Financial Officer



Mr Böger studied in Frankfurt and San Diego, graduated from the Frankfurt School of Finance & Management and holds the CFA certificate.

He started his professional career in HypoVereinsbank in Munich in 1994, where he headed the team responsible for assets and liability management and capital

advisory. Since 2003, Andreas Böger worked in Deutsche Bank in Frankfurt.

In 2007-2013, he was a managing director of Global Capital Markets and Capital Solutions Europe & CEEMEA at Deutsche Bank in London. Mr Andreas Böger joined Commerzbank in 2013. Prior to taking up the position at mBank, he managed the corporate finance division within Commerzbank's Group Development and Strategy. Vice-President of the Management Board of mBank S.A., Chief Financial Officer since July 1, 2017.

# Krzysztof Dąbrowski - Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Operations and Information Technology



Mr Dąbrowski graduated from Warsaw University of Technology, Faculty of Electronics and Information Technology. In 2011, he completed the Executive MBA programme at the University of Warsaw and the University of Illinois.

In 1995-2003, he worked in the Internet and telecommunications industry for Polska Online and TDC

Internet, where he was responsible for the development of hosting systems and services. In 2004-2011, as the head of the Software Development Department, he co-created the Polish service centre of F. Hoffman-La Roche. In the following years, as the CTO of Allegro Group, Krzysztof Dąbrowski supervised one of the biggest agile transformations in the region. Since 2014, he performed the function of the managing director for IT and technology at mBank.

Vice-President of the Management Board of mBank S.A., Head of Operations and IT since April 1, 2017.



# Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba - Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Risk Officer



Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba graduated from the Mathematics Institute of the University of Gdańsk. From 1994 to 2001, Ms Jabłonowska-Luba was Vice-President of Schroder Salomon Smith Barney Poland, where she advised financial institutions on M&A and public equity transactions. In 2002, Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba joined Citigroup in Poland, first as

the Head of Financial Institutions & Public Sector Division and since November 2003 as the Member of the Management Board in charge of finance and operational risk management, capital management and implementation of the New Capital Accord. From 2008 to 2010, she served as the Vice-President of the Management Board of Kredyt Bank acting as Chief Finance and Risk Officer. She was also the Advisor to the CEO of Warta S.A. and TUnŻ Warta S.A. From 2010 to 2012, Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba was the Senior General Manager at KBC Group in Brussels, where she was responsible for managing all risk types in the group, including model development and valuation, risk policies and procedures, risk support for business decisions, supervision and reporting, ICAAP and ORSA processes, capital adequacy policy and technological support for risk management. Additionally, Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba held the position of the Vice-Chairwoman of the Group Risk Management Committee and also served as a member of the Group Risk and Capital Oversight Committee and ALCO at KBC Group.

Vice-President of the Management Board of mBank S.A., Chief Risk Officer since April 12, 2013.

### Cezary Kocik - Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Retail Banking



Mr Kocik graduated from the University of Łódź with a degree in Banking and Finance. In 2015, he completed the Advanced Management Program (AMP 189) at Harvard Business School. Holder of a securities broker license. From 1994 to 1996, Cezary Kocik was employed with the Brokerage House of Bank PBG as a securities broker. Starting in 1996, he

worked for Bank PBG in the investment banking, debt collection and restructuring divisions. In 1999, Mr Kocik was employed with the debt collection and loan restructuring department of Bank Pekao S.A. Since 2000 he was director of a Pekao Branch in Łódź. He has been shaping mBank's retail banking since 2004: first in the retail credit risk area, then in the sales and business processes area, contributing to successful implementation of CRM system and substantially improving the effectiveness of key sales processes in direct channels.

Vice-President of the Management Board of mBank S.A., Head of Retail Banking since April 1, 2012.



# Adam Pers – Vice-President of the Management Board, Head of Corporate and Investment Banking



Adam Pers graduated from the Faculty of Economics of the Academy of Economics in Poznań. In 2008, he completed an MBA programme organised by SGH Warsaw School of Economics. He gained expertise in the field of banking both at university and in three institutions operating on the Polish market. He commenced his professional career as an

intern in Wielkopolski Bank Kredytowy S.A., then he worked in Raiffeisen Bank Polska S.A. Group for many years, at first in back office, then in corporate banking and finally in the financial markets area. He was responsible for strategic projects concerning the reshaping of the dealing room and for one of the pillars of the bank's strategy and during the financial crisis, as the operational committee member, he was responsible for the bank's liquidity. In RBI Group, he was awarded the TOP Performer and Leader of the Year title. He joined BRE Bank/mBank Group in 2012, where at first he was responsible for restructuring in the area of the financial markets sales. Then, as a managing director he also supervised the integration of the area of cooperation with financial institutions and finally, the integration with the trading area.

Vice-President of the Management Board of mBank S.A., Head of Corporate and Investment Banking since October 26, 2017.

### Powers and procedures of the Management Board

The Members of the Management Board are jointly liable for the overall operations of the bank. They work collegially and inform each other about the most important matters concerning the bank for which particular Members of the Management Board are responsible. The Management Board may appoint standing committees or teams to perform specific functions or to co-ordinate the work of organisational units of the bank or to perform specific tasks.

The following committees led by Members of the Management Board operate at mBank:

- Resource Management Committee (chairperson: Andreas Böger)
- Capital Management Committee (chairperson: Andreas Böger)
- Data Quality and IT Systems Development Committee (chairperson: Andreas Böger)
- Assets and Liabilities Management Committee of mBank Group (chairperson: Frank Bock)
- Balance Sheet Management Committee (chairperson: Frank Bock)
- Foreign Branch Supervision Committee of mBank S.A. (chairperson: Cezary Kocik)
- Credit Committee of mBank Group (chairperson: Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba)
- Retail Banking Risk Committee (chairperson: Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba)
- Corporate and Investment Banking Risk Committee (chairperson: Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba)



- Financial Markets Risk Committee (chairperson: Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba)
- Model Risk Committee (chairperson: Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba)
- Investment Banking Committee (chairperson: Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba)
- IT Architecture Committee of mBank Group (chairperson: Krzysztof Dąbrowski).

The Management Board manages the bank's business, represents the bank and defines the guidelines for the bank's operations, especially for the areas subject to risks, including the credit policy, the investment policy, the bank's assets and liabilities management policy, and the guarantee policy. The Management Board presents to the Supervisory Board on a regular basis comprehensive information on all significant aspects of the bank's operations and related risks as well as risk management methods.

The Management Board operates pursuant to its Rules approved by the Supervisory Board. The Rules determine among others the issues which require consideration of the Management Board as a collegial body and adoption of a resolution of the Management Board.

All resolutions are adopted by a majority of votes of the Management Board Members present at the meeting, and in the case of an equal number of opposing votes, the President of the Management Board has the casting vote.

Rules and levels of remuneration of Members of the Management Board are determined by the Remuneration Committee of the Supervisory Board. The rules of the incentive programme for the Management Board as well as the principles of allocating bonuses to Management Board Members are defined in Resolutions of the Supervisory Board.

The "Remuneration Policy for Employees Having a Material Impact on the Risk Profile of mBank S.A." ("Risk Takers Remuneration Policy") adopted in 2018 specifies remuneration rules for persons identified as employees having a material impact on the risk profile of the Bank ("Risk Takers") by determining fixed and variable remuneration components.

Total remuneration of the Members of the Management Board includes a fixed and a variable part. For the Members of the Management Board the relation between variable remuneration and fixed remuneration should not exceed 100% of the annual basic remuneration, with the proviso that variable remuneration exceeding 100% (not more than 200%) of the annual basic remuneration is subject to approval by the Annual General Meeting of the Bank.

The basic remuneration of the Members of the Management Board is determined by the Supervisory Board taking into account the following information:

- the resolution of the Management Board on the division of powers between the Members of the Management Board of the bank (with a particular focus on changes in powers),
- long-term results achieved as at the assessment date,
- available internal market data (e.g. internal comparison of mBank Group),



 available external market data (e.g. information on remuneration of management board members of other WSE-listed companies, additional market benchmarks).

A detailed description of the rules of the incentive programmes for the Management Board based on shares is presented in Note 41 of mBank S.A. Group IFRS Consolidated Financial Statements 2019.

On April 12, 2018, the resolution regarding the implementation of the incentive programme and determination of the rules for conducting it, and the resolution regarding the issue of subscription warrants, conditional share capital increase with divestment of the existing shareholders' pre-emptive right to subscription warrants and shares and amendments to the Company's bylaws and on applying for the admission of shares to trading on the regulated market and share dematerialisation were adopted at the 31st Annual General Meeting of mBank. The new Incentive Programme replaced two other programmes: the employee programme dated October 27, 2008 and the incentive programme of mBank dated March 14, 2008 for Members of the Management Board. In line with the Incentive Programme dated April 12, 2018, the bank will issue no more than 934,000 ordinary bearer shares with a face value of PLN 4.00 each. In order to grant the rights, the bank will issue 934,000 registered subscription warrants. The Incentive Programme will be implemented until December 31, 2028 or until all shares are taken up, if it happens before that date.

The existing programmes are being gradually terminated. No new shares are granted under the 2008 programmes, and the bank only meets its obligations arising from deferred tranches under these programmes.

Warrants are offered to the group of Risk Takers, composed of Members of the Management Board of mBank and mBank Group's subsidiaries and selected employees of mBank.

The bonus of a Management Board Member is paid in the following way:

- 40% of the bonus in the calendar year in which the bonus amount is determined (non-deferred part);
- 60% of the bonus in equal tranches in the five subsequent calendar years following the calendar year in which the bonus amount is determined (deferred part).

The non-deferred part: 50% is paid in cash in the month following the month of the Annual General Meeting; the other 50% is paid in the form of subscription warrants issued not earlier than twelve months from the date of the AGM. The value of one subscription warrant will equal the Average Market Price minus PLN 4.00.

The deferred part is paid in five equal tranches in the five subsequent calendar years: 50% of each tranche is paid in cash in the month following the month of the AGM of mBank which approved the consolidated financial statements of mBank Group for the previous calendar year, but not later than by 31 July of the year in which the AGM of the bank was held; 50% is granted in the form of subscription warrants issued not earlier than after the



lapse of 12 months from the AGM which approved the consolidated financial statements of mBank Group for the previous calendar year. The value of one subscription warrant equals the average market price minus PLN 4.00.

The bonus amount granted to a Risk Taker for a given calendar year is calculated individually for this Risk Taker and depends on the amount of the bonus pool. Bonuses are calculated on the basis of economic profit.

The remuneration of the Members of the Management Board in 2018-2019 is presented in the following tables.

# Remuneration paid in 2019 (in PLN)

	Basic	Other	Bonus for	Deferred		
	remuneration	benefits	2018	bonusl		
1. Cezary Stypułkowski	3,333,230	297,804	400,000	697,648		
2. Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba	1,680,000	196,843	180,000	340,000		
3. Frank Bock	1,750,453	520,367	140,000	54,167		
4. Andreas Böger	1,767,133	370,212	200,000	43,750		
5. Krzysztof Dąbrowski	1,680,000	157,011	200,000	128,333		
6. Cezary Kocik	1,680,000	214,546	240,000	400,000		
7. Adam Pers	1,680,000	134,594	200,000	99,001		
In total	13,570,816	1,891,377	1,560,000	1,762,899		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 2019, the third deferred tranche was paid as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2015, the second deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2016 and the first deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2017. Krzysztof Dąbrowski and Adam Pers were paid deferred tranches (with the date of payment in 2019) as the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus granted during the period of performing the functions of the Managing Directors.

# Remuneration paid in 2019 (in PLN)

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		Basic remuneration	Other benefits	Deferred bonus <sup>1</sup>
	Remuneration of perform their fur		of the Management	Board who ceased to
1.	Christoph Heins	-	-	100,000
2.	Jarosław Mastalerz	-	-	320,000
3.	Przemysław Gdański	-	-	348,334
	Remuneration of perform their fur		of the Management	Board who ceased to
1.	Jörg Hessenmüller	-	-	212,500

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 2019, Members of the Management Board who ceased to perform their functions in 2017 and Jörg Hessenmüller received the third deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2015, the second deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2016 and the first deferred tranche as part of the settlement part of the cash bonus for 2017.



# Remuneration paid in 2018 (in PLN)

	Basic	Other	Bonus for	Deferred
	remuneration	benefits	2017	bonus1
1. Cezary Stypułkowski	3,580,421	241,475	434,466	805,415
2. Lidia Jabłonowska-Luba	1,629,000	183,087	150,000	445,000
3. Frank Bock	1,694,638	252,467	108,334	-
4. Andreas Böger	1,729,940	132,699	87,500	-
5. Krzysztof Dąbrowski	1,733,565	146,847	150,000	76,667
6. Cezary Kocik	1,879,956	199,194	250,000	475,000
7. Adam Pers	1,676,801	126,426	126,334	90,000
In total	13,924,321	1,282,195	1,306,634	1,892,082

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 2018, the third deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2014, the second deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2015 and the first deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2016 were paid. Krzysztof Dąbrowski and Adam Pers were paid deferred tranches (with the date of payment in 2018) as the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus granted during the period of performing the functions of the Managing Directors.

# Remuneration paid in 2018 (in PLN)

		Basic remuneration	Other benefits	Bonus for	Deferred bonusl
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1.	Christoph Heins	-	-	75,000	62,500
2.	Jarosław Mastalerz	-	-	50,000	475,000
3.	Przemysław	-	-	166,668	445,000
	Gdański				

Remuneration of former Members of the Management Board who ceased to perform their functions in 2016

1	Jöra Hessenmüller	_	<u>-</u>	402.500
1.	30191103301111191101			702.300

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In 2018, Members of the Management Board who ceased to perform their functions in 2017 and Jörg Hessenmüller received the third deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2014, the second deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2015 and the first deferred tranche as part of the settlement of the cash portion of the bonus for 2016.



The bank's shares held by the Members of the Management Board:

As at 31 December 2019, the bank shares were held by five Members of the Management Board: Cezary Stypułkowski – 21,249 shares, Frank Bock – 334 shares, Andreas Böger – 270 shares, Krzysztof Dąbrowski – 1 000 shares and Cezary Kocik 1,040 shares.

For comparison, as at 31 December 2018, the bank shares were held by four Members of the Management Board: Cezary Stypułkowski – 19 384 shares, Frank Bock – 223 shares, Andreas Böger – 180 shares and Krzysztof Dąbrowski – 1,630 shares.

# **Composition of the Supervisory Board**

The Supervisory Board acts on the basis of adopted Rules and performs the functions provided for in the By-laws of mBank, the Code of Commercial Partnerships and Companies, and the Banking Law Act.

The By-laws of mBank provide that the Supervisory Board consists of no less than five Members elected by the General Meeting for a joint term of three years. A Member of the Supervisory Board whose mandate expired in the course of the joint term of the Supervisory Board may be replaced with another person, elected by the Supervisory Board. The term of a Member of the Supervisory Board so elected expires on the expiration of the term of the other Members of the Supervisory Board. Appointment of Supervisory Board Members in the course of the joint term of office of the Supervisory Board must be approved by the next General Meeting.

Members of the Supervisory Board should possess knowledge, skills and experience adequate for fulfilling their function and duties entrusted to them and should guarantee proper fulfilment of these duties. At least half of all Supervisory Board Members, including the Chairperson, shall hold Polish citizenship, permanently reside in Poland, speak Polish and have experience on the Polish market which can be used while supervising the bank's operations. Pursuant to the statutory requirement, at least two Supervisory Board Members are independent. The independence criteria of a Supervisory Board Member are stipulated in the mandatory provisions of law.

As at the end of 2019, the composition of mBank's Supervisory Board was as follows:

- Maciej Leśny Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- Stephan Engels Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board he resigned as at December 31, 2019.
- Tomasz Bieske Member of the Supervisory Board
- Marcus Chromik Member of the Supervisory Board
- Mirosław Godlewski Member of the Supervisory Board
- Jörg Hessenmüller Member of the Supervisory Board
- Gurjinder Singh Johal Member of the Supervisory Board
- Michael Mandel Member of the Supervisory Board
- Teresa Mokrysz Member of the Supervisory Board
- Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska Member of the Supervisory Board



Changes which have taken place since the election of the Supervisory Board by the 30th AGM of mBank held on March 30, 2017 are discussed below.

Thorsten Kanzler resigned from mBank's Supervisory Board and from the Supervisory Board Risk Committee as at September 23, 2018. By way of a resolution of mBank's Supervisory Board, Gurjinder Singh Johal was elected as a new Member of the Supervisory Board of mBank as at September 24, 2018 until the end of the current term of office of the Supervisory Board.

Dr. Janusz Fiszer, Member of the Supervisory Board and the Audit Committee, died on September 2, 2019.

On September 19, 2019, dr. Andre Carls resigned from the Supervisory Board, the Executive and Nomination Committee, the Remuneration Committee, and the Audit Committee with effect on September 30, 2019.

On December 5, 2019, Stephan Engels resigned from the Supervisory Board, the Executive and Nomination Committee, and the Remuneration Committee with effect on December 31, 2019.

Detailed information on mBank Supervisory Board Members, who performed their functions as at the end of 2019, is presented in the table below.

