

# 2018 Investor Highlights

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# **Key Messages**

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After a volatile external environment in 2018, outlook remains challenging

- Global slowdown, trade wars, worries about China & US growth elevate downside risks
- GCC economy is recovering from slowdown, but still muted due to needed fiscal reforms
- North African economies somewhat challenged by high unemployment, inflation, debt and deficits
- Brazil GDP growth is improving and inflation continues to decline



In 2018, Bank ABC operating performance continues positive trend

- Net profit was \$202m for 2018, 5% higher than last year
- Operating income growth eroded by currency devaluation but stronger in local currency
- Impairment charges in 2018 were \$79m, 18% lower than last year
- ROE continued to uptick, increasing to 5.2% in 2018

## **Key Messages**





### Balance sheet remains strong, resilient and well diversified

- Strong Capital Ratios (Tier 1 ratio: 17.2%, Total CAR: 18.2%)
- Stable and strong liquidity metrics with 58% of assets with tenor <1 year</li>
- / Positive geographic diversification of assets
- Provision coverage for impaired exposures at 101%



Refreshed transformation strategy to drive future growth

- Clear strategic intent and objectives refreshed for next three year cycle
- Four strategic value drivers to prioritize resources and management focus
- Positive share valuation trends with further potential ahead

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# **External Environment**

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# **External outlook remains challenging**



### 2018 - A volatile year



#### Emergence of trade wars & political uncertainty (BREXIT) but strong US helps keeps global growth around 3.7%

- / 4 x 25bps Fed rate hikes & a stronger dollar raise funding costs, pressure emerging markets & drag down stocks
- A volatile year, but average oil prices up 30% to \$70/b

### 2019 - Outlook remains challenging

- / Synchronized global slowdown (3.4%), worries about China & a US recession in 2020, continued trade wars
- A pause/stop in US Fed rate hikes & potentially weaker dollar provide some reprieve, but outlook very uncertain
- New OPEC+ output cuts help stabilize prices around \$65/barrel



- GDP growth generally recovered from 2017 slowdown, aided by rising oil output, but rate still under 2%
- / Higher oil revenues & easing of fiscal policy help, but nonoil sector still struggling with new taxes & reforms
- After severe market stress, GCC states provide support to Bahrain ensuring peg and public finances are secure

- Reduced oil output and revenues will drag on GDP growth, although wealthier states will continue spending
- Dollar pegs are secure, with GCC support for Bahrain, but slow pace of adjustment in Oman is a risk
- Business still adapting to necessary adjustments to lower oil prices and slower growth trajectories

# **External outlook remains challenging**



#### 2018 - A volatile year

 Tunisia growth picks up (2.4%), but economy still fragile



**AFRICA** 

 Algerian policy unorthodoxy & FX reserve drawdown continue with weak growth around 2%

 Unrest in Jordan prompts GCC support; Egypt's economy continues to improve with growth back above 5%

 Rising oil revenues materially boost Libya's economy

#### 2019 - Outlook remains challenging

- IMF & donors (inc. GCC) will ensure sustained financial inflows, but imbalances remain large & growth weak
- / Egypt's macro-stability is more assured, & growth likely to accelerate, but high public debt still a challenge
- Elections this year could slow needed reforms in Tunisia & Algeria, with former's IMF program at risk



- Generalized EM sell-off & election uncertainty pressure Real & markets – but reversed after Bolsonaro victory
- Weak recovery continues with growth circa just 1.4%
- / Rate cut cycle ends as inflation ticks-up

- Robust external balances provide support & growth projected to rise above 2% with on target inflation
- Implementing pension reforms will be key to fiscal & debt sustainability and market perceptions

