Leeport

豐(集團)有限公司 LEEPORT (HOLDINGS) LIMITED (Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)





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Mr. CHAN Ching Huen, Stanley

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Chairman's Statement

The Board of Directors (the "Directors") of Leeport (Holdings) Limited (the "Company") would like to present the consolidated annual results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the year ended 31st December 2018, together with the comparative figures for the year ended 31st December 2017. The annual results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Company.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Sales

During the year 2018, the business situation in the second half of the year was quite different than in the first half of the year. In the first half of 2018, the overall business of the Group improved strongly as compared with same period last year, however in the second half of 2018, the business of the Group slowed down due to uncertain market conditions in China.

The Group's sales amounted to HK\$814,836,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$614,370,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 32.6%. The Group's gross profit amounted to HK\$137,933,000, compared with HK\$104,048,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 32.6%. The gross profit percentage was 16.9% in 2018, the same as in 2017.

The total value of contracts signed in 2018 was HK\$852,161,000, compared with HK\$744,946,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 14.4%.

Other Income and Gains

The total value of other income and gains was HK\$16,476,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$19,859,000 in 2017, representing a decrease of 17.0%.

Service income was HK\$7,508,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$7,299,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 2.9%. Commission income was only HK\$584,000 in 2018, lower than the amount of HK\$678,000 in 2017.

Other income included a rental income of HK\$2,679,000, and a management fee of HK\$1,565,000 charged against Mitutoyo Leeport Metrology Corporation. There was a gain in forward contracts of HK\$40,000 and a gain in the valuation of investment properties amounting to HK\$1,121,000 in 2018. The gain in forward contracts was HK\$569,000 and the gain in valuation of investment properties was HK\$3,034,000 in 2017.

In the first half of 2018, our investee, Prima Industrie S.p.A., the parent company of Prima Power Suzhou Company Limited, also declared a dividend, so the Group received a dividend of HK\$1,844,000. The dividend received in 2017 was HK\$1,091,000.

Operating Expenses

Selling and distribution costs were HK\$26,841,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$17,392,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 54.3%. The increase in selling and distribution costs was due mainly to higher logistics costs, commissions paid to salespersons and sub-dealers, and bank charges in line with the higher sales volume.

Administrative expenses amounted to HK\$117,326,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$90,553,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 29.6%. The increase in administrative expenses was due mainly to an exchange loss of HK\$3,759,000, compared with an exchange gain of HK\$6,953,000 in 2017. Furthermore, additional staff costs and higher operating expenses were incurred after the acquisition of new investments and the expansion of the sales team.

Finance Expenses - Net

Finance expenses net of finance income were HK\$4,696,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$2,407,000 in 2017. Finance income in 2018 was HK\$1,627,000, compared with HK\$1,475,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 10.3%. Interest income derived from the loan to OPS-Ingersoll Funkenerosion GmbH was HK\$1,112,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$899,000 in 2017.

Finance expenses were HK\$6,323,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$3,882,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 62.9%. This increase was due to the higher interest rate in the market and an increase in bank borrowings in 2018. The increase in borrowing was due to the bigger business volume and larger investment scale in the year.

Share of Post-Tax Profits of Associates

The share of post-tax profits of associates in 2018 was HK\$19,626,000, compared with HK\$19,346,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 1.4%. The business for Mitutoyo Leeport Metrology Corporation continued to increase in 2018 as compared with 2017.

The business for OPS-Ingersoll Funkenerosion GmbH in 2018 was better than in 2017. In particular, the Company's performance in China was outstanding.

The business for Prima Power Suzhou Company Limited in 2018 was lower than in 2017. This was due to the weaker result in the sales of 3D laser machines, which were affected by the reduction in car manufacturing in China.

Income Tax Expenses

Income tax expenses in 2018 were HK\$5,395,000, compared with HK\$4,870,000 in 2017, representing an increase of 10.8%. The increase in the business of the equipment division and cutting tools in 2018 came mainly from the Group's subsidiaries in China, and they were subject to an income tax rate of 25% which was higher than income tax rate of 16.5% in Hong Kong.

Profit Attributable to Owners of the Company and Earnings per Share

The profit attributable to owners of the Company was HK\$19,210,000 in 2018, compared with HK\$28,031,000 in 2017, representing a decrease of 31.5%. The operating profit for the trading business in 2018 was HK\$10,242,000, compared with HK\$15,962,000 in 2017, representing a decrease of 35.8%. Although the Group's sales and gross profit in 2018 were higher than in 2017, the increase in staff costs and operating expenses after the acquisition of new investments and the expansion of the sales team, and the exchange loss incurred in 2018 compared with an exchange gain in 2017, contributed to the decrease in profit attributable to owners of the Company.

The basic earnings per share were HK8.35 cents in 2018, compared with HK12.25 cents in 2017, representing a decrease of 31.8%.

DIVIDEND

An interim dividend of HK3.0 cents per ordinary share, totalling HK\$6,902,000 was paid to the shareholders of the Company on 19th October 2018.

The Directors recommended a final dividend of HK2.5 cents per ordinary share, totalling HK\$5,752,000 (in 2017, the final dividend was HK3.5 cents per ordinary share, totalling HK\$8,053,000). This recommendation is subject to the approval of the shareholders at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, which will be held on 17th June 2019. Upon the approval of the shareholders, the final dividend warrant will be payable on or before 5th July 2019 to the shareholders of the Company whose names appear on the register of members on 26th June 2019.

The total dividend paid per ordinary share for the year ended 31st December 2018 will be HK5.5 cents, compared with HK8.0 cents per ordinary share for the year ended 31st December 2017, representing a decrease of 31.3%.

Business Review

Trading

Since the second half of 2018, China's economy has been affected by the country's trade war with the USA. The growth rate of China's GDP was 6.8% in the first quarter of 2018, 6.7% in the second quarter, 6.5% in the third quarter and 6.4% in the fourth quarter. The growth rate in the value of industrial production has shown a significant decrease on a month-to-month basis since July 2018: it was 4.6% in July 2018 and went down to 0.9% in December 2018. The manufacturing industry has entered a harsh winter, especially beginning from the fourth quarter of 2018. The Group's major customer base, i.e., manufacturers of cars and mobile phones, showed a reduction in volume in 2018: the production volume of cars in China fell by 3.8%, and for mobile phones it fell by 15.6%.

In 2018, the business of some major divisions actually made a significant improvement as compared with 2017, despite the adverse effects of the slowing down of the economy in the second half of 2018. The equipment division recorded a 56.7% increase in sales as compared with 2017, and the sales of the cutting tools and assembly tools division increased by 26.4% as compared with 2017. The results for the measuring instrument division were about the same as in 2017. The new German entity in the automation business, Grassinger Technologies GmbH, has contributed sales income to the Group since September 2018. The newly acquired distribution company in assembly tools, Screw & Fastener (HK) Co. Ltd., also contributed sales income to the Group in 2018.

The value of contract bookings in the second half of 2018 was almost 20% lower than in the first half of the year. The value of the Group's outstanding orders as at the end of February 2019 was HK\$211,982,000, compared with HK\$325,416,000 at the end of February 2018. Due to higher operating costs and exchange-rate differences, the net profit of the Group in 2018 declined as compared with 2017. The overall business results of the Group were reasonable in 2018.

Investment

In 2018, despite the unfavourable market situation, Mitutoyo Leeport Metrology Corporation, a strong market leader in measuring instruments, was still able to achieve an outstanding result, similar to the result in 2017.

The business of OPS-Ingersoll Funkenerosion GmbH also made a reasonable increase in 2018 as compared with 2017. The business in China was good for the company in 2018.

The business of the joint-venture factory, Prima Power Suzhou Company Limited, was adversely affected by the weaker performance in 3D laser machine sales in China. This was due to the slow-down in car manufacturing in the year.

As a strategic move, Leeport Group continued to increase its shareholding in Prima Industrie S.p.A. The Group's current shareholding in the Company is around 5%. Prima Industrie S.p.A. also achieved good results in 2018, with consolidated revenues of 466.9 million Euros, representing a 3.9% increase as compared with 2017. The net profit was 24.1 million Euros, representing an increase of 28.9% as compared with 2017.

Future Plans and Prospects

2019 is likely to be a challenging year for most of the economy, not only for China but also for the whole world. The Chinese government has set a conservative target of a GDP growth rate of 6–6.5% in 2019. A tax reduction for enterprises, the easing of financing to the market and investing in infrastructure are measures the government is taking to maintain the momentum of the economy. China's business situation is likely to improve, as long as the negotiations between the country and the US government are settled.