### Maciej Leśny - Chairman of the Supervisory Board

Maciej Leśny graduated from the Faculty of Economic Sciences at Warsaw University in 1969. During his professional career, Maciej Leśny worked for 6 years in the shipbuilding industry in Gdańsk and 8 years for Zakłady Elektronicznej Techniki Obliczeniowej. For more than 22 years, he worked in the central state administration, including 8 years in the position of Undersecretary of State: in the Ministry of Foreign Economic Co-operation; the Ministry of Economy; the Ministry of Economy, Labour and Social Policy; and finally in the Ministry of Infrastructure.

He completed a post-graduate course and training courses at universities in the USA: Michigan University (Business School of Administration) and De Paul University (Chicago). In 1992-1993, as a holder of scholarship granted by the US government, Maciej Leśny studied at the American University in Washington, DC. During his scholarship time, he took part in a four-month internship at the World Bank and completed a privatization training course at the International Monetary Fund.

From March 1994 to 1998, Maciej Leśny was the Chairman of the Supervisory Board of mBank (formerly BRE Bank). Then, until December 2001, he was a Member of the Supervisory Board. In 2004, Maciej Leśny was re-elected as the Chairman of the Supervisory Board.

Stephan Engels – Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board – resigned as at December 31, 2019.

Mr Engels is a graduate of the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland. In the period of 1988-1993, he worked at Daimler-Benz AG's Internal Audit Department. Afterwards he headed the Regional Controlling (Europe) at debis AG for three years. From 1996 to



2000, he served as the Chief Financial Officer at debis AirFinance B.V. In 2000, Mr Engels joined DaimlerChrysler Bank AG as the Member of the Board for Credit, and then CFO and IT. In 2003, he took the position of the Member of the Board for Finance, Controlling, Risk Management & Strategy at DaimlerChrysler Services AG. From 2007 to 2012, he was a Member of the Executive Committee of Mercedes-Benz Car Group for Finance & Controlling and the Head of Management Group Controlling at Daimler AG. On April 1, 2012 he was appointed Member of the Board, Chief Financial Officer at Commerzbank AG.

### Tomasz Bieske - Member of the Supervisory Board

Mr Bieske studied economy at the University of Cologne. He worked in Dresdner Bank's head office in Frankfurt for six years. In 1990, Tomasz Bieske co-founded Arthur Andersen in Poland and became a partner and the Head of Financial Markets Group responsible for cooperation with financial sector clients. He continued his career path at Ernst & Young as the director of the Financial Markets Group, Audit and Business Advisory. He participated in the majority of the key projects in the financial services sector including preparation of public offerings of PKO BP S.A. and Kredyt Bank S.A. as well as audits of financial statements of the National Bank of Poland, PKO BP S.A., Pekao S.A., Getin Holding and a number of other banks. He managed many advisory projects in the banking sector.

Since 2011, he has been participating in the work of the committee for legal and business regulatory changes of the cooperative banking sector and closely cooperating with the Polish Bank Association (Związek Banków Polskich) and the National Association of Cooperative Banks (Krajowy Związek Banków Spółdzielczych). Tomasz Bieske has professional qualifications of a Polish statutory auditor. Until June 30, 2013, he worked for Ernst & Young.

# Marcus Chromik - Member of the Supervisory Board

Marcus Chromik studied physics in Göttingen, Kiel and Munich. He also engaged in scientific research at Michigan State University. Mr Chromik holds a PhD in nuclear physics.

He started his professional career with McKinsey & Company in 2001. In 2004, he joined Postbank Group, where he held various executive positions, being responsible for, among others, new share issues and syndication, liquidity management and Credit Treasury. Later he served as the Chief Market Risk Officer in Commerzbank's markets and corporates segment for more than three years, where he was responsible for market and liquidity risk management. As of 2012, Marcus Chromik became Divisional Board Member, Chief Credit Risk Officer at Commerzbank.

On January 1, 2016, he was appointed Member of the Board of Managing Directors at Commerzbank AG, Chief Risk Officer.

### Mirosław Godlewski - Member of the Supervisory Board

Mirosław Godlewski completed the MBA programme at Warsaw University of Technology, the MBA programme at Ashridge Management College and Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program. He is the Executive Chairman of

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Apteki Gemini, Senior Advisor at BCG, a Member of the Supervisory Board of Celon Pharma S.A., a Member of the Supervisory Board of Netia S.A. and the so-called "Angel Investor" at Hedgehog Fund.

Mr Godlewski was a member of the Supervisory Board at ABC Data SA and a member of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee. In 2007-2014, he was the President and CEO of Netia S.A. He also held executive positions with Opoczno S.A., Pepsi Cola General Bottlers-Polska Sp. z o.o., DEC Sp. z o.o. and MEMRB Polska.

### Jörg Hessenmüller - Member of the Supervisory Board

Jörg Hessenmüller graduated from Hochschule für Bankwirtschaft in Frankfurt am Main in 1997 and was awarded the title of Master in Management (Diplom–Betriebswirt (FH)). From 1989 to 2009, he worked for Dresdner Bank, holding the position of, among others, Head of Financial Control responsible for London, New York, Moscow, Sao Paulo and Asia. In 2009, Mr Hessenmüller was appointed Managing Director in Commerzbank Group and worked as Head of Investment Banking Finance, Group Finance. From April 2012 to June 2016, he was the Member of the Management Board of mBank S.A., Chief Financial Officer.

From July 2016, Jörg Hessenmüller worked as the Divisional Board Member for the Group division Digital Transformation & Strategy. On December 5, 2018, Jörg Hessenmüller was appointed to the Board of Managing Directors of Commerzbank AG as the Chief Operating Officer responsible for, among others, Commerzbank Group growth and strategy, digital transformation and IT, organisation, and security, with effect from January 15, 2019.

### Gurjinder Singh Johal - Member of the Supervisory Board

Gurjinder Singh Johal graduated with a degree in Business & Finance from the University of East London (UEL) in 1994. In addition he completed managerial studies at Said Business School.

He started his career at Standard Bank London in 1995 before moving to Commerzbank in 2007. He initially assumed responsibility for the Emerging Markets & Credit Derivatives segment. From 2011 he headed the Global Credit Trading desk. In 2016-2018 Gurjinder Singh Johal was Divisional Board Member and Head of Group Market Risk Management at Commerzbank. In October 2018, Gurjinder Singh Johal was appointed the Divisional Board Member responsible for Group Treasury of Commerzbank AG.

### Michael Mandel - Member of the Supervisory Board

He is a graduate of Business Administration at the University of Münster. Between 1986 and 2000, he worked for Dresdner Bank AG, where he was responsible for private banking. In the years 2000-2002, he was a consultant in McKinsey & Company consulting company.

Since 2002, he has worked for Commerzbank AG, first as the Head of Business Development for the Private Customer Segment, and then the Group Manager for Private and Business Customers. In 2008, he was appointed CEO of Comdirect Bank AG. Since 2010, he has served as the Divisional Board Member for Private Customers at



Commerzbank AG. In May 2016, Michael Mandel was appointed the Member of the Board of Managing Directors at Commerzbank AG responsible for the segment of "Private and Business Customers".

# Teresa Mokrysz - Member of the Supervisory Board

Teresa Mokrysz graduated from the Academy of Economics (now the University of Economics) in Katowice (1978). In 1990, she created the Mokate brand, one of the most recognisable Polish brands in the world. She transformed a small family-run company into an international business. As one of the owners, Teresa Mokrysz runs eight Mokate enterprises headquartered in Poland and in other countries of Central Europe. She built production plants in the Polish towns of Żory and Ustroń from scratch and expanded a production plant near Prague (producing coffee, tea and intermediate products for the food industry). She has successfully launched her products in several dozen countries on all the continents.

In 2000, the International Association of Women Entrepreneurs from Los Angeles awarded her the title of the "Most Entrepreneurial Woman in the World". Moreover, Teresa Mokrysz received a number of prestigious awards in Poland and abroad, including the "Leader of the Decade" title granted by Gazeta Wyborcza, and the "Success of the Decade" title granted by the Businessman Magazine. She funds scholarships for talented and underprivileged young people and provides financial support to health care institutions, nursing care homes, orphanages and schools. At the meeting of the Executive and Nomination Committee of the Supervisory Board held on December 12, 2019, Teresa Mokrysz announced that she would not run for another term as a Supervisory Board Member in 2020.

# Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska - Member of the Supervisory Board

Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska holds PhD in economics. She is a graduate of Warsaw School of Economics specializing in finance and banking and completed the MBA programme of the French Institute of Management (IFG). She obtained her PhD degree at Warsaw School of Economics (SGH). Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska works as a lecturer at Warsaw School of Economics and she conducts research into corporate governance. She attended several Executive Education courses, e.g. the IESE-Harvard Business School programme.

From 2006 to 2009, she was the Director in the Industrial Development Agency responsible for corporate governance, and before that, a consultant for private and state-controlled companies at Arthur Andersen. Since 2006, she has been a member of supervisory boards. Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska was a holder of the Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship at the University of Münster and the Polish-American Fulbright Fellowship at the University of California, Berkeley. She was also a visiting scholar at universities in Cambridge (MIT), Tucson (UOA), Münster, Copenhagen (CBS),

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Birmingham (BBS), Berlin (HSoG), Genoa (UoG - Law School), Vienna (WU) and Florence (UniFi). She is the author of many publications on corporate governance.

As at December 31, 2019, there were three independent Supervisory Board Members: Tomasz Bieske, Mirosław Godlewski and Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska. Maciej Leśny and Teresa Mokrysz did not meet the independence criterion due to the fact that they have been sitting on the Supervisory Board for over twelve years. Marcus Chromik, Stephan Engels, Jörg Hessenmüller, Gurjinder Singh Johal, and Michael Mandel were not independent members due to their relationship with the main shareholder of mBank.



# Powers and procedures of the Supervisory Board

The responsibilities of the Supervisory Board include, in particular, the following matters:

- Exercising supervision over the implementation and operation of an adequate and effective risk management system and internal control system in the bank,
- Advising and supervising the Management Board in defining internal guidelines for the activity of the bank, especially for the areas subject to risks, including the bank's credit policy, investment policy, guarantee policy, compliance policy, and approving the Management Board's proposals concerning the general organisational structure of the bank;
- Supervising compliance of the bank's risk-taking regulations with the strategy and financial plan of the bank;
- Approving the disclosure policy rules concerning risk management and capital adequacy adopted by the Management Board;
- Approving strategies and procedures for the internal control system, the risk management system, the internal capital assessment process, capital management and capital planning, as proposed by the Management Board;
- Assessing the adequacy and effectiveness of the risk management system and the internal control system;
- Reviewing regular and exhaustive reports presented by the Management Board on all relevant issues related to the activity of the bank, the risks of its activity, and the methods and effectiveness of risk management;
- Preparing a concise assessment of the position of the bank to be presented to the Annual General Meeting and attached to the annual report of the bank for the previous financial year.
- Approving the bank's annual financial plans, multi-year growth plans, as well as the strategy of the bank and the rules of prudent and stable management of the bank;
- Reviewing any motions and matters which are subject to resolutions of the General Meeting, including draft resolutions of the General Meeting; the Supervisory Board prepares justifications for draft resolutions to be presented to the General Meeting for approval;
- Issuing and approving rules provided for in the By-laws of mBank;
- Appointing and dismissing the President of the Management Board, the Vice-Presidents of the Management Board and other Members of the Management Board subject to the procedures laid down in the Banking Law Act and other generally applicable laws;
- Defining the terms of contracts and remuneration of the Management Board;
- Authorizing the Chairperson of the Supervisory Board to represent mBank in agreements with the Management Board Members, including the conclusion of management contracts with Management Board Members;



- Receiving, in advance, information on creating, acquiring, closing and managing branches, permanent representations and parts of the enterprise, and initiating and terminating undertakings and fields of operations;
- Approving conclusion or amendment of any significant contract or agreement with the Members of the Management Board or the Supervisory Board;
- Approving conclusion, amendment or termination of any significant affiliation or cooperation agreements;
- Receiving information on the expected deviations from the annual budget;
- Analysing reports of the Internal Audit Department Director received at least once per year;
- Issuing guidelines for the Management Board Members regarding the level and structure of remuneration for the senior management;
- Approving the policy of variable remuneration components of persons holding managerial positions in mBank;
- Approving the operational risk management strategy developed by the Management Board, assessing implementation of the strategy and, if necessary, commissioning its review;
- Granting the Members of the Management Board of the bank consent to sitting on management or supervisory boards of companies outside mBank Group;
- Granting consent to appointment and dismissal of the directors of the Internal Audit
   Department and the Compliance Department and approval of their remuneration;
- Approving the organisational rules of the Internal Audit Department and the Compliance Department; and
- Presenting a report on the assessment of the functioning of the bank's remuneration policy to the Annual General Meeting to allow the Annual General Meeting to assess this policy.

Meetings of the Supervisory Board are convened by the Chairperson of the Supervisory Board on his or her own initiative, or on request of the Management Board, or on request of a Supervisory Board Member, no less frequently than three times a year. All Management Board Members participate in the meetings of the Supervisory Board except for those agenda items which directly concern the Management Board or its Members.

Resolutions of the Supervisory Board are adopted by a simple majority of votes. In the case of an equal number of votes, the Chairperson of the Supervisory Board has the casting vote.

No resolution should be passed without the consent of the majority of the Independent Members of the Supervisory Board on the following matters:

 any benefits provided by the bank or any entities associated with the bank to the Members of the Management Board;



 consent for the bank to enter into a significant agreement with an entity associated with the bank, a Member of the Supervisory Board or the Management Board, and entities associated with them.

There are four Supervisory Board Committees: the Executive and Nomination Committee, the Risk Committee, the Audit Committee, and the Remuneration Committee. In addition, the Supervisory Board has set up a Working Group for IT, which holds regular meetings.

Members of the Committees as at the end of 2019 are presented below.

Executive and Nomination Committee	Risk Committee	Audit Committee	Remuneration Committee
Jörg Hessenmüller – Chairman Stephan Engels – Member <sup>1</sup> Maciej Leśny - Member Teresa Mokrysz - Member	Marcus Chromik - Chairman Mirosław Godlewski - Member Gurjinder Singh Johal – Member Agnieszka Słomka- Gołębiowska - Member	Tomasz Bieske - Chairman Jörg Hessenmüller - Member Agnieszka Słomka- Gołębiowska - Member	Stephan Engels – Chairman <sup>1)</sup> Tomasz Bieske - Member Maciej Leśny - Member

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Stephan Engels resigned as at December 31, 2019.

### **Executive and Nomination Committee**

The tasks of the Executive and Nomination Committee involve, in particular, exercising regular supervision over the bank's activity in the periods between meetings of the Supervisory Board. The Executive Committee authorises the Management Board to acquire, encumber or dispose of real estate, perpetual usufruct rights or interests in real estate, shares in companies and partnerships, and other fixed assets if the value of a transaction exceeds 1% of the bank's own funds. Such authorisation is not required if the aforesaid acquisition took place as part of enforcement or bankruptcy proceedings, including bankruptcy proceeding with the possibility to make an arrangement or other settlement with the bank's debtor or in the case of disposal of assets so acquired. The Committee is also responsible for initial recruitment for the positions of Management Board and Supervisory Board Members of the mBank.

In addition, the Executive and Nomination Committee defines the scope of duties for candidates for the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of the bank and requirements which such persons have to meet to perform their functions. Moreover, the Committee defines the target gender representation ratio for the Management Board and the Supervisory Board of the bank and develops a diversity policy to facilitate the achievement of the target ratio. The Committee performs periodic assessments of the



structure, size, composition, and operational effectiveness of the Management Board at least once a year and recommends changes in this respect to the Supervisory Board.

### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee issues opinions concerning the selection of a statutory auditor by the General Meeting, recommends the Supervisory Board to approve or reject financial statements, develops the policy and procedures for the selection of an external auditor and provision of other permitted services by the auditor, monitors the financial reporting process as well as the effectiveness of internal control systems, risk management systems and internal audit, and recommends the Supervisory Board to grant or refuse consent to appointment/dismissal of the head of the Internal Audit Department and the head of the Compliance Department. Moreover, the Audit Committee presents the Supervisory Board with the opinion on the annual assessment of adequacy and effectiveness of the control function, the Compliance Department and the Internal Audit Department, recommends the Supervisory Board to approve or reject the principles of mBank's information policy concerning capital adequacy and recommends the Supervisory Board to approve or reject mBank's compliance policy and annual report on compliance risk management in the bank.

Pursuant to the Rules of the Supervisory Board, the Audit Committee is composed of at least three members, whereas at least one of the Audit Committee members has to possess knowledge and skills in the scope of accounting or financial statements audit. The Rules of the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board stipulate that the majority of the Audit Committee members, including its Chairperson, have to be independent.

As at the end of 2019 the Audit Committee was composed of three members. The members who have knowledge and skills in the scope of accounting and financial statements audit include: Tomasz Bieske – the Committee Chairman and Jörg Hessenmüller – the Committee Member.

Tomasz Bieske and Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska meet the independence criteria. The independence criteria are specified in Article 129 of the Act of May 11, 2017 on Statutory Auditors, Audit Firms and Public Oversight.