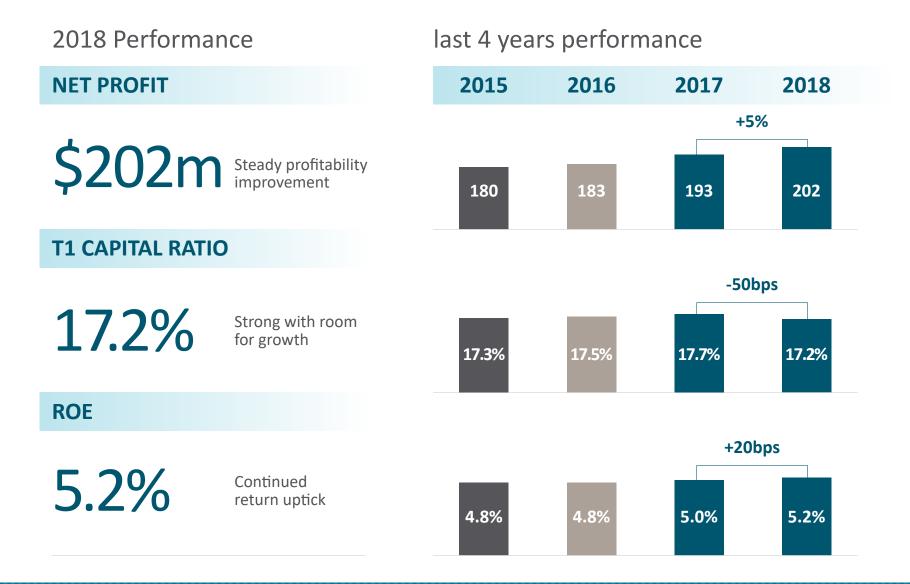


# **Financial Performance**

**Operating performance and balance sheet remains strong despite external conditions** 

# **Operating performance remains strong despite external conditions (1/2)**





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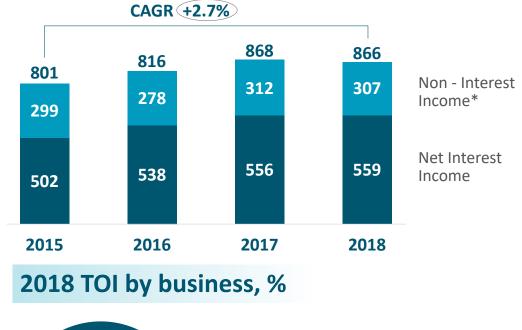
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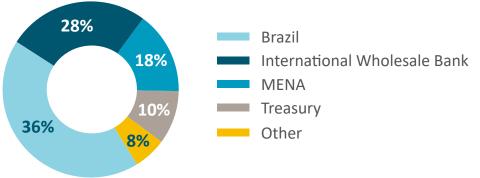


#### **Overview**

- On a normalized basis total operating income (TOI) for 2018 was \$866m compared to \$868m for 2017, affected by FX impact and other one off non core items (the normalized income adjustments are explained in page 11)
- TOI is comprised of Net Interest Income (65%), and Non-Interest Income\* (35%)
- Income is broad based and diversified across various business units supporting a steady improvement in ROE
- Income is however affected by USD strengthening vs local currencies as shown on page 10

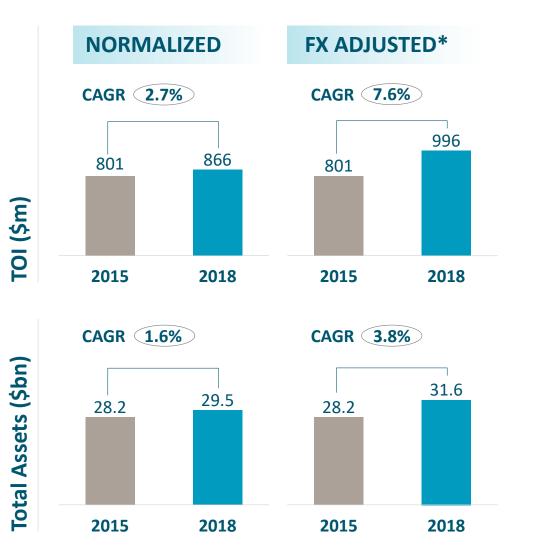
### Total Operating Income(TOI) Breakdown, \$m





## Stronger growth achieved in local currencies





Assets and Income would be significantly higher without FX devaluation in our key markets

**Top 5 currency movements** FX Rate - Local Currency/USD

Country	2015 Average	2018 Average	Devaluation
Egypt	7.71	17.91	-57%
Tunisia	1.96	2.90	-33%
UK	0.65	0.78	-16%
Algeria	100.3	118.6	-15%
Brazil	3.33	3.86	-14%

## **Normalization of Income**



	2017		2018	
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As Reported	\$869m	-\$58m	\$817m	-\$16m
Currency Hedge	+\$4m	-\$4m	+\$51m	-\$51m
Other one off non core items	-\$5m		-\$2m	
Normalized	\$868m	-\$62m	\$866m	-\$67m

#### **Cayman Branch**

Banco ABC Brasil (BAB) USD assets held at its Cayman branch, exposing it P&L to currency fluctuations

BAB therefore hedges their USD net open position with futures contracts

#### **Tax Anomaly**

According to Brazilian Tax laws, the revaluation on branch capital position is tax exempt (both m-t-m gains and losses)

However, the equivalent gains/ losses from the futures hedging is taxable

Because of this mismatched treatment, hedging of futures with nominal value same as branch capital gives lesser economic hedge (considered after tax)

#### Overhedge

To protect against this anomaly, BAB 'Overhedges' the USD position/ If the BRL/USD move is significant, this revaluation also will be significant resulting in distorting the TOI and Tax while net profit will be hedged