The Group is implanting a strategy to provide value-added services to the market. The set up of a German automation entity, Grassinger Technologies GmbH, will enhance the know-how of the Group in automation and make a contribution to the business in China. The cutting tools and assembly tools business was also outstanding in 2018. The division will continue to expand its sales force and broaden its product range in order to increase the sales volume.

All of the Group's associated companies are forecasting that 2019 will be a challenging year. Mitutoyo Leeport Metrology Corporation will therefore strengthen its marketing efforts in the China market in 2019, OPS-Ingersoll Funkenerosion GmbH will implement some cost-saving measures in its operations, and Prima Power Suzhou Company Limited will need to overcome the weakening 3D laser machine market in China. More effort must be devoted to increasing the sales in other products by Prima Power Suzhou Company Limited.

We are satisfied with the 33% growth in the Group's business volume in 2018 as compared with 2017, however we are disappointed by the 30% decrease in net profit in 2018. We need to be more cautious about our operating costs, and must improve the business performance of some products and the South East Asia operation. The Group's management will strive to achieve further improvements in the performance of the business in 2019.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to our shareholders, customers, suppliers, bankers, business associates and staff. I thank you all sincerely for your support and contribution in 2018.

LEE Sou Leung, Joseph

Chairman

29th March 2019

Management's Discussion and Analysis

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The balance of cash net of overdraft of the Group as at 31st December 2018 was HK\$52,874,000 (31st December 2017: HK\$52,323,000). The Group maintained a reasonable cash position. The Group's inventory balance as at 31st December 2018 was HK\$102,109,000 (31st December 2017: HK\$61,441,000). The turnover days of inventory were 55 at the end of December 2018, compared with 44 at the end of December 2017. The higher inventory turnover days in year 2018 was due to a higher purchase amount of cutting tools products at the year end of 2018 for the shipment before Chinese New Year in 2019, and the inventory in the new investments, i.e. Grassinger Technologies GmbH and Screw & Fastener (HK) Co. Ltd. The balance of trade receivables and bills receivables was HK\$142,362,000 as at 31st December 2018 (31st December 2017: HK\$108,445,000). The turnover days of trade receivables were 64, same as the end of December 2017. The balance of trade payables and bills payables was HK\$145,819,000 as at 31st December 2018 (31st December 2017: HK\$110,452,000). The higher balance of trade payables and bills payables as at 31st December 2018 was due to a higher purchase amount of cutting tools product at the year end of 2018. The balance of short-term borrowings was HK\$194,519,000 as at 31st December 2018 (31st December 2017: HK\$137,254,000). The balance of long-term borrowings was HK\$8,889,000 as at 31st December 2018 (31st December 2017: HK\$5,556,000).

The Group's net gearing ratio was approximately 33.8% as at 31st December 2018 (31st December 2017: 17.4%). The net gearing ratio is higher than in 2017. The net gearing ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total equity. Net debt is calculated as total borrowings less cash and cash equivalent. The net gearing ratio was higher as the borrowing level was higher due to the increase in business volume and the larger investment scale during the year.

The Group generally finances its operations with internally generated resources and banking facilities provided by banks. As at 31st December 2018, the Group had aggregate banking facilities of approximately HK\$726,916,000, of which approximately HK\$255,992,000 was utilized, bearing interest at prevailing market rates and secured by certain leasehold land, land and buildings, investment properties and restricted bank deposits of the Group in Hong Kong, Shenzhen and Singapore, with an aggregate carrying amount of HK\$284,987,000 (31st December 2017: HK\$262,565,000). The Directors are confident that the Group is able to meet its operational and capital expenditure requirements.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

FINANCIAL KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The Group measures its business performance by various financial key performance indicators in terms of Gross Profit ratio ("GP ratio"), Net Profit ratio ("NP ratio"), Return on Equity ratio ("ROE ratio") and Net Gearing ratio ("NG ratio").

GP ratio measures the Group's ability to cover its operational expenses by its gross profit. The GP ratio is calculated as gross profit divided by sales. The Group's GP ratio was approximately 16.9% in the year of 2018 (2017: 16.9%). The Group is able to maintain its GP ratio in the year of 2018 to cover its current year operational cost effectively showing that the Group is capable to provide products to market at a reasonable price that is acceptable by customer.

NP ratio measures how effectively the Group can convert sales into net income and the performance of the Group's associates. It reveals the remaining profit after cost of goods sold, selling and distribution costs, administrative expenses, finance expenses and income tax expenses. The NP ratio is calculated as profit for this year divided by sales. The Group's NP ratio was approximately 2.4% in the year of 2018 (2017: 4.6%). In view of the drop of NP ratio, the Group will strive to enhance operational efficiency and increase the contribution from new investment in the year of 2019.

ROE ratio measures the efficiency of the Group to utilize the fund from equity holders to generate profit and grow the company. The ROE ratio is calculated as profit for the year divided by average equity. The Group's ROE ratio was approximately 4.1% for the year of 2018 (2017: 6.2%). The Group has obtained a lower ROE ratio in the year of 2018. The management of the Group will optimize the fund utilization to achieve a high profit in the future.

NG ratio measures the Group's financial leverage about the degree of its business activities are funded by the owner's cash or by bank loan. The NG ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total equity. Net debt is calculated as total borrowings less cash and cash equivalent. The Group's NG ratio was approximately 33.8% as at 31st December 2018 (31st December 2017: 17.4%). The NG ratio is increased since the Group increase bank borrowing level to satisfy its higher business volume and the larger investment scale during the year.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

During the year 2018, the Group spent a total of HK\$5,169,000 (31st December 2017: HK\$1,187,000) in capital expenditure, primarily consisting of property, plant and equipment and leasehold land. As at 31st December 2018, the Group has settled all capital commitments regarding on property, plant and equipment. (31st December 2017: HK\$2,707,000 on property, plant and equipment) In the meantime, a total of HK\$4,631,000 (31st December 2017: HK\$5,472,000) in contingent liabilities in respect of letters of guarantee was given to customers.

EXPOSURE OF FLUCTUATIONS IN EXCHANGE RATES AND RELATED HEDGES

A substantial portion of the Group's sales and purchases were denominated in foreign currencies, which are subject to exchange rate risks. The Group will use the foreign exchange received from its customers to settle payment to overseas suppliers. In the event that any material payment cannot be fully matched, the Group will enter into foreign currency forward contracts with its bankers to minimize the Group's exposure to foreign exchange rate risks.

As at 31st December 2018, the Group had outstanding gross-settled foreign currency forward contracts to buy EUR2,680,000 for HKD24,280,000; GBP78,000 for HKD784,000; JPY546,357,000 for HKD38,553,000; USD57,000 for HKD446,000; and JPY11,100,000 for USD100,000 (2017: buy EUR1,300,000 for HKD11,979,000; JPY92,000,000 for USD829,000; JPY78,000,000 for RMB4,836,000 and JPY270,840,000 for HKD18,890,000).

Foreign exchange gains and losses are calculated on the settlement of monetary transactions and on the translation of monetary assets and liabilities at the exchange rates of the end of the year.

DETAILS OF THE CHARGES ON THE GROUP'S ASSETS

As at 31st December 2018, certain land and buildings, leasehold land and investment properties and restricted bank deposits in Hong Kong, Shenzhen and Singapore, with an aggregate carrying value of approximately HK\$284,987,000 (31st December 2017: HK\$262,565,000), were pledged to secure the banking facilities of the Group.

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Prima Industrie S.p.A. – The Group holds 519,549 shares in Prima Industrie S.p.A., representing around 5.0% of the total shareholding of Prima Industrie S.p.A. The company is a world leader in high-technology laser systems, sheet metal working systems and electronics components for industrial applications, and also possesses some advanced technology. Prima Industrie S.p.A. and Leeport have a joint-venture manufacturing plant in Suzhou that produces laser cutting and punching machines and imports 3D laser machines and production systems. Leeport is also the distributor for Prima's products in China. The valuation of the financial assets was based on the closing price of the shares at the end of December 2018. Prima Industrie S.p.A. is listed on the Stock Exchange of Milan, Italy. The value of the Prima Industrie S.p.A. shares held by the Group as at 31st December 2018 was HK\$81,131,000. The value of the total assets of Leeport Group as at 31st December 2018 was HK\$932,693,000. The value of the Group's share of interest in Prima Industrie S.p.A. to the total assets of Leeport Group was 8.7%.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

In the year ended 31st December 2018, Prima Industrie S.p.A. achieved revenues of Euro 466.9 million as compared with Euro 449.5 million in 2017, representing an increase of 3.9%. The company also achieved a net profit of Euro 24.1 million as compared with Euro 18.7 million in 2017, representing an increase of 28.9%. Prima Industrie S.p.A. is a long-term partner of Leeport. The Group will continue to partner with Prima Industrie S.p.A. and explore appropriate business opportunities in the future. We believe the business of the company will continue to be strong in the near future.