All the members of the Audit Committee have vast knowledge in the sphere of banking:

- Tomasz Bieske a certified auditor for financial statements audit, a long-term employee of Arthur Andersen Polska and Ernst & Young Polska;
- Jörg Hessenmüller a long-term member of mBank's Management Board, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), member of the Board of Managing Directors of Commerzbank AG;
- Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska PhD in economics, a graduate of Warsaw School of Economics specialising in finance and banking and the MBA programme of the French Institute of Management (IFG). She is the author of many publications on corporate governance.



The Audit Committee recommends a statutory auditor to audit the financial statements of mBank S.A. and the consolidated financial statements of mBank S.A. Group to the Supervisory Board. The statutory auditor is elected by the AGM based on a recommendation submitted by the Supervisory Board. The recommendation is prepared in accordance with an election procedure which takes into account the applicable laws. The procedure for selecting an audit firm to audit mBank's financial statements approved by the Audit Committee in 2018 meets the requirements of Article 16 (2) of Regulation (EU) No 537/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on specific requirements regarding statutory audit of financial statements of public-interest entities.

The policy for selecting an audit firm in mBank S.A. approved by the Audit Committee meets the requirements of the Act of May 11, 2017 on Statutory Auditors, Audit Firms and Public Oversight and Regulation No. 537/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 (Regulation No. 537/2014). The policy incorporates the principle regarding the rotation of statutory auditors. The duration of total uninterrupted statutory audit engagements referred to in Article 17 (1) paragraph 2 of Regulation (EU) No. 537/2014 carried out by the same audit firm or an audit firm related to this audit firm, or any member of the network operating within the European Union to which these audit firms belong, must not exceed five years. The key statutory auditor may carry out a statutory audit again in the bank after at least three years of the completion of the last statutory audit. In the case of a statutory audit, the first agreement on statutory audit is concluded with an audit firm for the period not shorter than two years with an option to extend it for another two-year period.

The policy on the performance of permitted non-audit services in mBank S.A. by the audit firm carrying out the audit, by entities related to the audit firm and by a member of an audit firm network approved by the Audit Committee meets the requirements of the Act on Statutory Auditors, Audit Firms and Public Oversight and Regulation No. 537/2014.

Pursuant to the policy on the performance of permitted non-audit services in mBank S.A. by the audit firm carrying out the audit, by entities related to the audit firm and by a member of an audit firm network, a statutory auditor or an audit firm carrying out the statutory audit, or any member of the network to which the statutory auditor or the audit firm belongs, do not directly or indirectly provide to the audited entity, to its parent undertaking or to its controlled undertakings within the Union:

- any prohibited non-audit services in the period between the beginning of the period audited and the issuing of the audit report;
- any services that consist in designing and implementing internal control or risk management procedures related to the preparation and/or control of financial information or designing and implementing financial information technology systems.

Under Article 136 of the Act on Statutory Auditors, prohibited services do not include the following:



#### 1. services that consist in:

- a. conducting due diligence procedures with regard to economic and financial condition,
- b. issuing comfort letters in connection with prospectuses issued by the audited entity, in accordance with the national standard of related services and by means of agreed procedures,
- 2. assurance services with regard to pro forma financial information, forecasts of results or estimated results, published in the prospectus issued by the audited entity,
- 3. examination of historical financial information of the prospectus,
- 4. verification of consolidation packages,
- 5. confirmation of fulfilment of conditions of the concluded loan contracts on the basis of analysis of financial information coming from financial statements audited by a given audit firm,
- 6. assurance services in reporting concerning corporate governance, risk management and corporate social responsibility,
- 7. services consisting in the assessment of compliance of information revealed by financial institutions and investment companies with the requirements for disclosing information concerning capital adequacy and variable remuneration components,
- 8. certification concerning financial statements or other financial information for supervision bodies, the supervisory board or another supervisory authority of the company, or owners, exceeding the scope of the statutory audit, to help these authorities to perform their statutory duties.

Provision of the said services is possible only in the scope not related to the tax policy of the bank, after the Audit Committee evaluates hazards and safeguards for the independence.

The audit firm auditing the financial statements of mBank and mBank Group provided the permitted non-audit services to mBank. Therefore, the Audit Committee each time assessed the independence of the audit firm and granted its consent to the provision of the services.

The Audit Committee held 4 meetings in 2019.

### **Risk Committee**

The Risk Committee has, among others, the following tasks: exercising permanent supervision over credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk and non-financial risks, including operational risk. Moreover, the Risk Committee issues recommendations for approval or rejection of exposures posing single entity risk, in accordance with the parameters defined by the Supervisory Board. The Committee discusses matters related to corporate, financial markets, and retail portfolio risk. In addition, the Committee discusses non-financial risks, such as cyber risk, reputational risk, and legal issues.



Moreover, the Risk Committee provides the Supervisory Board with recommendations for approval or rejection of transactions, provided for in the Banking Law, concluded between the bank and Members of the bank's authorities, and recommendations for approval or rejection of the bank's disclosure policy regarding risk management. The Risk Committee is also responsible for recommending the Supervisory Board to approve or reject strategies and policies created by the Management Board, issuing opinions on the bank's current and future readiness to take risk and issuing opinions on the strategy of risk management in the bank's operating activity prepared by the bank's Management Board and information on the strategy implementation submitted by the Management Board.

#### **Remuneration Committee**

The tasks of the Remuneration Committee include among others: reviewing issues related to the remuneration principles and amounts of remuneration paid to the Members of the Management Board, setting the remuneration levels, presenting opinions concerning approval for Members of the Management Board of mBank to engage in competing activity, issuing recommendations to the Supervisory Board regarding the general guidelines for the Management Board on the level and structure of remuneration for the bank's senior management and the policy on variable components of remuneration paid to persons holding managerial positions at the bank. In addition, the Committee monitors the level and structure of senior management remuneration, issues opinions and monitors the remuneration policy adopted by mBank and assists the bank's bodies in matters regarding development and implementation of this policy.

All standing committees of the Supervisory Board make reports on their activity in the past reporting year available to the shareholders. The aforesaid reports are appended to the set of materials for the Annual General Meeting and can be found on mBank's website at <a href="https://www.mbank.pl/en/investor-relations/general-meeting/">https://www.mbank.pl/en/investor-relations/general-meeting/</a>.

The amount of monthly remuneration of the Members of the Supervisory Board was set in Resolution No. 50 regarding the remuneration rules for the Members of the Supervisory Board of mBank S.A. adopted by the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of mBank S.A. held on March 30, 2017. The Chairperson of the Supervisory Board earns PLN 17,000 monthly, the Deputy Chairperson - PLN 14,500 monthly, while Members of the Supervisory Board earn PLN 12,000 monthly each.

Additional monthly remuneration is granted for the participation in standing committees of the Supervisory Board: 50% of monthly remuneration of a Supervisory Board Member for the first committee and 25% for participating in another committee. No additional remuneration is paid to a Member of the Supervisory Board who sits on three or more Standing Committees of the Supervisory Board. However, a Supervisory Board Member performing the function of the Chairperson of the Audit Committee of the Supervisory Board of the bank is entitled to additional remuneration equal to 80% of the sum of remuneration he or she is paid.

The remuneration of the Supervisory Board for 2018-2019 is presented in the table below.



		Remuneration paid in 2019 (in PLN)	Remuneration paid in 2018 (in PLN)
1.	Maciej Leśny	366,133	367,235
2.	Stephan Engels	-	-
3.	Tomasz Bieske	429,185	429,025
4.	Marcus Chromik	-	-
5.	Mirosław Godlewski	216,540	216,000
6.	Joerg Hessenmueller	-	216,000
7.	Gurjinder Singh Johal	216,000	54,000
8.	Michael Mandel	-	-
9.	Teresa Mokrysz	220,385	220 225
10.	Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska	258,285	257,435
	Andre Carls¹	216,000	288,000
	Janusz Fiszer²	144,000	216,000
	Thorsten Kanzler³	-	162,000
	In total	2,066,528	2,425,920

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Andre Carls resigned from his function effective on September 30, 2019

### **Activity of the Supervisory Board in 2019**

The Supervisory Board held six meetings and adopted 72 resolutions in 2019. The resolutions covered all areas of the bank's operation and were consistent with the scope of supervisory functions specified in generally applicable laws, the Banking Law, PFSA recommendations, corporate governance principles, and mBank's By-laws and the Rules of the Supervisory Board.

At its meetings in 2019, the Supervisory Board discussed and assessed the current results of mBank Group and individual business lines taking into account the financial plan. The Supervisory Board also discussed and accepted other detailed reports required by the law concerning different areas of the bank's activity, including, i.a., regular risk, compliance, audit, bancassurance and IT security reports. At its meeting on December 12, 2019, the Supervisory Board approved the "mBank Group Strategy for 2020-2023 – Growth fuelled by our clients".

During their regular meetings in 2019, the Supervisory Board Committees discussed in detail the key issues concerning individual areas of the bank's activity, which, pursuant to the applicable regulations, must be approved by the Supervisory Board.

Attendance of the Supervisory Board Members at Supervisory Board meetings in 2019 is presented in the table below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On September 2, 2019 the Management Board of Bank became aware that Dr Janusz Fiszer died on September 2, 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Thorsten Kanzler resigned from his function on September 23, 2018



# Attendance<sup>1</sup>

Tomasz Bieske	6/6
Andre Carls (Supervisory Board Member until September 30, 2019)	4/4
Marcus Chromik	4/6
Jörg Hessenmüller	5/6
Stephan Engels	5/6
Mirosław Godlewski	5/6
Janusz Fiszer (Supervisory Board Member until September 2, 2019)	4/4
Gurjinder Singh Johal	3/6
Maciej Leśny	6/6
Michael Mandel	1/6
Teresa Mokrysz	6/6
Agnieszka Słomka-Gołębiowska	6/6

Attendance at meetings/number of meetings during the term of office



# Risk management

# **Risk management foundations**



mBank Group manages risk on the basis of regulatory requirements and best market practice by developing risk management strategies, policies and guidelines.

The risk management process is conducted at all levels of the organisational structure, starting at the levels of the Supervisory Board (including Risk Committee of the Supervisory Board) and the bank's Management Board, through specialised committees and units responsible for risk identification, measurement, monitoring, control and reduction, down to each business unit.

Risk management roles and responsibilities in mBank Group are organised around **the three lines of defence scheme**:

- The first line of defence is **Business** (business lines), whose task is to take risk and capital aspects into consideration when making all business decisions, within the risk appetite set for the Group;
- The second line of defence, mainly the risk management area, Security and Compliance function, is responsible for determining framework and guidelines concerning managing individual risks, supporting Business in their implementation as well as supervising the control functions and risk exposure. The second line of defence acts independently of the Business;
- The third line of defence is **Internal Audit**, which independently assesses risk management activities performed by the first and the second line of defence.

In the communication between organisational units in the risk management area and business lines in mBank as well as between the bank and the Group subsidiaries an important role is played by the **Business and Risk Forum of mBank Group** which is constituted by the Retail Banking Risk Committee, Corporate and Investment Banking



Risk Committee, and Financial Markets Risk Committee. The main function of these committees is to develop the principles of risk management and risk appetite in a given business line, by making decisions and issuing recommendations concerning in particular: risk policies, risk assessment processes and tools, risk limit system, assessment of the quality and profitability of the portfolio of exposures to clients, approval of introducing new products to the offer.

The management function at the strategic level and the function of control of credit, market, liquidity and operational risks and risk of models used to quantify the aforesaid risk types are performed in the risk management area supervised by the Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Risk Officer.

### Pillars of risk management

Risk management framework in mBank Group rests on three pillars concept:

- Customer Focus which means striving to understand and balance specific needs of the risk management area's various stakeholders (Business, Management Board, Supervisory Board, shareholders, regulatory authorities).
- One Risk understood as an integrated approach to risk management and responsibility towards the clients for all types of risk defined in the Risk Catalogue of mBank Group.
- **Risk vs Rate of Return** perspective understood as a support for the business decision-making process based on the long-term relationship between risk and the rate of return, avoiding tail risks.

### VISION OF THE RISK MANAGEMENT AREA

Engaged and happy employees manage the risk efficiently, boldly and safely.

### Mission of the risk management area

The **Mission** of the risk management area is to be actively involved in the initiatives and actions undertaken while realization of the strategy of mBank Group. This support is organized around challenges facing the risk management area:

- **Employees** I work in a collaborative environment, which develops people who are curious and look for solutions. I acquire new knowledge and skills;
- Client I operate efficiently based on the real needs of different customer groups. I
  make and verify bold hypotheses;
- Strong balance sheet In partnership dialogue, we shape risk appetite which ensures a balance between the level of capital, liquidity and profitability of the bank. I operate on the basis of friendly processes, consistent data, functional tools, reports, clear regulations.



# Main risks of mBank Group's business

The Management Board of mBank takes measures to ensure that the Group manages all material risks arising from the implementation of the adopted strategy of mBank Group, in particular, through approving strategies and processes for managing material risks in the Group.

The following risks were recognized as material in the Group's operations as of December 31, 2019: credit risk, operational risk, market risk, business risk (including strategic risk), liquidity risk, reputation risk, model risk, capital risk (including risk of excessive leverage) and regulatory risk.

The following sections present the rules of monitoring credit, market, liquidity and operational risk in mBank Group. The detailed information on managing the abovementioned risks as well as information concerning the management of other risks (business risk, reputational risk, model risk, capital risk and regulatory risk) are presented in Note 3 of the mBank S.A. Group IFRS Consolidated Financial Statements 2019.

#### **Credit risk**

The bank organises credit risk management processes in line with the principles and requirements set out in the resolutions and recommendations of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA) (in particular Recommendation S, T and C) and CRR/CRDIV, which address issues related to credit risk management.

### **Tools and measures**

Credit risk inherent in financing of mBank Group clients is assessed based on shared statistical models developed for the AIRB (Advanced Internal Rating-Based) approach and uniform tools, and is based on common definitions of terms and parameters used in the credit risk management and rating process. The bank ensures their cohesion at the Group level.

The Group uses different models for particular client segments. The rules governing clear assignment of clients to a system are defined in the bank and the Group subsidiaries internal regulations.

In their credit risk management process, the bank and the Group subsidiaries use the core risk measures defined under the AIRB approach:

- PD Probability of Default (%);
- LGD (Loss Given Default) estimated relative loss in case of default (%);
- EAD (Exposure at Default) estimated exposure at the time of default (amount);
- EL Expected Loss taking into account the probability of default (amount);
- and related measures including:
- RD (Risk Density) relative expected loss defined as EL to EAD (%);
- LAD (Loss at Default) estimated loss (amount) in case of default (the product of EAD and LGD).



In the decision-making process, for reporting and communication with business units, PD and EL are expressed in the language of rating classes whose definitions (Masterscale) are uniform across Commerzbank Group.

In its credit risk management process, the bank also attaches great importance to the assessment of unexpected loss. For this purpose, the bank uses the RWA (Risk Weighted Assets) measure, which is applied, under the AIRB approach, to calculate regulatory capital required to cover credit risk (unexpected loss).

In managing mortgage-secured credit exposures the Group uses the LtV ratio (Loan to Value), i.e. the value of the loan to the market value (or mortgage banking calculated value) of the real estate which secures the loan.

Stress testing is an additional tool of credit risk assessment. Stress testing of the regulatory capital and economic capital required to cover credit risk is carried out quarterly.

In addition to the tools listed above, which are applied both in the corporate and in the retail credit risk measurement, the Group uses tools specific to these areas.

**For corporate credit risk** the Group defines maximum exposure to a client/group of related clients using the following credit risk mitigating measures:

- MBPZO (Maximum Safe Total Exposure), which defines the maximum level of financial debt of an entity from financial institutions calculated under the bank's methodology, approved by the bank's competent decision-making body. An alternative measure used by the bank to clients applying for small exposure is Borrowing Capacity (BC);
- LG (General Limit), which defines the level of credit risk financial exposure to a client/group of related clients acceptable to the Group, approved by the bank's competent decision-making body. LG includes a structured limit and products granted outside the structured limit.

In order to minimise credit risk, the Group uses a broad range of collateral for credit products, which also enable active management of the capital requirement. In the assessment of the quality of collaterals for risk products, mBank and mLeasing use the MRV ratio (Most Realistic Value) reflecting the pessimistic variant of debt recovery from the collateral through forced sale. The RORAC ratio (Return on Risk Adjusted Capital) is applied in the decision-making process and the assessment of profitability of a client in the CRM system.

**Retail credit risk** measures are constructed to reflect the characteristics of this customer segment and, in the case of portfolio measures, the high granularity of the loan portfolio:

 Dtl (Debt-to-Income) - i.e. monthly credit payments to the net income of a household (used for individual customers);



- DPD (Days-Past-Due) a family of portfolio risk measures based on the number of days past due date (e.g. share of contracts which are from 31 to 90 days past due date in the total portfolio by number or by value);
- Vintage ratios, which present the quality of cohorts of loans grouped by disbursement time at a different phase of their lifetime;
- COR (Cost of risk) cost of risk for a loan portfolio (segment), i.e. ratio of provisions result and changes in valuation of contracts based on fair value approach to the exposure;
- Roll-rates, which measure the migration of contracts between days-past-due brackets (1-30, 31-60, 61-90 DPD, etc.).