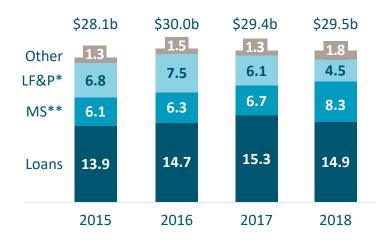
# **Strong & well diversified Balance Sheet**

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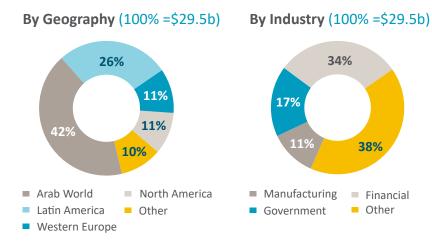
#### **Overview**

- / Total assets have remained broadly stable and stood at \$29.5bn as at of YE 2018
- / Bank ABC's asset base is widely diversified by geography, industry, & product types. Fitch's latest report (October 2018) includes ABC's "diversified geographical operating environment in MENA, Western Europe and North America" as a rating strength
- / More than half the Book maturing within 1-year
- / Loans and advances have been prudently growing by c. 4-5% per annum from 2015 – 2017. Recent decline mainly due to strengthening of USD against BRL

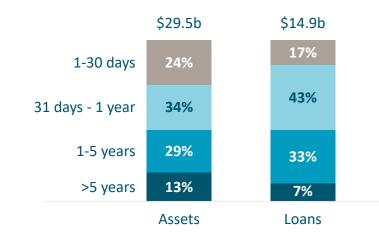
### Assets by instrument, \$b



#### 2018 Assets



### Assets by Maturity 2018, \$b



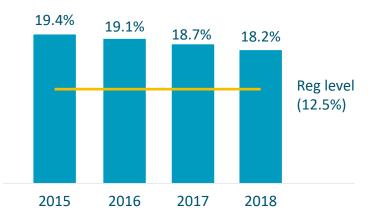
# **Robust Capital Adequacy with room for growth**



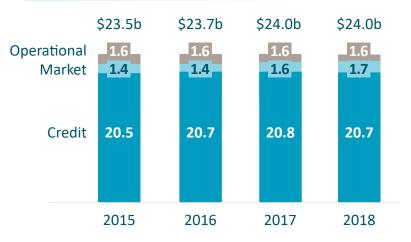
#### **Overview**

- / Central Bank of Bahrain introduced Basel III in Jan 2015 for CAR
- / Bank ABC's capital base remains very strong, with a capital adequacy ratio of 18.2% as at year-end 2018
- CET 1 Ration (17.0%) comprises the majority of Bank ABC's Tier 1 Capital Ratio (17.2%)
- Since 2015 Bank's Tier 2 CARs have decreased with a reduction of Tier 2 bonds outstanding (at Group and Banco ABC Brasil level)
- / Bank ABC is prioritizing returns as well as asset growth, using origination and distribution capabilities to leverage its capital capacity and build sustainable growth momentum

### Capital Adequacy Ratio, %



#### RWA by type of risk, \$b



#### Tier 1 ratio, %



### **Resilient Asset Quality & Conservative Investment Portfolio**

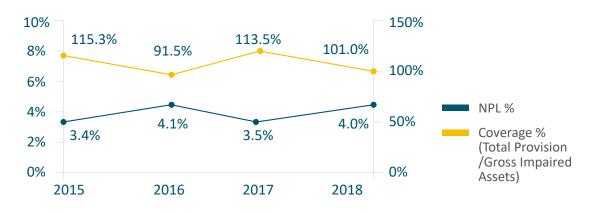


#### **Loans and Advances**

- ABC maintains resilient asset quality through conservative underwriting and effective credit monitoring, also holding an investment portfolio of predominantly highly rated securities
- ABC actively manages provisioning and currently maintains a conservative coverage ratio of over 101% (adjusted for legacy loans)
- Ratio of non-performing loans to gross loans at 4.0% compared to 2017 year-end levels of 3.5%, and normalizes to 3.1% when fully provided legacy loans are adjusted for (slightly increased primarily as loan growth affected by FX)
- For 2018, impairment charges were reduced to \$79m compared with the \$96m last year. This led to a drop in the cost of risk from 60 Bps to 55 Bps