OY Mapvision Limited ("Mapvision") – The Group holds 29,388 shares in Mapvision, representing 2.67% of the total shareholding of the company. Based in Finland, Mapvision is a leading innovator in optical measurement systems for mass production. The company specialises in the 100% in-line inspection of automotive body and chassis components.

The fair value of the Group's investment in Mapvision as at the end of December 2018 was HK\$8,000,000. The fair value of investment for Mapvision to total assets of Leeport Group as at the end of December 2018 was 0.9%.

The business partner of Leeport, Mitutoyo Corporation, is also an investor in Mapvision. Mitutoyo has an extensive partnership with Mapvision for the distribution of Mapvision's products. The associate of Leeport, Mitutoyo Leeport Metrology Corporation, is the distributor of Mapvision products in China.

According to the management report, Mapvision made a loss in 2018, however the company forecasts that the business will grow at a resonable pace in the coming years and will be profitable. As Mapvision possesses a unique in-line inspection system and is very focused in the huge market of automobile components, the Group believes the projection of profit-making in the near future is achievable.

Furthermore, the Group will continue to explore investment opportunities in advanced manufacturing technology.

EMPLOYEES

As at 31st December 2018, the Group had 328 employees (31st December 2017: 256). Of these, 85 were based in Hong Kong, 204 were based in mainland China, and 39 were based in other offices around Asia and Germany. Competitive remuneration packages were structured to be commensurate with our employees' individual job duties, qualifications, performance and years of experience. In addition to basic salaries, pension scheme contributions in different countries, the Group offered staff benefits including medical schemes, education subsidies and discretionary performance bonuses.

Biographical Details of Directors and Senior Management

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Lee Sou Leung, Joseph, aged 75, the founder and the Chief Executive Officer of the Group, and the Chairman of the Board, is responsible for the strategic planning, business development and overall management of the Group. Mr. Lee has more than 50 years of experience in the distribution of machine tools, advanced equipment and industrial products. Mr. Lee graduated from Wah Yan College, Hong Kong, and Hong Kong Technical College (Certificate in Production Engineering), which was subsequently renamed the Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

Mr. Chu Weiman, aged 61, was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of trading division in September 2016. He is responsible for the overall trading business of the Group in China. Mr. Chu joined Leeport Tools Limited as the Managing Director in May 2014. Before joining the Group, he was the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Screw and Fastener (HK) Company Limited, an engineering tools distributor in Hong Kong and China. Mr. Chu also held various senior positions in various reputable companies with operations in Hong Kong and China. Mr. Chu was stationed in China between 1994 and 2000, working for US-based multinational companies. He was a member of the Board of Directors and the General Manager of Shanghai Westinghouse Control System Company Limited, and the Managing Director of Cutler-Hammer China, a subsidiary of Eaton Corporation. During the years between 2000 and 2007, Mr. Chu held the position of Branch Director for Innovation Process and Automation Branch and Branch Director for the Manufacturing Productivity Branch of the Hong Kong Productivity Council. He was also a member of the board of directors of Shenzhen Productivity Consulting Company and the Chairman of the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Productivity Foundation. These Companies were the subsidiaries of the Hong Kong Productivity Council. He also possesses strong relationships with many Hong Kong trade associations and the local government offices of various cities in China. He is currently a General Committee member of The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong. Mr. Chu is a licensed Professional Engineer of the State of California and a member of the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Power Mechanical Engineering from Tsing Hua University, Taiwan; a Master of Science degree in engineering from the University of California, Los Angeles; and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Southern California.

Mr. Chan Ching Huen, Stanley, aged 61, also the Company Secretary and the Chief Financial Officer of the Group, is responsible for overseeing the Group's financial planning and control, and strategic investments. Prior to joining the Group in October 2000, Mr. Chan held various managerial positions in the finance departments of several US-based multinational corporations in Hong Kong. Mr. Chan has many years of experience in auditing, financial and accounting management. Mr. Chan is a fellow member of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants of the United Kingdom and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and an associate member of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators in the United Kingdom. Mr. Chan graduated from the Hong Kong Polytechnic (which was subsequently renamed as the Hong Kong Polytechnic University) with a Higher Diploma in Accountancy, and he also holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from Brunel University in the United Kingdom.

Biographical Details of Directors and Senior Management (Continued)

Mr. Wong Man Shun, Michael, aged 54, was appointed as the Managing Director of Leeport Precision Machine Tool Company Limited in January 2013. He is currently responsible for new business development of the Group. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering from the University of Hong Kong. Mr. Wong joined the Group in 1986 and had been responsible for the trading business of various products in the Group. He was promoted to the position of Director of Leeport Precision Machine Tool Company Limited in January 2004. Mr. Wong is also an Honorary Vice President of the Hong Kong Electrical Appliance Industries Association, an executive committee member of the Hong Kong Mold and Die Council, and a Director of the Hong Kong Mold & Product Technology Association.

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Zavatti Samuel, aged 72, is the founder of Sadella Advisory Services Limited. He has over 30 years of global experience in major financial institutions, providing managerial as well as executive advisory to management boards. Utilizing his financial expertise, he also provided advisory to senior executives in major multinational corporations throughout his career. Mr. Zavatti was the Vice Chairman of Global Financial Institutions in The Royal Bank of Scotland and ABN AMRO from 2005 to 2009. Prior to taking on the Vice Chairman role, Mr. Zavatti was the Global Head of Financial Institutions and Public Sector for ABN AMRO and also was a member of the Executive Committee of the Wholesale Banking Division. Before joining ABN AMRO in 2001, he had an extensive international career with Bank of America, working in senior positions globally, including in Athens, London, Cairo, Sydney and Hong Kong. He held his last position for Bank of America in Hong Kong as the Managing Director and Head of Asia Pacific Financial Institutions, which he set up in 1994. Mr. Zavatti graduated from the University of Colorado in 1969. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Economics.

Mr. Fung Wai Hing, aged 66, graduated from the Hong Kong Polytechnic in 1978 with an Associateship Diploma in Production and Industrial Engineering, and is an Awardee of the ISE Distinguished Alumni Award 2012, granted by the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. In 1980, Mr. Fung obtained a Master of Science Degree in Industrial Management from the University of Birmingham, U.K., and in 1989, an MBA Degree from the University of Hong Kong. In 2016, he also obtained a Master of Arts degree, in Religious Studies from the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Mr. Fung was an employee of Leeport Machine Tool Company Ltd. between 1981 and 1996. He started as a Marketing Executive, and retired as the Area General Manager of the company. In 1997, he joined Lung Kee (Bermuda) Holding Limited, the world's largest mold base manufacturer and tool steel distributor, serving as an Executive Director of the company for 16 years. Mr. Fung has been very active in professional and community services. He was elected the President of the Institute of Industrial Engineers (HK Chapter) in 1992-93. He served as a member of the Metals Committee of the Industry & Technology Development Council, Industry Department, Hong Kong Government, during 1993-97, and as a member of the Technology Committee during 1995-97. He was Secretary General of the Hong Kong Die-casting Association during 2007-08, and later was Honorary President and Committee Member of the Hong Kong Die-casting & Foundry Association until 2014. He is currently a registered manager (SBM) of the Incorporated Management Committee of two Catholic schools.

Biographical Details of Directors and Senior Management (Continued)

Mr. Wong Tat Cheong, Frederick, aged 63, is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accountancy (with Honours) from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University and a Master of Public Administration (with Distinction) from the University of Hong Kong. Mr. Wong gained extensive accounting and auditing experience in Hong Kong, Mainland China and the United Kingdom. Mr. Wong was a former directorate civil servant of the HKSAR Government. He is currently a practicing Certified Public Accountant in Hong Kong.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Ms. Chu Ka Man, Karman, aged 47, the Financial Controller of the Group, is responsible for leading and managing the finance, information technology, human resources and administration functions of the Group. Ms. Chu has many years of experience in auditing, financial and accounting management. Ms. Chu is a Fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants of the United Kingdom and an Associate member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Ms. Chu holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, and a Bachelor's degree in Accountancy from the Hong Kong Polytechnic (which was subsequently renamed the Hong Kong Polytechnic University). Ms. Chu joined the Group in July 2018.