### Strategy

### **Corporate and Investment Banking**

In accordance with the Corporate Credit Risk Management Strategy in mBank Group, the main goal in this area is defining a safe level of risk appetite in sales of risk-bearing products to the Group clients and use synergies by integrating the offer of the bank and Group subsidiaries. The Strategy is realised by credit risk policies, limits reducing the risk and the principles of risk assessment of business entities applying for financing. The bank manages credit risk both at the single entity level and the consolidated level.

The Group actively manages credit risk aiming to optimise profitability taking into account the cost of risk. In its current credit risk management and determination of concentration risk, the bank performs quarterly portfolio analyses using a Steering Matrix which incorporates PD rating and LAD.

The bank monitors credit portfolio on a quarterly basis including an analysis of the dynamics of change in size and (sector) segmentation of the credit portfolio, client risk (analysis of PD rating), quality of collateral against credit exposures, the scale of change in EL, Risk Density, and default exposures.

The Group strives to avoid concentration in industries and sectors where credit risk is considered excessively high. The bank uses internally defined industry limits for day-to-day management of the sector concentration risk.

In compliance with the Recommendation S of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA), the bank has identified a mortgage-secured credit exposure portfolio in retail and corporate banking and applies the Mortgage-Secured Credit Exposure Risk Management Policy. The bank manages the mortgage-secured credit exposure portfolio risk with a focus on defining an optimised portfolio structure in terms of quality (rating), currencies, country regions, tenors, and types of properties.

For international companies, non-banking financial institutions and biggest corporate clients, mBank Group promotes innovative products with low capital consumption, in

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particular products of investment banking, transactional banking and financial markets instruments.

mBank offers financing alternative to banking loans by arranging public and private programmes and club deals for bonds issued by clients with a stable financial position.

### **Retail Banking**

Lending in retail banking is a key segment of the Group's business model, both in terms of the share in total assets and the contribution to its profits.

As credit exposures are highly granular (more than 2.5 million active loans), the retail banking credit risk management process is based on a portfolio approach. This is reflected in the statistical profile of risk rating models including the models which fulfil the regulatory requirements of the Advanced Internal Ratings-Based approach (AIRB). The AIRB parameters (PD, LGD and EL) are used widely in order to estimate credit requirements, to determine acceptance criteria and terms of transactions, and to report risks.

Furthermore, the Retail Banking credit risk management has the following characteristics:

- high standardisation and automation of the credit process, including decisionmaking, both in acquisition, post-sale services, and debt collection;
- little (as compared to Corporate Banking) discretionary competences in the decisionmaking process (e.g. no discretionary adjustment of clients' ratings);
- extensive risk reporting system based on portfolio analysis of credit exposure quality, including vintage analysis and roll-rates analysis.

The main point of reference in the retail banking credit risk management process is risk appetite defined in correlation with the strategy of mBank Group. The general principle underlying the lending strategy of the Group in terms of sales of retail loans is to address the offer to clients who have an established relationship with the bank or to address it to new clients for whom the loan is a product initiating a long-term relationship of highly transactional nature. Thereby, the bank continues to focus its non-mortgage loans policies on lending to existing clients with a high creditworthiness while systematically growing the acquisition of external clients. As part of these activities, the bank increasingly participates in financing customers making purchases via Internet. To reduce risks of accepting new clients, the bank develops its credit policy using, among others, credit testing and is actively developing its fraud prevention system.

The new acquisition focuses on products which may be financed with issue of mortgage bonds. Those exposures will then be transferred to mBank Hipoteczny in the pooling process to enable the issue of mortgage bonds. The conservative policy of assessing borrowers' reliability and creditworthiness is applied; taking into account, inter alia, current, historically lowest, levels of interest rates, the Group attaches special attention to the application of long-term estimates of interest rate while assessing creditworthiness.



In order to mitigate the risk associated with a decrease in the value of mortgage collateral in relation to the value of credit exposure, the Group's credit offer is (and will be) directed mainly to clients who buy standard properties within large urban areas.

### Quality of mBank Group loan portfolio

As of December 31, 2019, the share of impaired exposures in the total (gross) amount of loans and advances granted to clients (NPL) decreased to 4.5% from 4.8% at the end of 2018. The change of the indicator applies mainly to retail banking and is caused by the realization of debt collection processes, as well as the increase of the retail loan portfolio.

In accordance with the EBA guidelines on management of non-performing and forborne exposures, which came into force from June 30, 2019, Banks are obliged to monitor and manage the NPL portfolio. Banks should strive to maintain the value of the NPL portfolio below the threshold set by the regulator at 5%. As of December 31, 2019, the NPL<sub>REG</sub> radio (ratio calculated according to EBA guidelines) was at 4.0%. The difference between NPL and NPL<sub>REG</sub> ratios results mainly from inclusion of central banks' receivables.

Provisions (defined as credit risk costs for loans and advances to customers, i.e. provisions for loans and advances at amortised cost and fair value change of loans and advances mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss) increased from PLN 3,437.4 million at the end of December 2018 to PLN 3.574.2 million at the end of December 2019.

The coverage ratio (with provisions as defined earlier) decreased in the analysed period from 62.5% in December 2018 to 60.7% in December 2019. The change of the ratio is caused by the sale of the loan portfolio highly covered provisions. The manner of identifying evidence of default is based on all available credit data of a given client and encompasses all of the client's liabilities towards the bank.

The table below presents the quality of mBank Group loan portfolio as at the end of December 2019 and as at the end of December 2018.

Loans and advances to clients 31.12.2019 (PLN thou.)	At amortised cost	At fair value	Loans and advances, total
Gross carrying amount	106,393,532	2,517,750	108,911,282
Non-performing loans and advances	4,343,285	514,222	4,857,507
Non-performing loans ratio (NPL)	4.1%	20.4%	4.5%
Provisions for non-performing loans	-2,619,125	-331,454	-2,950,579
Provisions for performing loans	-571,153	-52,485	-623,638
Coverage ratio	60.3%	64.5%	60.7%
Coverage ratio, including provisions for performing loans	73.5%	74.7%	73.6%



Loans and advances to clients 31.12.2018 (PLN thou.)	At amortised cost	At fair value	Loans and advances, total	
Gross carrying amount	95,059,979	3,134,502	98,194,481	
Non-performing loans and advances	4,185,766	531,615	4,717,381	
Non-performing loans ratio (NPL)	4.4%	17.0%	4.8%	
Provisions for non-performing loans	-2,606,709	-339,358	-2,946,067	
Provisions for performing loans	-435,838	-55,533	-491,371	
Coverage ratio	62.3%	63.8%	62.5%	
Coverage ratio, including provisions for performing loans	72.7%	74.3%	72.9%	

**Non-performing loans and advances** - loans and advances at amortised cost with impairment (basket 3 and POCI) and loans and advances mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss in default

**NPL ratio** – loans and advances at amortised cost with impairment (basket 3 and POCI) and loans and advances mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss in default in the whole portfolio

**Provisions for non-performing loans** – provisions for loans and advances at amortised cost with impairment (basket 3 and POCI) and fair value change of loans and advances mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss in default

**Provisions for performing loans** – provisions for loans and advances at amortised cost without impairment (basket 1 and 2) and fair value change of non-default loans and advances mandatorily at fair value through profit or loss

Coverage ratio - coverage ratio of loans and advances related to the portfolio in default.

# **Market risk**

In the process of organisation of the market risk management, the bank follows requirements resulting from the law and supervisory recommendations, in particular the PFSA Recommendations (among others A, C, G and I) and the EBA guidelines, concerning market risk management.

# **Tools and measures**

In its operations, the bank is exposed to market risk, which is defined as a risk resulting from unfavourable change of the current valuation of financial instruments in the bank's portfolios due to changes of the market risk factors, in particular:

- interest rates;
- foreign exchange rates;
- stock share prices and indices;
- implied volatilities of relevant options;
- credit spreads (to the extent reflecting market fluctuations of debt instruments prices, reflecting credit spread for corporate bonds, and spread between government yield curve and swap curve - for government bonds).



In terms of the banking book, the bank distinguishes the interest rate risk, which defines as the risk of an adverse change in both the current valuation of the banking book position and the net interest income as a result of changes in interest rates.

For the purpose of internal management, the bank quantifies exposure to market risk, both for banking and trading book, by measuring:

- the Value at Risk (VaR);
- expected loss under condition that this loss exceeds Value at Risk (ES Expected Shortfall);
- the Value at Risk in stressed conditions (Stressed VaR);
- economic capital to cover market risk;
- stress tests scenario values;
- portfolio sensitivities to changes of market prices or market parameters (IR BPV Interest Rate Basis Point Value, CS BPV – Credit Spread Basis Point Value).

For the banking book, the bank also uses the following measures (described in more detail in the chapter on interest rate risk):

- sensitivity of the economic value of capital (delta EVE);
- sensitivity of net interest income (delta NII);
- repricing gap.

Measurement and analysis of market risk takes place in two perspectives (including and without taking into account the modelling of stable parts of equity capital and current accounts, insensitive to changes in interest rates), which allows controlling the impact on the market risk level of the applied strategy for stabilising the net interest income.

### Strategy

The implementation of market risk management strategy involves managing the bank's positions in a way enabling to maintain market risk profile within the risk appetite defined by the bank.

The market risk profile is derived from the strategic goals of business units, the decisions of dedicated committees and the limits on market risk exposures established at the level of the bank's organisational units, the mBank Group and the Group entities. The limit system reflects the defined risk appetite in a quantitative manner.

The bank is focused on meeting customers' business needs, while reducing trade in derivatives in terms of currency, currency pairs, nominal values and tenors of transactions, as well as applying the principle of lack of commodity open positions. mBank has limited appetite for currency risk, which is expressed through market risk limits. The bank conducts trading activity on well-known markets using financial instruments the bank has adequate expertise in and that have been approved for trading.



The bank stabilises interest income using long-term fixed-rate assets and derivatives and assuming - for equity capital - the maximum modelled maturity of 10 years and for current accounts - the maximum modelled maturity of 5 years. The management of interest rate risk of the banking book takes into account the economic and accounting perspectives, and the financial instruments used for hedging are adequate to the bank's expertise and have been approved for trading.

The main principle stipulates separation between the market risk monitoring and control functions and the functions related to opening and maintaining open market risk positions. In addition, the bank applies the rule of organisational separation between managing banking book and trading book positions.

### Market risk measurement

The mBank's positions constitute the main source of market risk for the mBank Group.

### Value at risk

In 2019, the market risk exposure, as measured by the Value at Risk (VaR for a 1-day holding period, at 97.5% confidence level), remained at a moderate level in relation to the established VaR limits.

The table below presents VaR and Stressed VaR for the Group's and mBank's portfolios (including modelling of equity capital and current accounts):

	2019			2018				
PLN 000's	mBank Group		mBank		mBank Group		mBank	
	31.12.2019	Mean	31.12.2019	Mean	31.12.2018	Mean	31.12.2018	Mean
VaR IR	4,294	3,840	3,778	3,759	3,223	3,439	3,248	3,443
VaR FX	767	957	728	961	317	427	341	421
VaR EQ	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	51
VaR CS	21,908	21,927	20,989	21,241	18,234	13,674	17,839	13,255
VaR	22,494	21,999	21,978	21,344	18,155	13,768	17,776	13,436
Stressed VaR	97,073	108,369	94,229	104,269	106,235	93,723	104,743	90,316

VaR IR – interest rate risk

VaR FX - FX risk

VaR EQ – stock price risk

VaR CS – credit spread risk

The Value at Risk (VaR) was largely influenced by the portfolios of instruments sensitive to the interest rates and the separate credit spread - mainly the portfolios of the Treasury bonds (in the banking and trading books) and positions resulting from interest rate swap transactions.

### Sensitivities measures



The table presents the values of IR BPV and CS BPV (+1 b.p.) for the Group's and mBank's portfolios, broken down into the banking and trading books (including modelling of equity capital and current accounts):

	IR BPV				CS BPV			
PLN 000's	mBank Group		mBank		mBank Group		mBank	
	31.12.2019	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	31.12.2018	31.12.2019	31.12.2018
Banking	٥٢٢	7 700	267	270	0.700	0.171	0.075	7.057
book	257	7 -306	5 263	-237	-8,302	-8,131	-8,075	-7,957
Trading	56	5 33	56	33	-504	21	-504	21
book	30	) 33	5 50	33	-504		-504	Ζ1
Total	312	2 -273	318	-204	-8,806	-8,110	-8,579	-7,936

The credit spread sensitivity (CS BPV) for the mBank's banking book, results in c.a. 40% from the positions in debt securities valued at amortised cost. Changes in market price have no impact on the revaluation reserve or the income statement for these positions.

### Interest rate risk of the banking book

In 2019, in order to expand the existing portfolio of measures to assess the interest rate risk of the banking book, mBank introduced a new risk measure to quantify net interest income volatility in line with the EBA guidelines. The volatility of net interest income is calculated and monitored over a five-year horizon in the bank's base scenario assuming a normal situation and in more than 20 defined stress-test scenarios. The table below presents the volatility of the net interest income within 12 months horizon, assuming an unfavourable 100 bps change of market interest rates (parallel shift of the curves by 100 bps with floor on product level) and based on a stable portfolio over the period.

PLN M	31.12.2019
	ΔΝΙΙ
PLN	-190.8
USD	-2.1
EUR	-119.2
CHF	+7.9
CZK	-40.5
Other CCY	-0.6
Total	-345.3

### **Liquidity risk**

mBank organises liquidity risk management processes in line with the requirements resulting from the law and supervisory recommendations in particular the PFSA Recommendations (among others P, C, H and S) as well as EBA guidelines concerning liquidity risk management.



#### **Tools and measures**

In its operations, mBank is exposed to liquidity risk, i.e. the risk of being unable to honour its payment obligations, arising from the bank's balance-sheet and off-balance-sheet positions, on terms favourable to the bank and at a reasonable price. In terms of its sources, liquidity risk may result from internal factors (reputational risk resulting for instance in excessive withdrawal of cash by bank clients, materialisation of credit risk) and external factors (turbulences and crises in the financial markets, country risk, turbulences in the operation of clearing systems).

The bank has defined a set of liquidity risk measures and a system of limits, buffers and warning thresholds which protect the bank's liquidity in the event of unfavourable internal or external conditions. Independent measurement, monitoring and controlling of liquidity risk is performed daily by the Balance Risk Management Department. The main measures used in liquidity risk management of the bank include measures based on liquidity gap calculation in LAB methodology, the regulatory measures (M3, M4, LCR) and also NSFR (Net Stable Funding Ratio) for analysis only. LAB measures reflect the projected future cash flow gap of assets, liabilities and off-balance-sheet commitments of the bank, which represent potential risk of being unable to meet liabilities within a specific time horizon and under a certain scenario.

The methodology for measuring the liquidity gap (LAB) includes normal conditions scenario (LAB Base Case) describing the situation under normal conditions, i.e. without specific, negative occurrences. For the purpose of this scenario, no continuation of activity is assumed (the so-called run-off scenario) and stress scenarios, of which the following are limited:

- LAB Bank Stress (short-term) short-term scenario (up to 2 weeks) of the idiosyncratic stress:
- LAB Market Stress (long-term) long-term scenario (up to 2 months) of the market crisis;
- LAB Combined Stress I combined stress scenario that presents the effects of the simultaneous occurrence of short-term idiosyncratic stress and long-term market related stress.

Cash flow projections used in LAB measures are based on crisis scenarios, which include among others excessive withdrawal of cash by the bank's clients and being unable to liquidate some assets due to an external crisis occurring to various extent dependent on assumed scenario.

Moreover, the bank has a process of reporting and monitoring of intraday liquidity position including crisis scenario for intraday liquidity. The reverse stress scenario is the complement of the liquidity stress testing system.

In order to support the process of liquidity risk management, the bank has a system of early warnings indicators (EWI) and recovery indicators. It is composed of indicators



monitoring the level of regulatory and internal limits and additionally, indicators monitoring significant changes of market factors, as well as changes in the bank's balance sheet. Exceedance of thresholds by defined indicators may be a trigger for the launch of the Contingency Plan or the Recovery Plan for mBank Group.

LCR calculation and reporting is carried out in accordance with the Delegated Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/61 of October 10, 2014, which has been in force since October 2015. With the respect of NSFR, the bank reports to the NBP according to the standards established by EBA in 2014, and reports to the PSFA in the form of a dedicated questionnaire.

### Strategy

The liquidity strategy is pursued by active management of the balance sheet structure and future cash flows as well as maintenance of liquidity reserves adequate to liquidity needs depending on the activity of the bank and the current market situation as well as funding needs of the Group subsidiaries. The bank manages liquidity risk at two levels: strategic (within committees of the bank) and operational (Treasury Department).

Liquidity risk limiting covers supervisory (M3, M4, LCR) and internal measures. The liquidity risk internal limit system is based mainly on defining acceptable level of gaps in stress conditions in specific time horizons and for different liquidity risk profiles (for all currencies in aggregate converted to PLN and for individual foreign currencies).