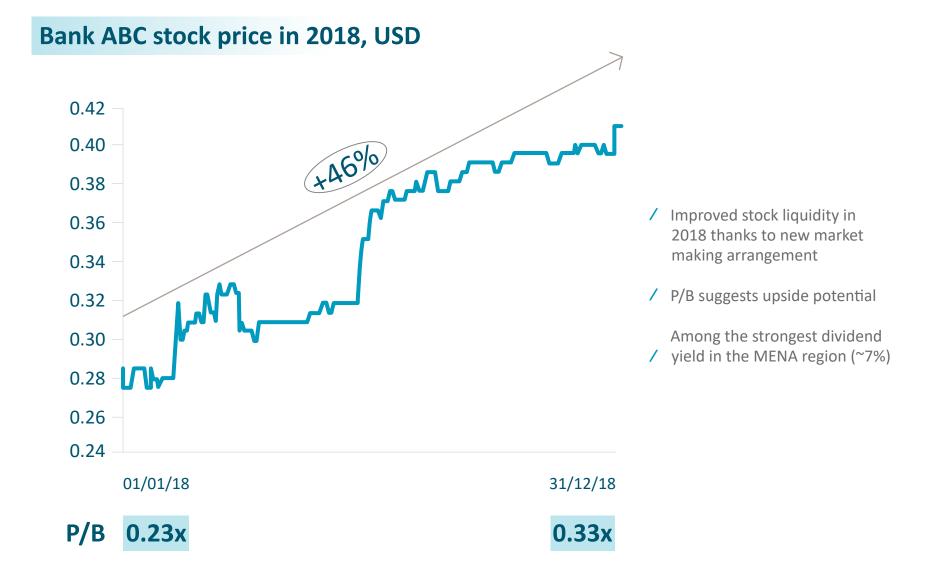
#### **NPLs and Coverage Ratio**

**Cost of Risk** 





## Positive valuation trends with further potential



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# **Group Strategy**

Refreshed transformation strategy to drive future growth

## **Clear strategy continuing to transform the Bank**



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# Four Strategic Value Drivers to prioritize resources & management focus





Grow our Corporate clients base

- Enhance coverage model (Client centric)
- Improve value proposition (Full product suite)
- Improve sales focus (KPIs)



Build Transaction Banking

- Harmonize/globalize core Trade business
- Modernize/digitize
  Trade
- Build Cash Management in MENA



Globalize & optimize Fl

- Optimize our Global Fl portfolio
- Diversify FI revenues streams
- Globalize & enhance
  Fl operating model



Digitize the Bank

- Modernize/digitize our platforms
- / Launch Neo bank
- / Develop AFS into Fintech provider



# **Key Deals Successes**



#### **Debt Capital Markets**

Source: Bloomberg

2018 MENA & Turkey USD Issuances\*

Rank	Bank	Issues	Market share
1	Standard Chartered Bank	59	15.28%
2	HSBC	46	10.57%
3	Citi	40	9.14%
4	JP Morgan	31	8.00%
5	First Abu Dhabi Bank PJSC	25	3.53%
6	Emirates NBD PJSC	16	1.39%
7	BNP Paribas	15	2.19%
8	Bank ABC	13	1.16%
9	Dubai Islamic Bank	12	1.23%
10	Deutsche Bank	11	6.99%

### **Loan Syndications**

2018 MENA League Tables

Rank	Bank	Total Deals	Volume (USD Million)
1	FAB	20	5,634
2	SCB	13 3,014	
3	Mizuho	12	4,725
4	HSBC	11	4,472
5	Bank ABC	9	841
6	Citi	9	3,233
7	Sumitomo	9	5,102
8	ENBD	7	670
9	Mitsubishi	7	3,797
10	SG	6	2,657

By number of deals; source: Thomson Reuters | LoanConnector

# Key deals Successes - Example of deals



### **Debt Capital Markets**

### **Loan Syndications**

عمانتل Omantel		JLM / Bookrunner Apr 2018	البتك لأهل الحري NATIONAL BANK OF EGYPT	<b>USD 600,000,000</b> 3yr Term Loan Facility	IMLA / Bookrunner May 2018
بنك ىبىي الإسلامي Dubai Islamic Bank	<b>USD 1,000,000,000</b> Sukuk	JLM / Bookrunner Jan 2018	Emirates Healthcare	<b>USD 300,000,000</b> 5yr Term Financing	MLA / Bookrunner Apr 2018
الشرخة القابضة للفط والعار nogaholding	<b>USD 1,000,000,000</b> Dual Tranche Bond	JLM / Bookrunner Oct 2018	Bank Sohar saog	<b>USD 250,000,000</b> 3yr Term Loan Facility	Joint Coordinator/ IMLA / Bookrunner Jul 2018
بنك مسقط 💫 bank muscat	<b>USD 500,000,000</b> Bond	JLM / Bookrunner Mar 2018	AEPC Nimi Four Company BSC(d)	<b>USD 242,600,000</b> 8.5 yr Senior Term Loan Facility	

## **Summary**





External environment challenges continued in 2018 with mixed growth outlook



2018 operating performance continued positive trend



Balance sheet is strong, resilient and well diversified



Our clear transformation strategy positions ABC for future growth



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