Mr. Sa Wai Keung, aged 57, is the Director and General Manager of the metalforming machinery division of the Group. Mr. Sa has many years of experience in sales and marketing in the sheet-metal machinery trading industry. He holds a Higher Diploma in Mechanical Engineering from the Hong Kong Polytechnic (which was subsequently renamed the Hong Kong Polytechnic University). Mr. Sa joined the Group in 1988.

Mr. Chan Lai Ming, aged 60, is the General Manager of Leeport Technology Limited. He has extensive experience in marketing CAD/CAM software, rapid prototyping equipment and metrology equipment. Mr. Chan is an associate member of the Hong Kong Rapid Prototyping & Manufacturing Society. Mr. Chan holds a Diploma and a Higher Certificate of Production and Industrial Engineering from the Hong Kong Polytechnic (which was subsequently renamed the Hong Kong Polytechnic University) and a Master's Degree in Commerce from the University of Strathclyde in the United Kingdom. Mr. Chan joined the Group in July 1979.

Report of the Directors

The Directors submit their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2018.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND GEOGRAPHICAL ANALYSIS OF OPERATIONS

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The activities of the subsidiaries are set out in Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

An analysis of the Group's performance for the year by geographical segments is set out in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS

The results of the Group for the year ended 31st December 2018 are set out in the consolidated income statement on page 48.

The details of dividends paid and declared during the year are set out in Note 29 to the consolidated financial statements.

The Directors recommend the payment of a final dividend of HK2.5 cents (2017: HK3.5 cents) per ordinary share, totalling HK\$5,752,000 (2017: HK\$8,053,000). The total dividend paid per ordinary share for the year ended 31st December 2018 will be HK5.5 cents, compared with HK8.0 cents per ordinary share for the year ended 31st December 2017, representing a decrease of 31.3%.

The dividend policy of the Group is set out on page 28 to 29 to this report.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The business review of the Group for the year ended 31st December 2018 is set out in the section headed "Chairman's Statement" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis" on pages 3 to 11 of this annual report.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The board of directors are aware that the Group is exposed to various risks, and have established a risk-management system and procedures to ensure that significant risks that might adversely affect the performance of the Group and its ability to implement its business strategies are identified and managed efficiently.

The following are the key risks that the Group considers to be significant and that could adversely affect the results of the business.

(1) Competition

The market for manufacturing equipment and tools is highly competitive in China. Price competition, the cost of customer acquisition and the payment terms for contracts are challenges to the Group. Regarding price competition, the Group works with suppliers to handle all sales negotiations and tries to compete with competitors by devising competitive pricing strategies. The Group also strives to improve the productivity of its sales management process, for example by carefully managing travel costs and optimising the scheduling of customer visits. We also work with leasing companies and banks to provide financing for customer orders.

(2) Growth Strategy

The risk in terms of the growth strategy is that the Group might not produce sufficient and timely returns from its investments in the organic growth of the existing business and in new products. Factors affecting decisions about the organic growth of the existing business include an in-depth understanding of the market and the addition of sufficient human resources. Decisions about investing in new products depend mainly on the quality of suppliers and the market's awareness of the products. Any selected new products should have been in the market for a certain number of years, and must have shown proven sales results. The Group carefully monitors the market situation, and adjusts its investment strategy accordingly by promptly delaying, cancelling or modifying its investment contracts.

(3) China Market

The Group's business relies heavily on the Chinese market. Any adverse changes in that market will significantly affect the Group's performance. In order to diversify the risk, the Group is also developing the market in Taiwan and Indonesia, and also invests in a number of suppliers with global business. This reduces the risk of depending too much on the Chinese market.

(4) IT Database

The Group's business operations rely heavily on the IT Oracle System. The failure or destruction of the system could wipe out the Group's database and paralyse its operations. The Group has therefore established a Disaster Recovery Program, which includes a daily back-up practice and a stand-by system.

(5) Database Security

There is a risk that people with access to the Group's computer system will leak business information to outsiders. The level of authority for users of the computer system is therefore managed carefully, with authorisation controlled at the supervisory level. The use of lock-in passwords and the segregation of data by division or department also minimise the risk of data leakage.

A number of user activity reports and data transaction reports are generated on a weekly basis. This enables us to spot any abnormal or suspicious activities by users of the computer system.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Our commitment to protect the environment is well reflected by our continuous efforts in promoting green measures and awareness in our daily business operations. Our Group encourages environmental protection and promote awareness towards environmental protection to the employees. Our Group adheres to the principle of recycling and reducing. It implements green office practices such as double-sided printing and copying, promoting using recycled paper and reducing energy consumption by switching off idle lightings and electrical appliance.

RELATIONSHIPS WITH KEY STAKEHOLDERS

Discussions on the Group's relationships with its employees, customers and suppliers is contained in the section headed "Environmental, Social and Governance Report" on pages 34 to 39 of this report.

COMPLIANCE WITH RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS

During the financial year, as far as the Company is aware, there was no material breach of or non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations by our Group that has a significant impact on the business and operations of our Group.

DONATIONS

Charitable and other donations amounted to HK\$112,000 were made by the Group during the year (2017: HK\$131,000).

SHARE ISSUED IN THE YEAR

Details of the shares issued in the year ended 31st December 2018 are set out in Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements.

DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Distributable reserves of the Company at 31st December 2018, calculated under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended), amounted to HK\$97,884,000 (2017: HK\$100,790,000).

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Bye-laws and there was no restriction against such rights under the laws of Bermuda, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to existing shareholders.

FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for the last five financial years is set out on page 142 of the annual report.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

The Company has not redeemed its shares during the year. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the Company's shares during the year.

BORROWINGS

Details of the Group's borrowings, including secured bank loans, trust receipt loans and overdrafts as at 31st December 2018 are set out in Note 20 to the consolidated financial statements.

SHARE OPTIONS

Pursuant to the resolution passed by the shareholders of the Company in the annual general meeting held on 15th May 2013, the Company had adopted a new share option scheme (the "Scheme") to replace the old one for the principal purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the growth and success of the Group. Under the Scheme, the directors of the Company may, at their absolute discretion, invite (i) any employees (whether full time or part time) of any member of the Group or any entity ("Invested Entity") in which the Group holds an equity interest, including any executive director; (ii) any non-executive director (including independent non-executive director) of any member of the Group or any Invested Entity; (iii) any consultant, adviser or agent engaged by any member of the Group or Invested Entity, who, under the terms of relevant engagement with the Group or the relevant Invested Entity, is eligible to participate in a share option scheme of the Group or Invested Entity who, under the terms of relevant agreement with the Group or the relevant Invested Entity, is eligible to participate in a share option scheme of the Company. The Scheme became effective on 15th May 2013 and, unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years from the date of its adoption on 15th May 2013. There is no change to the terms of the Scheme since adoption.

The total number of shares of the Company issuable upon exercise of all options that may be granted under the Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group is 12,546,406, representing 5.45% of the issued shares of the Company as at the date of this annual report, and such limit is subject to renewal with shareholders' approval. The maximum number of shares issuable upon exercise of the options granted to each eligible participant under the Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group in any twelve-month period shall not exceed 1% of the issued share capital of the Company for the time being. Any further grant of share options in excess of this limit is subject to shareholders' approval.

Share options granted to a director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company, or to any of their respective associates, shall require the approval of the independent non-executive directors. In addition, any share options granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director, or to any of their respective associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares of the Company in issue for the time being and with an aggregate value (based on the closing price of the Company's shares as at the date of the grant) in excess of HK\$5 million, within any twelve-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in advance in a general meeting.

As an overall limit, the maximum number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all outstanding options granted and yet to be exercised under the Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Company shall not, in aggregate, exceed 30% of the Company's shares in issue from time to time.

The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted within 28 days from the date of the offer, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 by the proposed grantee. The exercise period of the share options granted is determined by the directors, which shall not end on a date more than 10 years from the date on which the share option is granted or deemed to be granted in accordance with the Scheme. Unless otherwise determined by the directors, the Scheme does not require a minimum period for which the share options must be held or a performance target which must be achieved before the share options can be exercised.

The exercise price of the share options is determined by the directors of the Company, and shall not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of the offer; (ii) the average closing price of the Company's shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the 5 trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer; and (iii) the nominal value of the Company's shares.

Details of the Scheme are set out in the circular dated 15th April 2013.

Movement of share options during the year is set out in Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements.

DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY

The directors of the Company during the year and up to the date of this report were:

Executive Directors

Mr. LEE Sou Leung, Joseph (Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer)

Mr. CHU Weiman

Mr. CHAN Ching Huen, Stanley

Mr. WONG Man Shun, Michael

Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. PIKE, Mark Terence (resigned on 29th January 2019)

Dr. LEE Tai Chiu (resigned on 29th January 2019)

Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel

Mr. FUNG Wai Hing (appointed on 29th January 2019)

Mr. WONG Tat Cheong, Frederick (appointed on 29th January 2019)

In accordance with Article 87(1) of the Company's Bye-Laws, one third of the directors (or if the number is not a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not less than one third) will retire from office by rotation at each annual general meeting.

Mr. Chu Weiman and Mr. Chan Ching Huen, Stanley are subject to re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

In accordance with Article 86(2) of the Company's Bye-Laws, Mr. Fung Wai Hing and Mr. Wong Tat Cheong, Frederick who were appointed as directors in January 2019 are subject to re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

Each of the executive directors has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years, and will continue thereafter until terminated by each party thereto giving to the other party three months' prior notice in writing, or three months' basic salary in lieu of notice.

None of the directors who are proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company which is not determinable within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

DIRECTORS' MATERIAL INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS AND CONTRACTS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANT IN RELATION TO THE COMPANY'S BUSINESS

No transactions, arrangements and contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Company, subsidiaries or its holding company was a party and in which a director of the Company and the directors connected party had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Brief biographical details of directors and senior management are set out on pages 12 to 14.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY SPECIFIED UNDERTAKING OF THE COMPANY OR ANY ASSOCIATED CORPORATION

At 31st December 2018, the interests and short positions of each director and chief executive in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations and their associates (within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), as recorded in the register maintained by the Company under Section 352 of Part XV of the SFO or as notified to the Company, were as follows:

| | Number of ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each held | | | | | | |
|---|---|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Directors | | Personal interests | Family interests | Other interests | Share options (Note (b)) | Total | Percentage |
| Mr. LEE Sou Leung, Joseph ("Mr. Lee") | Long position | 23,668,000 shares | Nil | 144,529,982 shares (Note (a)) | Nil | 168,197,982 shares | 73.11% |
| Mr. CHU Weiman ("Mr. Chu") | Long position | 1,000,000 shares | Nil | Nil | Nil | 1,000,000 shares | 0.43% |
| Mr. CHAN Ching Huen, Stanley ("Mr. Chan") | Long position | 1,156,000 shares | Nil | Nil | Nil | 1,156,000 share | 0.50% |
| Mr. WONG Man Shun, Michael ("Mr. Wong") | Long position | 1,432,000 shares | Nil | Nil | Nil | 1,432,000 shares | 0.62% |
| Mr. PIKE, Mark Terence ("Mr. Pike") (Resigned on 29th January 2019) | Long position | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Dr. LEE Tai Chiu ("Dr. Lee") (Resigned on 29th January 2019) | Long position | 110,000 shares | Nil | Nil | Nil | 110,000 shares | 0.05% |
| Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel ("Mr. Zavatti") | Long position | 110,000 shares | Nil | Nil | Nil | 110,000 shares | 0.05% |

- (a) The 144,529,982 shares are held by Peak Power Technology Limited in its capacity as the trustee of The Lee Family Unit Trust holding the same for the benefit of holders of units issued by The Lee Family Unit Trust. HSBC International Trustee Limited is the trustee of the LMT Trust whose discretionary objects are Ms. Tan Lisa Marie and Mr. Lee's family members. The aforesaid shares that Mr. Lee and Ms. Tan are deemed to be interested refer to the same parcel of shares.
- (b) Information relation to the share options held by the directors is disclosed in the "Details of options granted by the Company" section.

SHARE OPTIONS

Other than as disclosed above, and other than those as disclosed in the Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements, at no time during the year was the Company, its subsidiaries or its holding company a party to any arrangement to enable the directors and chief executive of the Company to hold any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares in, or debentures of, the Company or its associated corporation.

No share options were granted, cancelled, exercised or lapsed during the review year.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN THE SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES OF THE COMPANY

At 31st December 2018, the register of substantial shareholders required to be kept under Section 336 of Part XV of the SFO shows that the Company had not been notified of any substantial shareholders' interests and short positions, being 5% or more of the Company's issued share capital, other than those of the directors as disclosed above.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or existed during the year.

MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

The aggregate percentage of sales for the year attributable to the Group's five largest customers is less than 30% of total sales for the year and therefore no disclosure with regard to major customers is made.

The percentages of purchases for the year attributable to the Group's major suppliers are as follows:

Purchases

the largest supplierfive largest suppliers combined75%

None of the directors, their associates or any shareholder (which to the knowledge of the directors owns more than 5% of the Company's share capital) had an interest in the major suppliers noted above.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

During the year ended 31st December 2018, the Company has complied with the code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code as stated in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited except the following:

Code Provision A.2.1

The Board is of the view that although Mr. Lee Sou Leung, Joseph is the Chairman and Group Chief Executive Officer of the Company, the balance of power and authority is ensured by the operation of the Board, which comprises experienced individuals and meet from time to time to discuss issues affecting operation of the company.

Code Provision C.2.5

The Company does not have an internal audit function and is currently of the view that there is no immediate need to set up an internal audit function within the Group in light of the size, nature and complexity of the Group's business. This situation will be reviewed annually.

COMPLIANCE WITH MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS OF LISTED COMPANIES ("MODEL CODE")

For the year ended 31st December 2018, the Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules. The Company has made specific enquiry of all directors regarding any non-compliance with the Model Code during the year ended 31st December 2018 under review and they all confirmed that they have fully complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee, comprised of three independent non-executive directors of the Company, namely Mr. Wong Tat Cheong, Frederick, Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel and Mr. Fung Wai Hing has reviewed the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group with the management and has discussed risk management and internal control systems and financial reporting matters, including a review of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 with the directors.

SUFFICIENCY OF THE PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the directors, it is confirmed that there is sufficient public float of at least 25% of the Company's issued shares at 29th March 2019.

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Pursuant to rule 3.10(1) and 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules, the Company has appointed three independent non-executive directors. The Company confirms that it has received from each of the independent non-executive directors a confirmation of his independence pursuant to rule 3.13 and the Company still considers all the existing independent non-executive directors to be independent.

PENSION SCHEME ARRANGEMENTS

The Group operated a defined contribution retirement scheme, an Occupational Retirement Scheme, for qualified employees, including executive directors of the Company, in Hong Kong prior to 1st December 2000. The cost charged to the income statement represents contributions payable or paid to the funds by the Group at the rate of 5% of the salary with a current ceiling of HK\$1,500 per month for general staff and there is no ceiling for managerial staff. Where there are employees who leave the scheme prior to vesting fully in the contributions, the contributions payable by the Group are reduced by the amount of forfeited contributions.

With effect from 1st December 2000, a Mandatory Provident Fund scheme (the "MPF scheme") has been set up for employees in Hong Kong, in accordance with the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme Ordinance. Commencing on 1st December 2000, the existing employees in Hong Kong may elect to join the MPF scheme, and all new employees in Hong Kong are required to join the MPF scheme. Under the rules of the MPF scheme, the employer and its employees in Hong Kong are each required to contribute 5% of their gross earnings with a current ceiling of HK\$1,500 per month to the MPF scheme. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the MPF Scheme is to make the required contributions under the scheme. No forfeited contribution is available to reduce the contribution payable in the future years. The MPF contributions charged to the income statement represent the contributions payable to the funds by the Group.

Employees of the Company's subsidiaries in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") are required to participate in defined contribution retirement schemes operated by the local municipal governments. The retirement schemes for employees of the Company's overseas subsidiaries follow the local statutory requirements of the respective countries. Contributions are made to the schemes based on a certain percentage of the applicable employee payroll.

Details of the pension scheme contributions of the Group for the year ended 31st December 2018 are set out in Note 24(a) to the consolidated financial statements.

PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

The Company's Bye-laws provide that all directors and officers of the Company shall be indemnified and secured harmless out of the assets and profits of the Company from and against all actions, costs, charges, losses, damages and expenses which they shall or may incur or sustain by or by reason of any act done, concurred in or omitted in or about the execution of their duty. Directors' liability insurance is arranged to cover the directors of the Company against any potential costs and liabilities arising from claims brought against them.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

Details of the major related party transactions undertaken in the normal course of business are provided under note 34 to the consolidated financial statements of this annual report, and none of which constitutes a discloseable continuing connected transaction as defined under the Listing Rules.

AUDITOR

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers who retire and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-appointment.

On behalf of the Board

LEE Sou Leung, Joseph

Chairman

Hong Kong, 29th March 2019

Corporate Governance Report

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The board of directors of the Company (the "Board") and the management of the Company and its subsidiaries (together, the "Group") are committed to establishing good corporate governance practices and procedures. The maintenance of high standard of business ethics and corporate governance practices have always been one of the Group's goals. The Company believes that good corporate governance provides a framework that is essential for effective management, successful business growth and a healthy corporate culture, thereby leading to the enhancement of shareholders' value.