The bank has a centralised approach to the Group's funding management in order to increase the efficiency of liquidity resources used. The subsidiaries are financed by mBank through the Treasury Department. Additionally, mBank Hipoteczny raises funding in the market by issuance of covered bonds and short-term debt securities and mLeasing raises funding by issuance of short-term debt securities.

The bank has the Contingency Plan in case of a threat of losing financial liquidity, which sets the strategy and procedures to be implemented in the event of a situation connected with the risk of losing liquidity by mBank Group and aimed at neutralising this threat. The document defines the division of responsibility for monitoring and identifying threats, and actions during the emergency situation. The Contingency Plan is tested at least annually.

The bank limits the volume and term concentration of foreign currency funding of mBank with FX swaps and CIRS. In addition, the limit is decomposed into individual limits for CIRS and FX swaps as well as limits for funding in EUR and CHF. The structure of these limits reflects the bank's preferences for funding structure in those currencies.

### Measuring mBank's liquidity risk

The liquidity of mBank remained at a safe level in 2019, as reflected in the high surplus of liquid assets over short-term liabilities in LAB measures and in the levels of regulatory measures.



The table below presents the LAB gaps for tenors up to 1M and 1Y and the regulatory measures M3, M4, LCR in 2019:

Measure <sup>1</sup>	31.12.2019
LAB Base Case 1M	14 683
LAB Base Case 1Y	12 849
M3	4,30
M4	1,38
LCR	169%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> LAB measures are shown in PLN million; M3, M4 and LCR are relative measures presented as a decimal.

### Measuring the Group's liquidity risk

The Group's liquidity risk measurement includes in addition mBank Hipoteczny and mLeasing. mBank monitors liquidity risk of the subsidiaries to protect liquidity also at the Group level in the event of adverse events (crises). The Group's liquidity was at a safe level in 2019, as reflected in the high surplus of liquid assets over short-term liabilities in the LAB measures and the LCR calculated at the Group level.

The table below presents the LAB gaps for tenors up to 1M and 1Y and the LCR at mBank Group level:

Measure <sup>1</sup>	31.12.2019
LAB Base Case 1M	16,536
LAB Base Case 1Y	14,925
LCR Group	190%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> LAB measures are shown in PLN million; LCR is relative measure presented as a decimal.

# **Operational risk**

mBank organises the operational risk management process taking into account the rules and requirements set out in external regulations, in particular in the Recommendations M, H and D of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA), CRR Regulation and Regulation of the Minister of Development and Finance (on the risk management system and internal control system, remuneration policy and detailed method of estimating internal capital in banks), which constitute a starting point for the framework of the operational risk control and management system in mBank Group.

### **Tools and measures**



In order to effectively manage operational risk, the bank applies quantitative and qualitative methods and tools, which intend to cause-oriented operational risk management.

The basic qualitative tool is the Internal Control System Self-Assessment carried out by the bank's organisational units and the Group subsidiaries. The Self-Assessment process aims to provide communication about the need to change and improve control processes, and thus a more pro-active approach to operational risk management and increasing operational risk awareness in mBank Group. The end result of the Self-Assessment is the evaluation of risks, control mechanisms and independent monitoring of control mechanisms as well as the creation of corrective action plans aimed at changing the structure or the optimization of the control mechanisms and their independent monitoring.

The bank also prepares scenario analyses describing risks associated with rare operational risk events with potentially very serious consequences.

In accordance with the requirements of Recommendation M, the bank has a process for identifying threats associated with operational risk in all relevant areas of the bank's operations and for creating new and modifying existing products, processes and systems, as well as for changes in the organisational structure.

Quantitative tools include mainly collection of data on operational events and effects. With the use of the database available at mBank Group, data on operational risk losses are recorded with an emphasis on the cause. Recorded data are analysed by the Integrated Risk Management Department and at organisational units. This approach allows organisational units to carry out ongoing monitoring of their current risk profile. mBank has an access to external operational loss databases and applies them to analyse operational risk and potential threats, that institutions operating in the financial sector are exposed to.

The key risk indicators (KRI) are another tool. Ongoing monitoring of risk factors recognized as key at the given moment allows for prediction of an increased level of operational risk and adequate response by the organisational units in order to avoid the occurrence of operational events and losses.

#### Strategy

The organisation of the operational risk control and management system is aimed at enabling effective control and management of this risk at every level of the bank's organisational hierarchy. The structure of operational risk control and management covers in particular the role of the Management Board of the bank, the Business and Risk Forum, the Chief Risk Officer, the Integrated Risk Management Department, and the



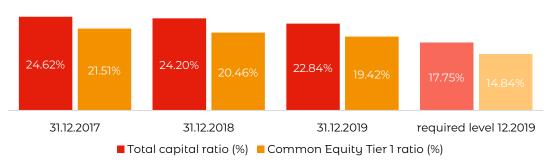
tasks assigned to persons managing operational risk in particular organisational units and business areas of the bank. The operational risk control and management process at the bank is developed and coordinated by the central operational risk control function while operational risk management takes place in every organisational unit of the bank and in every subsidiary of mBank Group. It consists in identifying and monitoring operational risk and taking actions aimed to avoid, mitigate or transfer operational risk. The operational risk control process is supervised by the Supervisory Board of the bank through its Risk Committee.



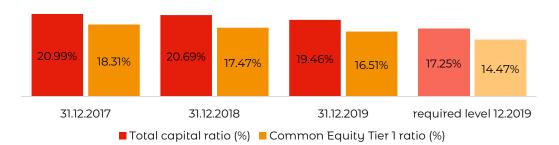
#### **Capital adequacy**

One of the bank's main tasks is to ensure an adequate level of capital. As part of the capital management policy, the bank creates a framework and guidelines for the most effective planning and use of the capital base. The strategic goals of mBank and mBank Group are aimed at maintaining the total capital ratio as well as the Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio above the levels required by the supervision authority. This allows to maintain business development while meeting the supervisory requirements in the long perspective.

#### Capital adequacy of mBank



#### Capital adequacy of mBank Group



The capital ratios of mBank Group in 2019 were driven by the following factors:

- inclusion, in Common Equity Tier 1 capital, of the remaining part (not included earlier) of the net profit of mBank Group for the year 2018 as approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders;
- inclusion in the calculation of own funds of the amount of impairment or reversal of impairment of financial assets not measured at fair value in the financial result in 2019;
- expansion of mBank Group business activity;
   implementation from January 1, 2019 of the International Financial Reporting
   Standard 16.



mBank Group is obligated to maintain own funds on the level exceeding regulatory and supervisory requirements. Consequently the level of the required capital ratios encompasses:

- the basic requirement resulting from CRR provisions to maintain the total capital ratio of 8% and the Tier 1 ratio of 6%;
- the additional capital charge in Pillar II with regard to FX mortgage loan portfolio 3.11% at the level of total capital ratio and 2.33% at the level of Tier 1 capital on consolidated basis (and on individual basis 3.62% and 3.71% accordingly), according to the PFSA decision of November 5, 2019, and the subsequent communication of November 18, 2019;
- the combined buffer requirement of additional 6.14% (on consolidated basis), which consists of:
  - a. the capital conservation buffer (2.50%);
  - b. the other systemically important institution's buffer (0.75%) according to the PFSA decision, in 2016 mBank had been identified as other systemically important institution (O-SII) subject to a capital buffer; according to the PFSA decision of October 14, 2019, the capital buffer amounted to 0.75%;
  - c. systemic risk buffer (2.83%) due to the fact that not all exposures are located in Poland, due to mBank two foreign branches in Czech Republic and in Slovakia, the systemic risk buffer rate applicable to mBank Group amounted to 2.83% in December 2019;
  - d. countercyclical capital buffer (0.06%).

On individual basis the value of the combined buffer requirement is 6.13% mainly due to a lower, than at the Group level, value of the systemic risk buffer (2.81%) and higher countercyclical capital buffer (0.07%).

Capital ratios, both on consolidated and individual basis, were above the values required throughout the 2019. With a considerable surplus of own funds mBank Group comfortably meets the additional own funds requirement and the combined buffer requirement.

The consolidated leverage ratio calculated in accordance with the provisions of the CRR Regulation and the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/62 of October 10, 2014, amending Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the leverage ratio, including provisions regarding transitional period, amounted to 8.25%. The stand-alone leverage ratio amounted to 8.60%.

More details on capital adequacy of mBank Group at the end of 2019 can be found in the <u>Disclosures regarding capital adequacy</u>.



## **Policies and procedures**

#### mBank's personal data security policy



Efficient protection of consumers' data and privacy is a fundamental precondition of credibility of financial service providers. We know how important it is for our clients. Personal data of European Union nationals, including Poles, are strictly protected. mBank respects all rights of its clients according to mBank's personal data security policy.

The policy is based on the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and incorporates the GDPR provisions and the rights of data subjects. mBank has appointed a Data Protection Office who is available at <a href="mailto:inspektordanychosobowych@mbank.pl">inspektordanychosobowych@mbank.pl</a>. For details of data protection and enforcement at mBank, visit our website: <a href="https://www.mbank.pl/rodo/strona-glowna/">https://www.mbank.pl/rodo/strona-glowna/</a>.

#### Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-terrorism Financing Policy at mBank

mBank follows the law and standards set for financial institutions. We focus in particular on anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing. In this regard, we pursue Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-terrorism Financing Policy at mBank.

mBank follows an anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing programme which is consistent with national and EU regulations. To prevent money laundering and financing of terrorism, mBank is required by the programme:

- to identify and verify the identity of our clients,
- to identify and verify the identity of beneficial owners of our clients,
- to identify and verify our clients and their beneficial owners according to the criteria of politically exposed persons (PEP),
- to identify the risk of money laundering and financing of terrorism,



- we refuse to work with clients where we identify risks of money laundering and/or financing of terrorism,
- we monitor clients' transactions to protect mBank from money laundering and financing of terrorism,
- we regularly train our employees. Training is organised and monitored by the Compliance Department.

All mBank employees are responsible for the implementation of the programme. In particular, account managers and client advisors are responsible for regular identification of clients' identity. The President of the Management Board is responsible, under a resolution of the Management Board, for the implementation of the obligations under the AML Act according to the AML programme. The Chief AML Officer at the Compliance Department is responsible for compliance of the bank, its employees and associates with the anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing regulations. Regional AML Officers, AML Officers, and Deputy AML Officers report to the Chief AML Officer.

#### mBank's conflict of interest management policy

The policy defines the standards and procedures for the avoidance, identification, and management of conflicts of interest. mBank's procedures ensure that conflicts of interest are resolved according to the principle of equal treatment of clients and that mBank, its employees and associates do not obtain benefits or avoid losses at the expense of clients.

Reliable conflict of interest management is a part of the corporate culture and a responsibility of mBank employees across all levels of the organisation. In particular, members of the bank's Management Board and directors of mBank's units must participate in the identification of conflicts of interest, implementation of measures necessary to prevent conflicts of interest, and management of actual conflicts of interest.

Members of mBank's supervisory board and Management Board have special responsibilities. They are required to report an actual or potential conflict of interests and to refrain from participating in discussions and voting on matters which could cause a conflict of interest in relations with mBank clients or with mBank.

According to the policy, the Management Board has made the Compliance Department responsible for management of conflicts of interest in the bank. In particular, it is responsible for monitoring internal regulations and IT solutions, consulting services for the organisation, controls, training, and recommendations. The Compliance Department is responsible for reviewing any reported conflict of interest, issuing recommendations concerning the course of action, and monitoring the implementation of recommendations. The Compliance Department reviews the policy to ensure its adequacy and effectiveness at least on an annual basis.

We use information barriers in order to restrict the flow of confidential information, client information and client transactions.



#### Compliance policy at mBank

The compliance policy defines the general framework for compliance of mBank with laws, internal regulations, and market standards. All employees of the bank are responsible for implementation of the compliance policy depending on their responsibilities and powers. mBank employees are responsible for the identification, assessment, estimation, controlling, and monitoring of the risk of non-compliance with laws, internal regulations and market standards, and for quarterly risk reporting to the Compliance Department. The internal control system includes three lines of defence. On the first line of defence, compliance is ensured by operations employees. As a second line of defence, compliance risk is monitored by compliance officers and the Compliance Department. The third line of defence is the Internal Audit Department. The Supervisory Board exercises oversight over the effectiveness of the internal control system. The Management Board of the bank is responsible for effective management of compliance risk and for the evaluation of compliance risk on the basis of annual reports presented by the Director of the Compliance Department.

In addition to the responsibilities of the Management Board and the Compliance Department, the directors of organisational units are also responsible for the implementation of the compliance policy. They are responsible for organising their employees in such a way as to ensure compliance with laws, internal regulations, market standards accepted by mBank, guidelines and recommendations of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA) and other authorities competent in the area of the given unit.

#### mBank's remuneration policy

The remuneration rules for mBank employees are defined in mBank's remuneration policy. The policy is designed to support strong employee engagement by providing market-based remuneration packages adequate to employees' contribution; to retain the best employees; and to attract talent to the organisation in traineeship and secondment programmes. The policy defines the rules ensuring protection of rights and interests of clients and preventing conflicts of interest. The Management Board of the bank is responsible for the development and implementation of the policy. The Management Board reviews the implementation of the policy on an annual basis and resents proposed amendments for review and approval to the Remuneration Committee of the Bank's Supervisory Board. The policy is reviewed at least on annual basis by the Internal Audit Department, which presents its findings to the Supervisory Board of the bank. The Supervisory Board approves the remuneration policy and consults the Remuneration Committee if necessary. Employees in management positions who are the bank's risk takers are additionally covered by mBank's risk taker remuneration policy.



In addition to the remuneration policy, mBank also follows mBank's Employee Remuneration Rules and mBank's Employee Bonus Rules.

#### mBank's work rules

mBank's work rules define the responsibilities of the employer and employees. In line with labour law, mBank's work rules govern the organisation of work at the bank and the conclusion of employment agreements. mBank's work rules define matters relating to full or part-time employment and working hours, work attendance, holidays, remuneration, awards and bonuses, liability for breach of employee's obligations, occupational health and safety, fire protection, protection of women and minors at work.

The President of the Management Board or a Management Board Member or Managing Director authorised by the President oversees the implementation of the rules at the bank with the support of employees of the Employee Development and Organisational Culture Department and directors of the bank's units who monitor compliance with the rules in their units on an on-going basis. The work rules apply to all employees of the bank working under employment agreements irrespective of position, full or part-time employment, and term of the agreement. They are required to comply with the rules and need to sign a declaration to that effect no later than the first day of work. mBank's work rules were implemented and are updated in form of an Order of the President of the Management Board.

#### mBank's Workers' Council rules

mBank employees are represented by the Workers' Council established under the Act of April 7, 2006, on employee information and consultation. The Workers' Council is comprised of 7 members elected by all employees for a term of four years. Its responsibilities include consulting the employer on the status quo, structure and expected changes of employment and matters which could cause significant changes to the organisation or the basis of employment. The Workers' Council operates under an agreement with the bank.

#### **Anti-mobbing policy**

As an employer, mBank strives to create a work environment free of mobbing and other forms of violence caused by superiors and colleagues.

The key focus of the policy is as follows:

- mBank does not tolerate mobbing or any other forms of violence.
- Employees must refrain from any action or behaviour which meets the criteria of mobbing or other forms of violence.
- Anyone who creates conditions that encourage mobbing or resorts to mobbing is in violation of the fundamental employee obligations. In that case, as an employer, mBank may impose sanctions under the labour law and mBank's work rules.



The policy defines the criteria of mobbing and the reporting process (anonymous or not, at the choice of the reporting employee) for employees who claim that they have been mobbed. Complaints are reviewed by the Anti-mobbing Committee comprised of directors or their substitutes from the Employee Development and Organisational Culture Department, the Compliance Department, the Legal Department, the Marketing Communication Department, and mBank's Ethics Officer, excluding anyone whose legal or factual relationship with the complainant could affect the objectivity and impartiality of the Committee.

## Policy for the assessment of qualifications (suitability) of members of the supervisory body, management body and key function holders at mBank S.A.

The suitability policy defines transparent and precise procedures for the selection, assessment of suitability, and succession of mBank's key function holders. It specifies the qualifications required in each position, good repute, and no conflict of interest during employment. The policy sets requirements for succession in key positions and defines the procedure of handling vacancies. The suitability criteria for the Management Board and the Supervisory Board include a comprehensive and diverse membership among others in terms of gender, age, and professional experience. One of the sections in the policy is dedicated to diversity. Regarding gender diversity, the policy sets a joint target of at least 30% women on the Management Board and the Supervisory Board by 2028. It recommends that at least one member of the Management Board should be a woman.

We signed the Diversity Charter in January 2018, joining an international initiative for social cohesion and equality supported in Poland by the Responsible Business Forum. As a member of the initiative, we support diversity and prevent discrimination at work.

#### mBank's anti-corruption policy

The policy provides guidelines for the identification and mitigation of corruption risks, the key principles of the code of ethics, and related responsibilities. No Management Board member, manager, employee or associate may justify corruption or bribery by invoking mBank's interest.

mBank follows a policy of zero tolerance for all forms of corruption, including accepting, offering, requesting, granting and giving consent for additional benefits, objects or payments in order to:

- unlawfully influence a decision,
- obtain or secure an illegal business advantage,
- gain personal benefits.

mBank's Management Board and employees are required to avoid conflicts of personal and professional interest. They are prohibited from offering any undue benefits, in particular to central or local government officials, civil servants, and politicians.



mBank prevents corruption in a system of three lines of defence. The first line of defence is comprised of the bank's organisational units. The second line of defence is the Compliance Department which is responsible for setting and monitoring standards of compliance with anti-corruption laws and regulations. The third line of defence is the Internal Audit Department, which evaluates the adequacy and effectiveness of the bank's anti-corruption system.

The Management Board and employees report actual or suspected incidents of corruption to the direct superior or the Compliance Department. Reports may be lodged anonymously in the mSygnal system, which is also available online to third parties. We review all reports with due diligence and in confidence. Units involved in a case of noncompliance take steps to clarify all circumstances and to secure evidence. In case of a suspected crime, the director of the relevant unit provides the file to the Compliance Department, which reports to the law enforcement services if the suspicion is confirmed. The Compliance Department maintains records of corruption procedures. Anyone attempting to engage or engaged in corruption is subject to the procedure defined in labour law and mBank's work rules. The Director of the Compliance Department immediately reports a corruption case to the member of the Management Board responsible for the given area. In case of high reputational risk or where the incident involves a Management Board Member, the Director of the Compliance Department additionally notifies the Chairman of the Supervisory Board. Moreover, the Compliance Department may take independent steps, irrespective of any reports filed by units of the bank, to detect cases of corruption.

The bank expects its business partners (vendors, contractors, service providers who work with mBank and with its clients on behalf of the bank) to comply with the policy. Anti-corruption provisions are included in each contract between the bank and a business partner.

#### Fraud Prevention Policy at mBank and whistleblowing

The policy defines who, and how, is responsible for fraud prevention. The bank follows a policy of zero tolerance for all fraud and attempted fraud by the bank's employees, clients, contractors, and third parties. mBank requires fair and lawful behaviour of all its employees, clients, and business partners.

mBank's fraud risk management cycle covers four stages:

- fraud prevention risk assessment, early identification, and clear rules and mechanisms mitigating risk;
- fraud detection implementation of fraud controls, monitoring systems and reporting channels;
- fraud management every case of suspected crime to the detriment of mBank or its client is investigated and necessary steps are taken, including legal measures;
- response clear rules for mitigating loss or damage, corrective mechanisms, lessons learned.



mBank has implemented an electronic whistleblowing system, which ensures anonymity of whistle-blowers. It is accessible on all internet-enabled devices:

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sustem.net/bkwebanon/report/clientInfo?cin=2brebank11&language=pol.

Whistleblowing rules and the procedures for reviewing reports are defined in internal regulations as follows:

- the identity of the whistle-blower and the person concerned is strictly confidential: their data must not be disclosed to third parties unless required by law;
- the whistle-blower may set up an anonymous inbox to receive updates on actions taken in reaction to the report and/or to provide additional details;
- every whistleblowing report is reviewed by authorised staff to ensure an objective, fair and impartial investigation;
- mBank employees who report suspected fraud in good faith are protected from any form of repression.

Reports are initially reviewed by staff of the Compliance Department. Filed in the system or otherwise, reports are investigated by authorised officers, as the case may be: employees of the Employee Development and Organisational Culture Department, employees of the Foreign Branches, the Ethics Officer, and employees of the Compliance Department. If a report is confirmed, the case is escalated according to the law and the bank's internal regulations.

The rules for reporting fraud to the Management Board and the Supervisory Board are also clearly defined. They cover regular and ad-hoc reports.

#### mBank's gift policy

mBank's policy concerning presentation and acceptance of gifts (gift policy) sets clear and coherent standards for the presentation and acceptance of gifts by mBank employees.

Gifts, including entertainment, are a lawful customary business practice. However, gifts could also be used to obtain illegal gains. mBank follows a policy of zero tolerance for all forms of corruption. Employees may present and accept gifts only in accordance with the gift policy.

According to the policy, mBank employees are allowed:

- to accept and present small corporate gifts customary in business relations up to predefined limits;
- to participate in conferences organised by business partners. Event topics must be consistent with the participating employee's professional responsibilities. mBank covers the cost of transport and accommodation at such events.

According to the policy, mBank employees are not allowed:

• to accept and present gifts in the form of cash or cash equivalents;



- to present or accept any gifts to/from other mBank employees if such gifts could be considered a form of influence over their due execution of relevant processes;
- to accept gifts from mBank's business partners;
- to present gifts to central and local government officials in connection with their functions.

The Compliance Department maintains records of accepted and presented gifts. The Compliance Department regularly monitors compliance with the gift policy and reports on the implementation of the policy to the bank's Management Board and Supervisory Board as a part of its compliance risk management reporting.

#### **Global sanction policy**

mBank identifies its clients and monitors persons and entities participating in transactions in accordance with sanction lists of the European Union, the United States, and the United Nations in order to ensure compliance with the applicable laws imposing special restrictions. The Compliance Department provides guidelines and instructions, informs other departments and subsidiaries about business policy restrictions imposed by sanctions, provides advice, and monitors compliance. We comply with sanction regulations by identifying clients and beneficial owners, and by identifying and refusing to execute transactions violating sanctions. We inform clients about sanction regulations and train the bank's employees accordingly. Every employee of the bank is required to read and strictly comply with the policy.

mBank closely monitors existing business relations in sanction countries and takes necessary measures, up to termination of relations.

#### mBank's disclosure obligations

mBank has implemented the requirements imposed among others under the Act on Trading in Financial Instruments, MAR, and the Act on Public Offering.

We comply with the disclosure requirements because:

- we are a public company, that is, an issuer of securities admitted to trading on the regulated market;
- we carry out brokerage activities;
- we carry out custodial activities;
- we carry out activities referred to in Article 70(2) of the Act on Trading in Financial Instruments.

According to the law, information concerning certain events relating to mBank's activity is classified as inside information. In such cases, we file a mandatory current report with the Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA), the Warsaw Stock Exchange (GPW), and the Polish Press Agency (PAP). The same concerns certain other events which are not classified as inside information. We are required to file reports with PFSA concerning events relating to brokerage activities, custodial activities, and investment activities. Each



unit of mBank concerned by or aware of such event is required to report it to the Compliance Department.

Failure to report, late reporting, and undue reporting generate the risk of financial penalties for mBank. In that case, the risk of financial penalties also affects:

- the persons providing information for a report;
- the members of the Management Board responsible for the given area.

mBank keeps records of persons discharging managerial responsibilities within the meaning of MAR.

#### **Principles for suppliers**

mBank's vendors and suppliers are required to comply with the law, labour law, human rights law, to protect the environment, to avoid discrimination, and to comply with anti-corruption law.

mBank pursues its business according to ethical and responsibility standards defined among others in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Labour Organisation standards, and the OECD guidelines (in particular, anti-corruption guidelines).

Every supplier participating in procurement or performing a contract with mBank is required to comply with the guidelines and ensure compliance by its subcontractors.

The guidelines in particular include:

- 1) the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- 2) the International Labour Organisation standards;
- 3) the OECD guidelines (in particular, anti-corruption guidelines);
- 4) the Rio Declaration on the Environment and Development Agenda 21;
- 5) the United Nations Convention against Corruption;
- 6) international trade sanctions and embargoes, including sanctions which may apply under resolutions of the UN Security Council according to Chapter VII of the UN Charter, or any sanctions imposed by the European Union;
- 7) acts of national law implementing the above, as well as rules and regulations, in particular conflict of management rules and regulations.

## Policy for services and financing of entities which carry out activities in sensitive areas related to mBank's reputation risk

The policy imposes restrictions on the provision of services to companies in socially controversial sectors which are in breach of the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact.

Such restrictions concern opening of accounts as well as lending in the case of companies, including existing clients of mBank, whose activities:

 involve child labour or forced labour or result in other manifest violations of human rights;



- focus on economic exploitation of valuable natural areas;
- pose a risk to the global cultural heritage.

We do not establish business relations with any entities operating in countries, on which UN imposed sanctions.

#### Rules of lending to the defense industry

In its relations with operators in the defence industry, mBank takes into consideration political, social, ethical, and environmental factors which could affect its reputation. In the defence industry, mBank in general accepts transactions with public entities: government agencies, state-owned companies, etc.

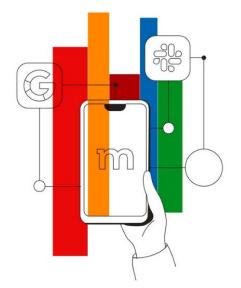


### **Outlook**

# Growth fuelled by our clients – new strategy for 2020-2023



In December 2019, we adopted the new Strategy of mBank Group for 2020-2023 titled "Growth fuelled by our clients". It was developed as our response to the current changes in the market and regulatory environment and the expected trends in the future.



We took into account, among others, economic prospects, technological progress, evolution of consumer behaviour and expectations, local constraints as well as internal conditions. Building upon the experience gathered during the implementation of the previous strategy, we confirm that mBank Group's mission and values continue to be valid under the new plan.

The macroeconomic and regulatory environment in Europe is becoming increasingly demanding for the banking sector. Although Poland remains the leader of economic growth and the central bank keeps positive interest rates, GDP growth in subsequent years will be lower than in the past. In the long run,

the challenge will be also an ageing population. In addition, banks is also subject to competitive pressure from the so-called fintechs. These entities are characterised by light structures, innovativeness and the use of new technologies. At the same time, they are



subject to less regulatory rigour, which makes it easier for them to compete with traditional banks in terms of selected products and services.

The threat may be also technological giants from the United States and China, i.e. the so-called GAFA (American Google, Apple, Facebook, Amazon) and BAT (Chinese Baidu, Alibaba and Tencent). They have an access to unique data in real time and a huge base of potential customers as well as the ability to deal with large volumes of information. This gives the opportunity to analyse and assess the creditworthiness of individuals and companies, which until recently was a competence reserved for banks. It shows that the financial market will undergo an intensifying transformation.

In the strategy for 2020-2023, we will focus on 4 areas, corresponding to the key components of its business model:

- Client (acquisition and long-term relationships): As a bank, we will be growing organically by constant attracting new clients (especially young and firms) and strengthening our position in the 30-45 age group. We will improve the retention of individual customers by developing products that anchor them in the bank at particular stages of their life cycle. In the corporate segment, we will shape our customer portfolio by anticipating trends and changes in the market environment, while maintaining a high diversification of exposures. We will expand our knowledge of customers in order to more precisely identify and satisfy their needs by constructing a personalised offer. In pursuance of the assumptions of empathy, we will communicate with our clients in an understandable way and distinguish ourselves by the transparency of the offer, including our pricing policy.
- Platform (ecosystem and user experience): We will be constantly improving remote bank access channels and promote digital self-service. We will give the leading role to the mobile application, which will have the same scope of functionality as the Internet banking service, while contact center and outlets will play a supportive role. We will be developing the retail platform by supplementing it with value-added services and the offer of selected partners, including non-financial ones. Focused on providing convenience, ease and speed of use, we will build the best digital banking for corporations in Poland.
- Efficiency (operational advantage): We will maintain the technological advantage in the financial sector. We will rely on agile interdisciplinary teams to design and deliver end-to-end solutions. We will modify IT architecture using industry best practices. We will increase the digital self-service of our customers while optimising our sales network. We will improve the operational efficiency of mBank by implementing automation on a large scale and simplifying processes.
- **Employees and organisation culture**: We will ensure that the work environment and its organisation in mBank Group will foster efficiency, cooperation, high engagement and the creation of innovative solutions. We want to make managers think outside the box and inspire development, and employees who seek new solutions and take



care of our clients. We will use technology to relieve employees from routine tasks and implement automated tools to facilitate compliance with regulations.

For the first time, **the ESG/CSR strategy** has also become an integral part of the document. As mBank Group, we intend to conduct our business in accordance with the principles of sustainable development. We want to educate, take care of the climate and the environment and promote prosperity. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which are global sustainability targets set by the United Nations to be achieved by 2030, were our guidelines in formulating them.

Our activities in the CSR area will be centered around 3 aspects:

#### mBank educates

We want to help developing mathematical skills of children and adolescents. We trust that such knowledge affects a high level of competence in adult life and facilitates a good start in professional career. Mathematical thinking also helps in decision-making on personal finance issues. We believe that everyone, regardless of their place of residence and origin, should have equal access to quality education. Through the activities of mFundacja, we will continue to strive to equalize opportunities for students, irrespective of their stage of education and place of living. We will organize national competitions and grant programs.

We want to provide the users with knowledge on how to safely use internet and mobile banking as well as make our clients aware of cybercrime threats. For this purpose, we will continue with our social campaigns, informing how to avoid the unwanted consequences of the online activities and protect the finances.

#### mBank cares about the climate and the environment

We want to encourage the behaviours that help to stop and reverse adverse climate and environmental changes. We will pursue an active credit policy towards clients who seek financing for pro-ecological industrial, infrastructural and housing investments, including special programs directed to renewable energy sources and issue of green bonds. We will implement investment strategies in instruments based on ESG analysis and offer product solutions that build the pro-environmental awareness of consumers. We will implement credit policy for industries relevant to EU climate policy and strive for further presence in the WIG-ESG index.

We will measure and gradually reduce our total carbon footprint. We will limit electricity and energy consumption, thanks to progressive replacement of the current equipment with more modern ones, introduction of innovative solutions in our buildings, use of office space in energy-efficient buildings with high thermal insulation parameters. We will save water and sensitize employees to the need for rational use of it. We will reduce the use of paper and office supplies, modifying business processes in order to further digitize documents. We plan to successively replace our car fleet with low-emission vehicles, and take care of their regular service and technical condition. We will establish a supplier selection and cooperation system that takes ESG aspects into account.



#### mBank promotes prosperity

We are a signatory to the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact. In accordance with them, we want to grow in a sustainable manner, make the world a better place and contribute to the prosperity of our stakeholders: customers, employees, investors, partners and the society.

Investment in health serves the achievement of this goal. Therefore we will continue our cooperation with the Great Orchestra of Christmas Charity, which has been providing hospitals and clinics with modern medical equipment for 28 years. We want to conduct inclusive banking and be accessible to customers with disabilities. We have introduced a service for people with hearing impairments in sign language. We will adjust mBank's transactional services to the needs of visually impaired people. Our outlets and headquarters will be adapted for people with reduced mobility. We speak about our products and services using clear and simple language in accordance with mKanon. We will be guided by ethical values in our dealings with the customers. We also want to promote equality and diversity in our organisation, assisting development of women and eliminating pay inequalities in the same positions. We will carry out activities that support women entrepreneurs.

# Pillars of the strategy and main directions of development

In view of the dynamically changing business and regulatory environment, mBank Group will be monitoring and actively responding to market opportunities and threats. As a universal bank, we will provide a full range of products and services through all access channels. Our growth will be fuelled by new and existing, retail and corporate, clients. Therefore, we will remain focused on acquisition in the target segments and the development of long-term customer relationships. The key challenge for the coming years will be to maintain mBank's market position in the conditions of unfavourable demographic dynamics.

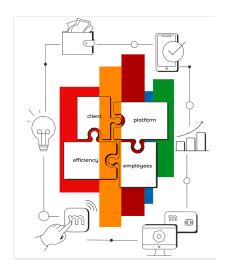
In line with the market perception of our brand, we intend to be a modern, technologically advanced and friendly bank, which offers products that are understandable to the customer as well as fast, intuitive solutions. Due to the better use of data, the service will become more personalised. The transactionality will remain a key element of our development, as it is a space of daily, most frequent interactions between the bank and the customer. We will build our offer based on the mobile first paradigm, increasing the share of sales and services in the digital area. We want to be appreciated for our quality, professionalism, innovation, reliability and security. In our



## daily operations, we will take into account the aspects of corporate social responsibility and sustainable development.

At mBank, "we are distinguished by people", and their commitment, competence and work input are the foundations of our achievements. Therefore, we want to recruit and retain employees with a specific profile that match our values and challenges for the future. Adjustments to the organisational structure, promotion of internal transfers or projects implemented jointly by people from different areas will support the culture of cooperation within the Group.

In financial terms, we will focus on building the long-term value of the company, backed by a positive trajectory of the results. Our revenues will be growing faster than costs, translating into further improvement in efficiency. We intend to increase business volumes and our market share and at the same time take care of efficient use of capital. A change in the structure of the loan portfolio and the entire balance sheet will have a positive impact on margin and profitability. Our goal is to ensure a satisfactory return for mBank's shareholders.