The Board has adopted the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") as set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"). Continuous efforts are made to review and enhance the Group's risk management and internal controls and procedures in light of changes in regulations and developments in best practices. To us, maintaining high standards of corporate governance practices is not just complying with the provisions but also the intent of the regulations to enhance corporate performance and accountability.

The Board is pleased to report compliance with the code provisions of the CG Code for the year ended 31st December 2018, except where otherwise stated.

DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules (the "Model Code") as its own code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors. Having made specific enquiry with all directors, the directors confirmed that they had complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the year.

Board of Directors

The Board comprises:

Executive Directors: Mr. LEE Sou Leung, Joseph (Chairman and

Group Chief Executive Officer)

Mr. CHU Weiman

Mr. CHAN Ching Huen, Stanley Mr. WONG Man Shun, Michael

Independent Non-executive Directors: Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel

Mr. FUNG Wai Hing

(appointed with effect from 29th January 2019)

Mr. WONG Tat Cheong, Frederick

(appointed with effect from 29th January 2019)

Each independent non-executive director has given an annual confirmation of his independence to the Company, and the Company considers them to be independent under Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

During the financial year ended 31st December 2018, a total of 6 Board meetings and one annual general meeting ("2018 AGM") were held and the attendance of each director is set out as follows:

| | Number of meetings attended in the year ended 31st December 2018 | | | |
|--|---|----------|--|--|
| Name of Director | Board meetings | 2018 AGM | | |
| Mr. LEE Sou Leung, Joseph | 6/6 | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. CHU Weiman | 6/6 | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. CHAN Ching Huen, Stanley | 6/6 | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. WONG Man Shun, Michael | 6/6 | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. PIKE, Mark Terence (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 5/6 | 0/1 | | |
| Dr. LEE Tai Chiu (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 6/6 | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel | 6/6 | 1/1 | | |

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD

The Board is responsible for leadership and control of the Group and be collectively responsible for promoting the success of the Group by directing and supervising the Group's affairs. The Board focuses on formulating the Group's overall strategies and operational goals; authorising the development plan and budget; monitoring financial and operating performance; reviewing the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems; supervising and managing management's performance of the Group; and setting the Group's values and standards. The Board delegates the day-to-day management, administration and operation of the Group to the management. The delegated functions are reviewed by the Board periodically to ensure that they accommodate the needs of the Group.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS

No corporate governance committee has been established and the Board is responsible for performing the corporate governance functions such as developing and reviewing the Company's policies, practices on corporate governance, training and continuous professional development of directors and senior management, the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, etc. A Board Meeting in relation to the Board Diversity Policy was held during the year.

The Board held meetings from time to time whenever necessary. The company secretary assists in preparing the agenda for meetings and ensures that all relevant rules and regulations are followed.

Minutes of every Board meeting are circulated to all directors for their perusal and comments prior to confirmation of the minutes at the following board meeting. The Board also ensures that it is supplied in a timely manner with all necessary information in a form and of a quality appropriate to enable it to discharge its duties.

Every Board member has full access to the advice and services of the company secretary with a view to ensuring that Board procedures, and all applicable rules and regulations are followed and they are also entitled to have full access to Board papers and related materials so that they are able to make an informed decision and to discharge their duties and responsibilities.

CHAIRMAN AND GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Mr. Lee Sou Leung, Joseph is the Chairman and the Group Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Mr. Lee Sou Leung, Joseph has extensive experience in the industry which is beneficial and of great value to the overall development of the Company.

The Board is of the view that although the Chairman is also the Group Chief Executive Officer, the balance of power and authority is ensured by the operation of the Board, which comprises experienced individuals and meets from time to time to discuss issues affecting operation of the Company.

The Board also believes that the current structure is conducive to strong and consistent leadership, enabling the Company to make and implement decisions promptly and efficiently.

APPOINTMENT AND RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Each executive director is appointed for an initial term which is renewable automatically each year. All independent non-executive directors are appointed for a specific term which may be renewed as each director and the Company may agree. However, their appointments are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meetings of the Company in accordance with the provision of the Bye-laws of the Company (the "Bye-laws").

The Bye-laws of the Company provides that at each annual general meeting, one-third of the directors for the time being shall retire from office by rotation and that every director shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every 3 years.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

To assist directors' continuing professional development, the Company recommends directors to attend relevant seminars to develop and refresh their knowledge and skills. All directors also participate in continuous professional development programmes such as external seminars organised by qualified professionals, to develop and refresh their knowledge and skills in relation to their contribution to the Board. A record of the training received by the respective directors are kept and updated by the company secretary of the Company.

The directors have attended various seminars and meetings organised by such as Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries, the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants to develop and refresh their knowledge so as to ensure that their contribution to the Board remains informed and relevant. All the directors also understand the importance of continuous professional development and are committed to participating any suitable training to develop and refresh their knowledge and skills.

BOARD DIVERSITY POLICY

The Board has adopted a board diversity policy effective on 1st September 2013 which sets out the approach to achieve a sustainable and balanced development of the Company and also to enhance the quality of performance of the Company.

The Company seeks to achieve board diversity through the consideration of a number of factors, including but not limited to age, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, professional experience, skills, knowledge and length of service. All board appointments will be based on meritocracy, and candidates will be considered against objective criteria, having due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board.

Selection of candidates will be based on a range of diversity perspectives as stated in the above. The ultimate decision will be based on merit and contribution that the selected candidates will bring to the Board.

As at the date of this report, the Board comprises 7 directors. Three of the directors are independent non-executive directors and independent of management, thereby promoting critical review and control of the management process. The Board is also characterised by significant diversity, whether considered in terms of nationality, professional background and skills.

DIVIDEND POLICY

The Dividend Policy of the Company aims at enhancing transparency of the Company and facilitating the shareholders and investors to make informed investment decisions relating to the Company.

Under the dividend policy, the Company does not have any pre-determined dividend payout ratio. The declaration, payment and amount of dividends are subject to the board of directors of the Company ("Board")'s discretion having regard to the following factors:

- (1) the Group's actual and expected financial performance;
- (2) the Group's expected working capital requirements, capital expenditure requirements and future expansion plans;
- (3) retained earnings and distributable reserves of the Company and each of the members of the Group;
- (4) the Group's liquidity position;
- (5) the general economic conditions and other internal or external factors that may have an impact on the business or financial performance and position of the Group;
- (6) the contractual restrictions on the payment of dividends by the Company to its shareholders (if any);
- (7) the statutory and regulatory restrictions on the payment of dividends by the Company; and
- (8) any other factors that the Board deems relevant.

The Company's dividend distribution record in the past may not be used as a reference or basis to determine the level of dividends that may be declared or paid by the Company in the future.

Such declaration and payment of the dividend by the Company is also subject to any restrictions under the Companies Act of Bermuda, any applicable laws, rule and regulations and the bye-laws of the Company.

Any declaration and payment of future dividends under the Dividend Policy are subject to the Board's determination that the same would be in best interests of the Group and the shareholders of the Company as a whole. The Board will review the Dividend Policy from time to time and may exercise at its sole and absolute discretion to update, amend and/or modify the Dividend Policy at any time as it deems fit and necessary. There is no assurance that dividends will be paid in any particular amount for any given period.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") comprises of three independent non-executive directors, who have reviewed the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2018. One member has accounting professional qualifications or related financial management expertise. Mr. Wong Tat Cheong, Frederick is the current chairman of the Audit Committee.

No member of the Audit Committee is a member of the former or existing auditor of the Company. The terms of reference of the Audit Committee are available at the Company's website and on the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Our Audit Committee has primary responsibility for monitoring the quality of risk management and internal control and ensuring that the financial performance of the Company is properly measured and reported on, receiving and reviewing reports from management and the auditors relating to the annual and interim accounts, and monitoring the accounting and risk management and internal control systems in use throughout the Group.