Key initiatives and business activities which we intend to undertake and execute in the horizon of this strategy have been grouped into 4 strategic blocks:

#### Client (acquisition and long-term relation development)

#### Our goals:

- to grow organically through the continuous acquisition of new customers and strengthen our position in the most profitable age group of 30-45. We want to maintain our advantage in the acquisition in the segment of young people (aged 13-28 years) and start-ups, as well as a high share in the e-commerce market. With relatively high penetration in large agglomerations, we want to strengthen our position in mid-sized cities. Leveraging on the social role of parents who are mBank's clients, we plan to faster enter into relations with clients aged 8-13. We will solicit the segment of professionals providing services for other entrepreneurs (e.g. accountants).
- to improve customer retention and loyalty throughout their life cycle. We want to systematically recognise the needs of our customers at every stage of their lives and satisfy them in the most appropriate form, so that they do not look for products and services in other banks. We will make the offer more attractive so that it includes aspects that are important from the point of view of accumulating funds and the challenges of ageing and inheritance. At the same time, we will focus on the products



- anchoring the client in the bank, in particular convenient mortgage loan, savings and investments.
- to increase the likelihood of recommending mBank's services by our clients. We will focus our activities on increasing customer confidence. We intend to provide a sense of security with reliable technological banking solutions and services supporting data and financial security in the digital world. We want to act in a predictable manner and represent a uncompromising business ethics as well as eliminate waiting and unnecessary efforts of the customer. We will appreciate loyalty and personalize clients' experiences.
- to create a platform for cooperation with corporate clients based on partnership, convenience and professionalism. The strength of our relational banking is trust based on advisors' competences and experience, therefore we will promote proactive attitude of our employees and we expect their involvement in understanding the customers' business. We intensify activities aimed at the development of knowledge and the flow of experience. As a bank we want to be useful and perceived as an efficiently operating part of the enterprise.
- to shape the portfolio of corporate clients anticipating trends and changes in the environment. Preferred industries, in which we want to develop, include: e-commerce, renewable energy sources and businesses engaged in energy transformation, financing of automation and digitalisation solutions, new technologies, health care and leisure time industry. We strive to assure that our portfolio comprises dynamic companies with an attractive and prospective business profile. At the same time, we will continue to maintain a high diversification of credit exposures in order to ensure the long-term security of the bank.
- to extend our knowledge about the customers in both segments. We will organise the available data in order to create useful information that we will use to providing the customers with better service and looking for areas for further growth. We will complement the clients' assessment models with parameters resulting from the prediction of their behaviour.
- to continue the principles of empathy in contacts with customers as well as take care of the transparency of the offer. We will communicate in a clear and understandable way, explaining the circumstances of bank's decisions and providing the clients with all the necessary information. We will simplify the offer in each business line, including the price list and tariffs.
- to shape the positive image of the bank and make the brand appealing for retail and corporate customers. We will maintain the already existing positive associations with mBank and make up for certain shortcomings by adding attributes that we lack. We intend to rely more on the feedback provided by customers (based on the knowledge from contact center, complaints, evaluations and conversations with advisors) in order to excel the organisation in accordance with their expectations.

#### Platform (ecosystem, user experience)



#### Our goals:

- to continuously improve remote bank access channels using the digital first (mobile first) approach. The mobile application, equipped with the same range of functionalities as online banking, will be given a leading role in finance management, whereas contact center and branches will support remote channels and serve to solve problems. We will add digital assistance in the service model. We will accelerate the transformation of the distribution structure to reach an average of 80% of sales in digital channels (own channels and API) and 50% in mobile mode within 4 years.
- to develop mBank's retail platform by complementing it with additional products and services, including non-financial ones, in order to ensure complete customer service. We want to use the transaction-related moments effectively for the contextual presentation of our offer of unsecured loans and their sales through mobile channels. We are striving to provide the most convenient and fast mortgage loan on the market. We will expand our offer through selective partnerships with the use of API and cooperation with mAccelerator fund.
- to build the best digital banking offer for corporations in Poland. Our guiding principle will be simplification first and then digitisation. We want to retain only the necessary steps, data and documents. Our work will include improvement of customer contact channels with the bank (internet transactional platform mBank CompanyNet and mobile application), as well as internal sales, after-sales and credit processes (for K3 as well as K1 and K2 clients) and tools for advisors, including CRM.

#### **Efficiency (operational)**

#### Our goals:

- to maintain our technological advantage in the financial sector and optimise our IT architecture using leading solutions. We plan to expand our business-technology team, and working within it interdisciplinary teams will ensure a delivery of end-to-end solutions. We intend to migrate our key applications to a modern technological pile based on microservices and containers as well as fully release the potential of a public cloud computing within the framework of existing regulations.
- to increase the scope of customer digital self-service and optimise our sales network. We plan to implement a digital assistant and adaptive user interface in the mobile application and transactional service, which will allow for contextual customisation of the customer's screen. We will improve customer experience in the inter-channel service process (omniservice). We will implement significant product and service changes using advanced tests and with the involvement of our customers. After completing the project of physical network development, we will maintain the number of our branches at the 2020 level.
- to provide our customers with the highest security standards. We will continue to intensively develop solutions that protect our customers, based on the latest



technologies, including machine learning, artificial intelligence, biometrics and other emerging techniques.

- to improve the operational efficiency of the bank by implementing automation on a large scale and simplifying processes. The main activities assume: centralisation of operational processes, including their takeover entirely by specialised units, elimination of paper documents flow within the organisation and the need to archive them, introduction of a unified methodology for managing operations, supported by a central measurement system as well as analytical and process engineering tools.
- to shorten the time of issuing opinions and internal consultations in implementing new solutions, while maintaining full alignment with regulations and compliance requirements. Legal support functions will also be organised according to "agile" working methods and based on new technologies. This will allow us to more effectively meet the growing number of regulatory requirements without paralysing our business.



#### **Employees and organisation culture**

The people and culture we create are at the core of our organisation. Cooperation and sincere and empathic relationships allow us to create value that delivers results. We believe that the way we treat our employees, they treat our customers. We build a technology-supported work environment that inspires to be innovative. The main assumptions for the HR area include 3 dimensions:

#### People

We want to coach smart managers who know how to inspire development and motivate to care about clients. Through strategic thinking, innovation and willingness to take up challenges, they will simplify and achieve the intended results efficiently. We will encourage employees to look for new solutions, automate processes and be open to technologies. We aim to make them empathic, collaborative and engaged. They are supposed to show a holistic approach to the customers to support them at every stage of their life cycle and to respond to their needs. Our employees will be honest and aware of current and new regulations.

#### **Technology**

We plan to increase work efficiency by providing the best applications, software and IT equipment. We will automate simple and repetitive tasks so that our employees can focus on key tasks and bring value, wherever it is important to build true contact with other people. We will implement RegTech solutions, which help to comply with procedures and regulatory requirements. We will use new HR technologies and predictive analytics to make informed decisions about investing in people.

#### A culture of cooperation

We want to promote the particular value of feedback. On the basis of that, we develop and appreciate each other as well as building the culture of cooperation, which is the foundation of our organisation. We have a better understanding of the network of interdependencies and are able to work together. At mBank, we are open to other people, trust each other and believe in good intentions. We clearly show what attitudes and behaviours are expected from our employees, presenting simple and understandable values. We promote agile working methods, focused on breaking down hierarchical organisational structures and operating on the basis of a network of cooperating teams. We are implementing a transparent Objectives and Key Results system (OKR), linked to the strategic directions of the organisation. We will increase the diversity of characters, personalities, experiences, gender and age, which will help us to make decisions from a multilateral perspective and build better solutions.

These objectives and business assumptions are part of mBank's mission, which remains: "To help. Not to annoy. To delight... Anywhere". Our employees identify themselves with a culture based on empathy towards clients, co-workers and corporate social responsibility.



## Financial targets of mBank Group

Strategic assumptions, concerning a product offer, the aim to strengthen or keep a market position in particular categories as well as an assessment of key trends and competitive situation, are reflected in the projections of mBank Group's financial results. In particular, we intend to further consistently increase the share of higher yielding assets and customer deposits in the balance sheet structure, as well as maintain diversification of funding sources through issuances of Eurobonds (EMTN Programme) and covered bonds by mBank Hipoteczny.

Our strategic goal is to keep the position among top Polish banks in terms of key financial metrics. In the mid-term horizon, our profitability shall systematically improve thanks to rising revenues, decent cost discipline and prudent approach to risk management. Favourable changes in the balance sheet structure are going to translate into gradual improvement of net interest margin, while a growth of total income outpacing an inflation of costs will ensure higher efficiency. Consequently, we assume to generate a return for the shareholders that will be attractive compared to other Polish banks.

The activities of mBank Group in the coming years will be focused on achieving the following financial targets, defining our **profitability**, **stability** and **growth**:

~3,0% ~40% ~10,5%

Net interest margin (NIM), Cost/Income ratio (C/I) Return on equity (ROE net)

increase \in 2023,

92-94% 1,5 p.p. ~6%

Loans/Deposits ratio: Capital ratios Average annual growth

(CAGR) in 2019-2023 at: ~6% for loans and deposits, ~8% for total income, ~5% for

total costs.

In line with long-term strategy of mBank Group, our goal is to pay 50% of net profit as a dividend. The adopted dividend policy allows for keeping capital ratios at the safe levels.

# Outlook for the bank's environment and the sector

The abrupt outbreak of SARS-CoV-2 pandemics at the beginning of 2020 changed the economic picture dramatically and caused our macroeconomic outlook published in the Management Board Report on Performance of mBank S.A. Group in 2019 to be outdated. The non-precedent, dynamic situation allows only to make conditional assumptions, which may change depending on the containment of the virus and governments' response to counteracting economic shock caused by the pandemics. The outlook presented below represents our best predictions as at the beginning of April 2020.



In our view, current recession is carrying substantial structural change in global economics. It is forecast that the peak in the numbers of infected is to come in May/June. It is yet to be seen how fast various restrictions will be lifted and how the economies are going to be affected. No matter the trajectory, the return to normality will be painfully slow even though we are about to temporarily see strong GDP numbers as economies jump start. We expect 4.2% recession in 2020 and substantial drop of core inflation into year's end. Seemingly high CPI inflation results from high food prices and possible (delicate) turnaround in oil prices in H2. Q4 2019 GDP level is not to be reached until 2022.

Fiscal policy gets actively involved along with central bank support. Polish economy is not an exception. Polish central bank reacted to pandemics with catalogue of measures, primarily with two interest rates' cuts on March 17th and April 9th, each by 50 bps. Quantitative Easing measures are already in place, meaning purchases of government bonds and bonds with state guarantees. Polish TLTRO is in the pipeline. Now, the vital role is to be played by the government with use of fiscal policy. We estimate that government programmes launched in March and April will be able to save up to 600k jobs. It allows for a stabilization of unemployment rate in Q3 at 10.2% level (official, registered unemployment rate, not LFS).

#### Otlook for the banking sector

Household deposits will continue to rise, but the growth rate will decrease gradually. An ailing economy, salary cuts, and the need to finance consumption with savings will push the growth rate of household deposits down to around zero in the quarters to come. However, it is possible that the support programmes launched by the government and the dramatic decrease in consumer spending caused by administrative measures will result in a temporary increase in savings. The large cash withdrawals reported in March (estimated at approximately PLN 30 billion based on NBP data) will not take place again. They were driven by consumers' fears about the consequences of economic lockdown. As none of the pessimistic visions materialised, the cash should soon turn into corporate deposits or return to the banking sector in the form of household deposits. Consumers' borrowing activity will soon decrease rather abruptly due to shrinking consumer loans.

A slowing economy will soon trigger a contraction in corporate lending. We can expect a decrease in both working capital and investment loans. An alternative, especially to working capital loans, will be offered in particular by the Polish Development Fund's (PFR) programme, which will provide companies with liquidity support worth as much as PLN 100 billion in the next months. Investment activity will recover slowly, but a structural shift in the economy is expected to increase demand for investment loans. Corporate deposits are expected to shrink in the nearest future due to a significant decrease in revenues. The government support programmes will also be important in this context as they will reduce at least part of operating costs and prevent an abrupt decrease in deposits.



## **About the report**

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The report was prepared in line with the GRI Standards (Core option) with the support of Go Responsible, an independent consulting company.

The report was not verified by an external entity. mBank reports on an annual basis. Key topics to be addressed by the report were selected on the basis of a survey on stakeholders' expectations. It was carried out through telephone interviews in December 2019, in addition to an anonymous online questionnaire conducted in December 2018. Respondents included key bank stakeholders: employees, clients, investors, business partners, social partners as well as potential clients, share analysts and third parties. The organisation strategy, non-financial reporting of the competition and conclusions reached at the meeting with the working team responsible for the report were also taken into account when selecting key topics to be covered by the report.

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Individual and institutional clients of mBank Group subsidiaries regularly provide feedback on their level of satisfaction with particular processes, products, and their components, such as transparency of presented costs and risk or value for money. These issues are addressed, among others, in structured questionnaires including open questions, the "Assess" option in online banking, as well as during workshops.

The said surveys and workshops are followed by reports, which are presented to the management, sales force employees and product specialists. Obtained conclusions are used to improve the existing processes and products. Furthermore, clients' replies are uploaded to the customer relation management system already during a survey. Replies to open questions are analysed by branch directors, and then advisors contact clients to get feedback, reply to questions and address clients' needs.



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On the basis of all the above data, the following relevance matrix was developed:

	External perspective	Average assessment in scale 1-3							
1.	Development and using various forms of contact with our stakeholders	2	Approach to stakeholder engagement	102-43					
2.	Counteracting discrimination and caring about the most vulnerable groups, i.e. the economically disadvantaged, the disabled, the elderly, etc., for example by	2.22	Initiatives enhancing access to financial services for the disabled	FS14					
	ensuring the availability of services through customisation of outlets and/or the offer		Access to financial services in sparsely populated or economically weaker areas	FS13					
3.	Recruitment and employment relationships, i.e. lawfulness of employment, legal form of employment, including e.g. the issue of the so-called junk contracts and lack of discrimination in employment	2.5	New employee hires and employee turnover	401-1					
1	Working conditions and social protection, meaning ensuring decent working conditions with respect to remuneration, working		Benefits provided to full-time employees that are not provided to temporary or part- time employees	401-2					
4.	hours, rest periods after the week of work, public holidays, pregnancy	2.53	Parental leave	401-3					
	and maternity protection and the		Programs for upgrading employee skills and transition assistance programs	404-2					
	possibility of reconciling work with family obligations, support in difficult situations		Percentage of employees receiving regular performance and career development reviews	404-3					
5.	Social dialogue, i.e. a dialogue between employees and the employer through the agency of trade unions and, e.g. satisfaction studies, etc.	1.98	This topic was not selected as crucial for t	his report					
6.	Occupational health and safety	1.81	Hazard identification, risk assessment, and incident investigation	403-2					
7.	Development and training at work place	2.41	Average hours of training per year per employee	404-1					
8.	Counteracting corruption, i.e. identification of corruption threats, training, system for monitoring and counteracting corruption	2.17	Operations assessed for risks related to corruption	205-1					
	counteracting corruption		Share of employees trained in the topic of anti-corruption policies and procedures	205-2					



			Confirmed incidents of corruption and actions taken	205-3
9.	Fair competition, i.e. ensuring management mechanisms for counteracting the risk of anti-	2.31	Legal actions for anti-competitive behaviour, anti-trust, and monopoly practices	206-1
	competitive activities		Non-compliance with laws and regulations in the social and economic area	419-1
10.	Respecting ownership rights, i.e. observance of the rights of third parties and non-infringement of their intellectual property, including e.g. software	2.43	This topic was not selected as crucial for t	his report
11.	Fair marketing, true and objective information and fair contractual practices	2.51	Incidents of non-compliance concerning marketing communications	417-3
12.	Protection of clients' safety, i.e. creating products in the manner allowing the client to make a conscious decision and limiting the risk of falling into, e.g. a credit trap	2.56	This topic was not selected as crucial for t	his report
13.	Balanced consumption and building clients' awareness, meaning educating and making consumers aware of safe and rational use of banking services	2.35	This topic was not selected as crucial for t	his report
14.	Customer service and support as well as complaints and disputes settlement	2.47	Incidents of non-compliance concerning product and service information and labelling	417-2
15.	Customer data and privacy protection	2.42	Substantiated complaints concerning breaches of customer privacy and losses of customer data	418-1
16.	Direct and indirect contribution to social-economic development of the country, i.e. by means of paying taxes, creating jobs, but also providing funding which enables completion of infrastructure investments	2.18	Direct economic value generated and distributed	201-1
17.	Indirect impact on the natural environment – applicable credit policy of the bank, especially towards the creditors seeking funding for industrial or infrastructure investments	2.13	Policies concerning social and environmental issues	FSI
			Procedures of assessment and screening of social and environmental risks	FS2
18.	Direct impact on the natural environment – consumption of water, energy, paper, CO2 emission	2.08	This topic was identified as important and it as an own indicator	is reported

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No significant changes were introduced compared with the previous report. Data are presented on the basis of the GRI Standards (Core option), the International <IR> Framework, and the Ten Principles of UN Global Compact. This report also functions as our Communication on Progress report.



Due to organisational changes that took place in the Group, mCentrum Operacji was not covered by non-financial reporting unlike in the previous year. In 2018, two organised parts of the undertaking of mCentrum Operacji were separated. One of those was sold to Digital Teammates S.A. (DTM), whose majority shareholder is the Future Tech FIZ fund (established as part of the mAccelerator project). The remaining operations, so far pursued within mCO, were integrated into mBank. In December 2019 the liquidation of mCentrum Operacji Sp. z o.o. (mCO) was completed, which resulted in the subsidiary's deletion from the National Register of Enterprises (KRS).

The financial data present consolidated information on the Group, i.e. they refer to all subsidiaries consolidated within mBank Group.