According to the current terms of reference, meetings of the Audit Committee shall be held at least twice a year. Two meetings were held during the year ended 31st December 2018. The attendance of each member is set out as follows:

Number of meetings attended in the

2/2

| Name of members of Audit Committee | financial year ended 31st December 2018 | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| Mr. PIKE, Mark Terence (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 1/2 | | |
| Dr. LEE Tai Chiu (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 2/2 | | |

At the meetings held during the year, in performing its duties in accordance with its terms of reference, the work performed by the Audit Committee included:

- (a) review and supervise the financial reporting process and risk management and internal control systems of the Company and its subsidiaries;
- (b) recommendation to the Board, for the approval by shareholders, of the re-appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers as the external auditor and approval of their remuneration;
- (c) determination of the nature and scope of the audit; and
- (d) review the financial statements for the relevant periods.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The remuneration committee of the Company (the "Remuneration Committee") was established on 10th September 2005 comprising the existing three independent non-executive directors and Mr. Lee Sou Leung, Joseph. Mr. Fung Wai Hing is the current chairman of the Remuneration Committee. The terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee are available at the Company's website and on the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The roles and functions of the Remuneration Committee include consulting the chairman of the Board about their remuneration proposals for other executive directors, making recommendation to the Board on the Company's remuneration policy and structure for all directors' and senior management and the Remuneration Committee has adopted the approach under B.1.2(c)(ii) of the code provisions to make recommendations to the Board on the remuneration packages of individual executive directors and senior management.

Meeting of the Remuneration Committee shall be held at least once a year. One meeting was held during the year ended 31st December 2018. During the meeting, the committee has reviewed the remuneration policy of the Group and the directors' remuneration.

The attendance of each member is set out as follows:

| Name of members of Remuneration Committee | financial year ended 31st December 2018 | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| Mr. LEE Sou Leung, Joseph | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. PIKE, Mark Terence (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 1/1 | | |
| Dr. LEE Tai Chiu (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel | 1/1 | | |

The Company has adopted a share option scheme on 15th May 2013, which serves as an incentive to attract, retain and motivate staff. Details of such share option scheme are set out in Note 17 to the consolidated financial statements.

The emolument payable to directors depends on their respective contractual terms under the service contracts and the appointment letters, and as recommended by the Remuneration Committee. Details of the directors' emolument are set out in note 36 to the consolidated financial statements.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The nomination committee of the Company (the "Nomination Committee") comprises Mr. Lee Sou Leung, Joseph ("Mr. Lee") and the existing three independent non-executive directors. Mr. Lee is the chairman of the Nomination Committee. The terms of reference of the Nomination Committee are available at the Company's website and on the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The roles and functions of the Nomination Committee include reviewing the structure, size and composition of the Board at least annually, making recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Company's corporate strategy, identifying individuals suitably qualified to become members of the Board and selecting individuals nominated for directorship (if necessary), assessing the independence of the independent non-executive directors and making recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of directors and succession planning for directors, in particular the Chairman and the chief executive officer. In considering the nomination of new directors, the Board will take into account the qualification, ability, working experience, leadership and professional ethics of the candidates, especially their experience in the machinery industry and/or other professional areas.

Meeting of the Nomination Committee shall be held at least once a year. One meeting was held during the year ended 31st December 2018. Issues concerning the structure, size and composition of the board of directors were discussed and no significant change has been proposed to the structure, size and composition.

The attendance of each member is set out as follows:

| Name of members of Nomination Committee | financial year ended 31st December 2018 | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| Mr. LEE Sou Leung, Joseph | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. PIKE, Mark Terence (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 1/1 | | |
| Dr. LEE Tai Chiu (resigned with effect from 29th January 2019) | 1/1 | | |
| Mr. ZAVATTI Samuel | 1/1 | | |

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Number of mostings attended in the

ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

Financial Reporting

The management provides such explanation and information to the Board and reports regularly to the Board on financial position and prospects of the business of the Company so as to enable the Board to make an informed assessment of the financial and other performance of the Company.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing the consolidated financial statements of the Group. The consolidated financial statements prepared by the directors of the Company are prepared and presented to enable a balanced, clear and comprehensible assessment of the Company's performance, position and prospects. The directors are responsible for overseeing the preparation of consolidated financial statements of each financial period. The Board was not aware of any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that might cast significant doubt upon the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and the Board has prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis. The responsibility of the external auditor is to form an independent opinion, based on their audit, on those consolidated financial statements prepared by the Board and to report their opinion to the shareholders of the Company. A statement by auditor about their reporting responsibility is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report.

Risk Management and Internal Control Systems

The Board is responsible for the risk management and internal control systems of the Company and reviewing their effectiveness. The Board oversees the overall risk management of the Group and endeavours to identify, control impact of the identified risks and facilitate implementation of coordinated mitigating measures. The risks and the relevant measures have been disclosed in the report of the directors of this annual report. The risk management and internal control systems of the Company are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failures to achieve business objectives, and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Board is responsible for monitoring the Group's internal control system and reviewing its effectiveness. For the year of 2018, The Company does not have an internal audit function in light of the size, nature and complexity of the Group's business. The Board has reviewed this situation year on year and has decided to set up an internal control department in 2019 in compliance with the growth of the Group's business.

The Board, the Group's internal audit department and management will review the effectiveness of the internal control system of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Audit Committee, will review the findings and opinions of the Group's internal audit department and management on the effectiveness of the Company's system of internal control, and reports to the Board on such reviews.

The internal audit department of the Group should ensure that the Company maintains sound and effective internal controls to safeguard the shareholders' investments and the Group's assets. The main functions of the internal audit department are to audit the operating efficiencies of each of the operating units, to assist the Board in reviewing the effectiveness of the internal control systems of the Group and to review internal control of business processes and conduct project based auditing. Evaluation of the Group's internal controls covering financial, operational compliance controls and risk management functions will be conducted annually by the Board.

The management of the Company has established a set of comprehensive structure, standards and procedures in areas of operational, financial and risk controls for safeguarding assets against unauthorized use or disposition; for maintaining proper accounting records and a sound cash management system; and for ensuring the reliability of financial information to achieve a satisfactory level of assurance against the likelihood of the occurrence of fraud and errors.

The Board reviews the risk management and internal controls annually. The Board has conducted a review of, and is satisfied with the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems for the year ended 31st December 2018 as well as the adequacy of resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and budget of the Company's accounting and financial reporting function.

With respect to the monitoring and disclosure of inside information, the Company has formulated its guidelines, with an aim to ensure that the insiders abide by the confidentiality requirement and fulfill the disclosure obligation of the inside information.

AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

The amount of fees charged by the Group's auditors in respect of their audit services and non-audit services is disclosed in Note 23 to the consolidated financial statements. The non-audit services are related to tax services. The Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditors and for making recommendation to the Board regarding any non-audit services to be provided to the Group by the external auditors.

COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr. Chan Ching Huen, Stanley was appointed as Company Secretary of the Company since 2003. The biographical details of Mr. Chan Ching Huen, Stanley are set out under the section headed "Biographical Details of Directors and Senior Management".

According to Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules, Mr. Chan has taken no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training during the financial year ended 31st December 2018.

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

Shareholder(s) holding at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid-up capital of the Company carrying the right of voting at general meetings of the Company shall at all times have the right, by written requisition sent to the company secretary of the Company, to require a special general meeting to be called by the Board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition; and such meeting shall be held within two months after the deposit of such requisition.

Shareholder(s) of the Company holding (i) not less than one-twentieth of the total voting rights of all shareholders having the right to vote at the general meeting; or (ii) not less than 100 shareholders, can submit a written request to the company secretary of the Company stating the resolution intended to be moved at the general meeting or a statement of not more than 1,000 words with respect to the matter referred to in any proposed resolution or the business to be dealt with at a particular general meeting.

As regards proposing a person for election as a director, please refer to the procedures available on the website of the Company.

The above procedures are subject to the Company's Bye-laws, the Bermuda Companies Act 1981 and applicable legislation and regulation (as amended from time to time). Shareholders who have enquiries about the above procedures or have enquiries to put to the Board may write to the company secretary of the Company at the principal place of business at 1st Floor, Block 1, Golden Dragon Industrial Centre, 152-160 Tai Lin Pai Road, Kwai Chung, New Territories, Hong Kong or by e-mail to main@leeport.com.hk for the attention of the company secretary.

INVESTOR RELATIONS

The Company has established a range of communication channels between itself and its shareholders, investors and other stakeholders. These include the annual general meeting, the annual and interim reports, notices, announcements and circulars and the Company's website at www.leeport.com.hk.

During the year ended 31st December 2018, there had been no significant change in the Company's constitutional documents.

Environmental, Social and Governance Report

CORPORATE PROFILE

Leeport's vision is to help improve both the quality and the productivity of the manufacturing industry, and thus enhance everybody's standard of living and quality of life. The Group is committed to maintaining sustainable long-term development and continuously creates value for all stakeholders, including shareholders, customers, employees and society.