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Indicator number	Indicator name	Scope	Position in the report / comment
102-1	Name of the organization		Key information
102-2	Activities, brands, products, and services		Key information
102-3	Location of headquarters		mBank S.A. ul. Senatorska 18 00-950



		Warszawa skr. poczt. 728
102-4	Location of operations	3 countries: Poland, Czech Republic and Slovakia
102-5	Ownership and legal form	Key information
102-6	Markets served	Key information
102-7	Scale of the organization	Key information Shareholders
102-8	Information on employees and other workers	GRI tables
102-9	Supply chain	Principles for suppliers
102-10	Significant changes to the organization and its supply chain	Since publication of last report, no material changes in supply chain of our organisation took place.
102-11	Precautionary Principle or approach	Management of the environment area
102-12	External initiatives	Ethics, values and compliance
102-13	Membership of associations	Ethics, values and compliance
Strategy		·
102-14	Statement from senior decision-maker	Letter from the President of the Management Board of mBank S.A.
102-15	Key impacts, risks, and opportunities	Letter from the President of the Management Board of mBank S.A. "Mobile bank" strategy Outlook

#### **Ethics and integrity**



102-16	Values, principles, standards, and norms of behavior	Ethics, values and compliance
Stakehol	der engagement	
102-40	List of stakeholder groups	CSR Strategy for 2016-2019
102-41	Collective bargaining agreements	0%
102-42	Identifying and selecting stakeholders	Choice of some stakeholders we cooperate with was done when formulating the CSR Strategy of the Group.
102-43	Approach to stakeholder engagement	CSR Strategy for 2016-2019 Our approach to client relationships
102-44	Key topics and concerns raised	About the report
Reporting	g practice	
102-45	Entities included in the consolidated financial statements	Activities of subsidiaries of mBank Group
102-46	Defining report content and topic Boundaries	About the report
102-47	List of material topics	About the report
102-48	Restatements of information	Energy consumption and CO2 emission data for 2018 have been updated (compared to the data presented in the mBank Annual Report 2018) with the consumption of gasoline and diesel fuel
102-49	Changes in reporting	About the report



102-50	Reporting period	About the report
102-51	Date of most recent report	Last report was published in July 2019.
102-52	Reporting cycle	About the report
102-53	Contact point for questions regarding the report	About the report
102-54	Claims of reporting in accordance with the GRI Standards	About the report
102-55	GRI content index	GRI index
102-56	External assurance	About the report
Topic indi	cators	
Economic	Performance	
201-1	Direct economic value generated and distributed	GRI tables
202-1	Ratios of standard entry level wage by gender compared to local minimum wage	GRI tables
205-1	Operations assessed for risks related to corruption	Ethics, values and compliance
205-2	Communication and training about anti-corruption policies and procedures	Ethics, values and compliance
205-3	Confirmed incidents of corruption and actions taken	Ethics, values and compliance
206-1	Legal actions for anti-competitive behavior, anti-trust, and monopoly practices	No violations found
Environmo	ental indicators	
Internal indicator	Energy consumption in the organization	GRI tables
Internal indicator	Paper consumption in the organization	GRI tables
Social ind	cators	
401-1	New employee hires and employee turnover	GRI tables
401-2	Benefits provided to full-time employees that are not provided to temporary or part-time employees	All benefits are equally available to both full-time



		and part-time employees.
		Incentive system
401-3	Parental leave	GRI tables
403-2	Hazard identification, risk assessment, and incident investigation	Ergonomics and security at the workplace
404-1	Average hours of training per year per employee	GRI tables
404-2	Programs for upgrading employee skills and transition assistance programs	Incentive system
404-3	Percentage of employees receiving regular performance and career development reviews	100%
405-1	Diversity of governance bodies and employees	GRI tables
405-2	Ratio of basic salary and remuneration of women to men	GRI tables
417-2	Incidents of non-compliance concerning product and service information and labeling	In 2019, in mFinanse there were reported 83 cases of outdated (in accordance with the relevant list) marketing materials (leaflets) at the facility's display during inspection activities carried out by the mFinanse Internal Control Office. All outdated leaflets were removed during inspection and utilized.
417-3	Incidents of non-compliance concerning marketing communications	No incidents of this kind were reported in mBank Group.



418-1	Substantiated complaints concerning breaches of customer privacy and losses of customer data	Client data security
419-1	Non-compliance with laws and regulations in the social and economic area	No incidents of this kind were reported in mBank Group.
Business	s segment indicators	
FS1	Policies concerning social and environmental issues	Restrictions on coal financing Policies and procedures
FS2	Procedures of assessment and screening social and environmental risks	Polices and procedures
FS6	Portfolio structure divided into business lines, regions, size (i.e. micro/SME/big) and sectors	Retail banking Corporates and Financial Markets
FS13	Access to financial services in low-populated and economically weaker areas	Our approach to client relationships
FS14	Initiatives enhancing an access to financial services for the disabled	Solutions for persons with disabilities



## **GRI tables**

102-8 Information on employees

Type of employment contract:	TOTAL	mBank			mLeasing			mBank Hipoteczny			mFaktoring			mFinanse			Branches in the Czech Republic			Branches in SLovakia		
		woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL
fixed period	2,353	568	387	955	6	4	10	8	1	9	2	1	3	588	502	1,090	131	90	221	39	26	65
for an indefinite period	5,871	2,838	1,954	4,792	191	99	290	69	47	116	43	13	56	327	248	575	24	6	30	7	5	12
TOTAL	8,224	3,406	2,341	5,747	197	103	300	77	48	125	45	14	59	915	750	1,665	155	96	251	46	31	77

		mBank			mLeasing		mBank Hipoteczny			mFaktoring			mFinanse			Branches in the Czech Republic			Branches in SLovakia			
Total numer of employees by type of employment and sex	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL	woman	man	TOTAL
full-time	6,430	3,322	2,314	5,636	193	103	296	77	47	124	45	13	58	38	21	59	106	86	192	39	26	65
part-time	1,794	84	27	111	4	-	4	-	1	1	-	1	1	877	729	1,606	49	10	59	7	5	12
TOTAL	8,224	3,406	2,341	5,747	197	103	300	77	48	125	45	14	59	915	750	1,665	155	96	251	46	31	77

#### 201-1 Direct economic value generated and distributed

Direct economic value in 2019	
A Total income (in thousands PLN), including	5,142,645
B Operating expenses	1,309,816
B Compensation and benefits	1,019,339
B Payments to investors (dividend)	0
B Payments to the State (taxes)	1,003,187
B Social investments (donations and investments for society)	6,003
ECONOMIC VALUE RETAINED (A-B)	1,804,300

202-1 Ratios of standard entry level wage by gender compared to local minimum wage

	TOTAL*						
	Woman	Man	Total average				
Average monthly salary of the lowest level employees in PLN**	4,406.96	4,377.84	4,399.37				
Average monthly minimum wage in PLN	2,250.00	2,250.00	2,250.00				
Relation of remuneration received at the lowest level to the minimum wage	196%	195%	196%				

<sup>\*</sup> Data for all subsidiaries except for mFinanse and foreign branches in Czech Republic and Slovakia.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The lowest level employees are those employees who receive remuneration below the average monthly minimum wage announced by Statistics Poland.

#### Energy consumption within the organization

2019	Unit	TOTAL	mBank	mLeasing	mBank Hipoteczny	mFaktoring	mFinanse	Branches in the Czech Republic	Branches in Slovakia
	GWh	14.01	11.89	0.80	0.39			0.80	0.13
Electricity	GJ	50,430.06	42,804.00	2,880.00	1,398.06			2,880.00	468.00
	m3	216,838.00	199,158.00					14,479.00	3,201.00
Gas	GWh		2.26						
	GJ	8,807.84	8,136.00					550.20	121.64
Gasoline	ı	1,578,290.74	1,195,299.69	172,468.12	37,077.97	39,100.00	130,014.47	1,266.01	3,064.49
Gasoline	GJ	52,336.27	39,618.82	5,716.54	1,228.97	1,295.99	4,309.40	48.69	117.87
Disselfuel	I	216,116.03	94,941.69	34,576.30		780.00	52,583.73	27,358.57	5,875.74
Diesel fuel	GJ	7,974.75	3,476.44	1,266.07	-	28.56	1,925.44	1,052.25	225.99
Total energy consumption	GJ	119,548.92	94,035.26	9,862.61	2,627.02	1,324.55	6,234.83	4,531.15	933.49



### 401-1 New employee hires and employee turnover

	m	Bank Gro	пр		mBank		1	mLeasing		mBa	nk Hipote	czny	n	nFaktorin	g	1	mFinanse			nes in the Republic	Czech	Brand	ches in Slo	vakia
Total number of new employees by gender and age	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
under 30	546	457	1,003	233	209	442	10	5	15	3	4	7	1	2	3	253	199	452	36	30	66	10	8	18
ages 30 to 50	392	319	711	174	140	314	12	11	23	3	4	7	4	1	5	160	142	302	35	17	52	4	4	8
above 50	30	7	37	11	7	18	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	10	-	10	6	-	6	-	-	-
TOTAL	968	783	1 751	418	356	774	23	16	39	8	8	16	5	3	8	423	341	764	77	47	124	14	12	26
Employment indicator	20%	23%	21%	12%	15%	13%	12%	16%	13%	10%	17%	13%	11%	21%	14%	46%	45%	46%	50%	49%	49%	30%	39%	34%

	Gr	upa mBa	nk		mBank		1	mLeasing		mBa	ınk Hipote	czny	n	nFaktorin	g		mFinanse			nes in the Republic		Brand	ches in Slo	)vakia
Total number of employee departures by gender and age	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
under 30	394	345	739	145	137	282	5	2	7	2	3	5	-	1	1	206	172	378	24	24	48	12	6	18
ages 30 to 50	396	278	674	211	141	352	18	21	39	8	6	14	1	2	3	116	87	203	32	17	49	10	4	14
above 50	55	37	92	35	25	60	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	10	10	20	8	1	9	-	-	-
TOTAL	845	660	1,505	391	303	694	23	24	47	11	9	20	2	3	5	332	269	601	64	42	106	22	10	32
Rotation indicator	17%	20%	18%	11%	13%	12%	12%	23%	16%	14%	19%	16%	4%	21%	8%	36%	36%	36%	41%	44%	42%	48%	32%	42%



#### 401-3 Parental leave

		TOTAL			mBank		r	nLeasing	9	mBar	nk Hipot	eczny	m	nFaktorir	ng	r	nFinans	Э		es in the Republic		Branc	hes in SI	ovakia
	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
Number of employees who were entitled to parental leave from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019	507	177	684	353	162	515	19	8	27	9	-	9	4	3	7	85	4	89	29	-	29	8	-	8
Number of employees who took parental leave from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019	502	177	679	353	162	515	19	8	27	9	-	9	4	3	7	80	4	84	29	-	29	8	-	8
Number of employees who returned to work after taking their parental leave from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019	262	173	435	183	158	341	10	8	18	6	-	6	-	3	3	60	4	64	3	-	3	-	-	-
Number of employees who in the period from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018 returned to work after parental leave and were employed for at least 12 months	199	140	339	153	126	279	11	4	15	1	3	4	3	3	6	30	4	34	1	-	1	-	-	-
Number of employees who returned to work after parental leave in the previous reporting year (2018)	265	176	441	184	157	341	12	7	19	5	3	8	3	4	7	59	5	34	1	-	1	1	-	1
Return to work indicator	52%	98%	64%	52%	98%	66%	53%	100%	67%	67%		67%	0%	100%	43%	75%	100%	76%	10%		10%	0%		0%
Employment rate after returning from parental leave	75%	80%	77%	83%	80%	82%	92%	57%	79%	20%	100%	50%	100%	75%	86%	51%	80%	100%	100%		100%	0%		0%

#### 404-1 Average hours of training per year per employee

Average number of training hours per employee	41
Average number of training hours per woman	39
Average number of training hours per man	44

### 405-1 Diversity of governance bodies and employees

Division by structure and age:	TOTOL	Tabella and a second	Tabalas mahan afaa an	m	nBank		mL	_easing		mBank	Hipote	czny	mF	aktorin	9	mF	inanse	
Management Board	TOTAL	Total number of women	Total number of men	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
under 30	-	-	-	-	-	-			-			-			-			-
ages 30 to 50	10	1	9	-	4	4		1	1		2	2	1		1		2	2
above the age of 50	6	1	5	1	2	3		1	1		2	2			-			-
TOTAL	16	2	14	1	6	7	-	2	2	-	4	4	1	-	1	-	2	2
The Supervisory Board				woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
under 30	-	-	-	-	-	-			-			-			-			-
ages 30 to 50	19	4	15	1	3	4		4	4		4	4	2	2	4	1	2	3
above the age of 50	14	4	11	1	7	8	1		1	1	3	4	1		1	-	1	1
TOTAL	33	8	26	2	10	12	1	4	5	1	7	8	3	2	5	1	3	4

Management Board	TOTAL	woman	man
under 30	0%	0%	0%
ages 30 to 50	63%	6%	56%
above the age of 50	38%	6%	31%
TOTAL	100%	13%	88%
The Supervisory Board		woman	man
The Supervisory Board under 30	0%	woman 0%	man 0%
	0% 58%		
under 30		0%	0%

Category of employees																								
Division by structure and age:	TOTAL	Total	Total		mBank		n	nLeasin	g	mBan	k Hipot	eczny	m	Faktori	ng	m	Finans	e	Branch F	es in the Republic		Branche Slovak		
senior management		woman	man	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
under 30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ages 30 to 50	95	29	66	13	45	58	2	8	10	8	4	12	4	-	4	2	6	8	-	2	2	-	1	1
above the age of 50	26	12	14	10	12	22	-	2	2	1	-	1	1	-	1				-	-		-	-	-
TOTAL	121	41	80	23	57	80	2	10	12	9	4	13	5	-	5	2	6	8	-	2	2	-	1	1
middle managem	ent			woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
under 30	12	5	7	4	4	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1		1	-	2	2	-	1	1
ages 30 to 50	482	228	254	177	217	394	14	12	26	2	-	2	-	-	-	15	10	25	14	10	24	6	5	11
above the age of 50	76	42	34	33	30	63	7	3	10	1	1	2	-	-	-	1		1	-	-		-	-	-
TOTAL	570	275	295	214	251	465	21	15	36	3	1	4	-	-	-	17	10	27	14	12	26	6	6	12
other employees				woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total	woman	man	total
under 30	2,096	1,237	859	719	459	1,178	20	9	29	8	8	16	4	3	7	414	332	746	56	36	92	16	12	28
ages 30 to 50	4,759	2,860	1,899	2,110	1,380	3,490	133	62	195	43	27	70	33	11	44	446	362	808	73	45	118	22	12	34
above the age of 50	676	428	248	340	194	534	21	7	28	14	8	22	3	-	3	36	38	74	12	1	13	2	-	2
TOTAL	7,531	4,525	3,006	3,169	2,033	5,202	174	78	252	65	43	108	40	14	54	896	732	1,628	141	82	223	40	24	64

senior management under 30	TOTAL	Total woman	Total man
ages 30 to 50	79%	24%	55%
above 50	21%	10%	12%
TOTAL	100%	34%	66%
middle managem	ent	woman	man
under 30	2%	1%	1%
ages 30 to 50	85%	40%	45%
above 50	13%	7%	6%
TOTAL	100%	48%	52%
other employees		woman	man
under 30	28%	16%	11%
ages 30 to 50	63%	38%	25%
above 50	9%	6%	3%
TOTAL	100%	60%	40%

405-2 Ratio of basic salary and remuneration of women to men

\*Data for all subsidiaries except for mFinanse and foreign branches in Czech republic and Slovaka.

Average basic salary in given employee categories		Total*			mBank		1	mLeasing		mBar	nk Hipotec	zny		mFaktor	ing
Divided by structure:	woman	man	woman's to man salary	woman	man	woman's to man salary	woman	man	woman's to man salary	woman	man m	woman's to man salary	woman	man	woman's to man salary ratio
senior management	29 932	43 882	68%	36 958	48 233	77%	19 500	28 000	70%	19 022	33 438	<b>57</b> %	21 667	-	
middle management	13 164	16 159	81%	13 308	16 314	82%	11 617	14 067	83%	13 650	15 000	91%			
other employees	6 465	8 565	75%	6 453	8 569	75%	6 083	8 113	75%	7 608	9 141	83%	7 245	8 768	83%

Average remuneration in given employee categories		То	otal*		mBai	nk		mLeasin	g	n	nBank I	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		mFaktorii	ng
Divided by structure:	woman	man	woman's to man salary ratio	woman	man	woman's to man salary ratio	woman	man	woman's to man salary ratio	woman	man	woman's to man salary ratio	woman	man	woman's to man salary ratio
senior management	41 256	59 147	70%	51 485	69 941	74%	25 378	36 336	70%	26 855	35 246	76%	24 425		
middle management	17 467	22 065	79%	17 717	22 354	79%	15 067	19 851	76%	16 776	16 510	102%	-		
Average salary in given employee categories	8 082	10 832	75%	8 054	10 891	<b>74</b> %	8 007	10 599	76%	9 056	9 805	92%	9 043	11 270	80%





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