The Group strives to become the leading distributor of advanced equipment and precision tools for the manufacturing industry and provide manufacturing technology and solutions that will help our customers to become more productive, competitive and profitable. Leeport serves a wide range of customers from various industrial sectors, including but not limited to industrial machinery, construction machinery, mobile phone, cars, medical equipment, household appliances, audio and visual equipment, elevator, power supply equipment, high speed train, computers and telecommunications equipment. All of our stakeholders benefit from the technology, solutions and services that we provide.

With the global trend of reduced energy and resource consumption, Leeport works to raise our staff members' awareness of and involvement in environmental protection, and we are committed to maintaining an all-round green culture in the Group.

This report covers the financial year ended 31st December 2018 and describes how the Company fulfills the "comply or explain" provisions of the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide as set out in Appendix 27 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

ENVIRONMENT

In all its operations, the Group adheres strictly to local environmental protection laws and regulations. Moreover, we have developed a green office policy, which has been applied extensively in all our offices located in Hong Kong, PRC, Taiwan, Singapore and elsewhere.

Emissions

Emission management is not a critical area for the Group. Reducing the energy consumption of our office facilities and equipment is a priority, as they account for a significant proportion of our total carbon emissions. The Group's approach to managing carbon emissions and other air emissions focuses mainly on the efficient operation of our office facilities and equipment. Details are set out in our energy management practice.

Environmental, Social and Governance Report (Continued)

Emission data from the operation of the Group for this year are set out as follows:

| Environmental Performance | Unit | Total 2018 | Total 2017 |
|--|--------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | • | | 2011 |
| Electricity consumption | KWh | 573,911 | 569,038 |
| Carbon dioxide ("CO2") equivalent emission | | | |
| for electricity consumption | Ton | 310.0 | 198.5 |
| Electricity Intensity | KWh per staff day | 5.1 | 6.1 |
| Water Consumption | M^3 | 1,747 | 1,691 |
| CO2 equivalent emission for water used | Ton | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| Water Intensity | M³ per staff month | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Paper | Kg | 4,637 | 3,895 |
| CO2 equivalent emission for paper used | Ton | 4.3 | 3.6 |
| Paper Intensity | Kg per staff month | 1.3 | 1.3 |

The Group is not aware of any non-compliance with the relevant Laws and regulations that has an impact relating to air and greenhouse gas emissions, discharges into water and land, generation of hazardous and non-hazardous wastes of the Group in the year.

Use of Resources

In order to make sure all the facilities in our offices consume electricity efficiently and responsibly, we maintain a regular schedule of checking their operations and ensuring that they are in good condition at all times.

To ensure that we consume electricity efficiently, we have introduced a green lighting and air conditioning management system to the Group. When a room is not in use, the lights and air conditioner are switched off. Our building in Shanghai has been designed and renovated for maximum energy efficiency – LED lights have been installed extensively throughout the offices, and glass doors prevent cool air from spreading wastefully to other office areas. The building has been designed, as much as possible, to make good use of natural light and natural air. In some areas of our offices, we switch off electric lights and air conditioners, and use natural light or natural fresh air instead. Such measures help to reduce carbon emissions.

The Group has set up a paperless data-storage system, which our staff use for the data warehousing and retrieval of electronic documents. A CRM system for the service department has been developed so that various departments can share and retrieve documents related to service orders. A staff attendance record system has been developed so that staff members can apply online for leave, which reduces paper usage and optimises the approval process. A recycle paper tray is placed near every copier or printer, so that our staff members can easily re-use printing paper. Also, all staff members are encouraged to print double-sided documents to reduce paper usage.

The Group is also committed to recycling resources used in its offices, to minimise or prevent the generation of waste during its operations. All empty ink cartridges, copier toner containers and printing consumables are sent to recycling factories. Waste-separation bins are placed in every office for the collection of recyclable items, e.g., disposed plastic items, metallic containers and waste paper. For our PRC offices, we have selected a qualified supplier to refill ink cartridges, which extends the life of items.

Water management is not a material area for the Group. Much of our water consumption is for basic cleaning, sanitation and catering purposes in our offices. It is our policy that we always remind our staff to use water responsibly.

Environment and Natural Resources

The Group also promotes environmental awareness among our staff members and their families. We encourage our employees and their families to take the initiative to protect the environment. Employees and their families often share their views and suggestions about how we can go green and protect our natural environment.

The Group has a policy of encouraging customers to go green alongside us. We invite them to join us to maximise the socially responsible utilisation of resources. With the support of our professional and experienced technical team, we are able to provide a special repair service to customers so that they do not need to purchase a new Printed Circuit Board ("PCB"). The life of a PCB can be extended and a customer can resume operations more quickly, at a lower cost, and at the same level of quality. Electrical rubbish can also be eliminated.

We also provide a service package for customers, whereby our experienced technical people will periodically visit a customer's office or factory to check the machines on site and make sure they are operating optimally. This helps to extend the life of the machines and reduces the consumption of electricity during daily operations.

SOCIAL

Employment

The Group complies strictly with all relevant, applicable local laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Employment Ordinance of Hong Kong, the Labor Law of the PRC, and the Special Rules on the Labor Protection of Female Employees of the PRC. We have established procedures to ensure that our operations comply fully with such laws and regulations. The Group enforces local working hours and arranges annual leave, casual leave, sick leave, maternity leave and all official public holidays for staff. As a leading distributor of advanced equipment and precision tools, we work around the clock to provide the best possible service to our valuable customers, so some of our employees are required to work overtime on holidays or after office hours. We pay an overtime salary for such overtime work in accordance with local regulations.

The Group regularly develops, reviews and improves its Human Resources administration policies and systems. For example, it has implemented a performance appraisal system for all employees, and has established a remuneration system based on position, capacity, attitude and performance.

The Group complies strictly with laws in connection with social security. Starting from 1st December 2000, the existing employees in Hong Kong were able to elect to join the Mandatory Provident Fund scheme ("MPF Scheme"), and all new employees in Hong Kong have been required to join the MPF Scheme. Prior to 1st December 2000, the Group operated a defined contribution retirement scheme, an Occupational Retirement Scheme, for qualified Hong Kong employees. For our operations in the PRC, we adhere strictly to The Social Insurance Law of the PRC, covering basic pension insurance, basic medical insurance, industrial injury insurance, unemployment insurance and maternity insurance. All our employees in the PRC have joined this national social insurance scheme. The retirement schemes for employees of other overseas subsidiaries follow the local statutory requirements of the respective countries.

The Group has published staff handbooks for employees in Hong Kong and the PRC, and regularly arranges training courses to ensure that staff members understand the company's policies and their benefits and responsibilities.

Health and Safety

In 2018, there is no occupational accidents, and no occupational diseases were reported in this year. We have achieved excellent results in controlling safety hazards in connection with machine installation and maintenance, and stock management in our warehouse.

All new staff members are required to attend our in-house safety training course. Staff who are exposed to potentially risky working environments are required to attend regular safety trainings. We also arrange for our qualified engineers to educate new service staff and share their experience. The Group has created a safe and clean working environment in its offices, and displays warning signs in its warehouse to prevent the mishandling of equipment. Also, we arrange personal protective clothing, gear and equipment for service staff when they work in customers' factories.

The Group has fully satisfied its principal responsibility regarding safety and the prevention of occupational diseases, and implements all relevant local laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Prevention and Control of Occupational Disease Law of the PRC and the Production Safety Law of the PRC.

Each subsidiary is required to investigate any weaknesses in operational safety and occupational health, and to handle any safety issues immediately.

Development and Training

The Group considers that the growth of our employees is the key to the success of our business. In 2018, we organised various in-house job-related training programs in connection with team-building, leadership, technical skills, etc. Also, we regularly arrange for our technical people to attend training programs and seminars organised by our suppliers at their factories. To ensure that our key PRC staff understand the latest developments in local regulations and laws, we send them to seminars arranged by local authorities. We also offer a training subsidy to employees, in the hope of encouraging them to pursue career opportunities within the Group.

Labour Standards

The Group is committed to protecting human rights and complying with all relevant labour regulations and laws as stipulated by local authorities. We have no tolerance for the use of forced labour or child labour in our business operations, and we expect our business partners to behave in the same way.

Supply Chain Management

The Group adheres to the "Supply Chain Sustainability" principle in conducting our business. We have a supplier evaluation system that assesses suppliers' qualifications, costs, supply capability, delivery, and good-faith management of their operations. We continuously monitor the quality of our suppliers, and examine different suppliers to ensure that the quality of their products is consistent.

As one of the leading distributors of advanced equipment and precision tools in Greater China, we maintain business relationships with many world-renowned suppliers from Japan, Europe, Korea and elsewhere. We review our suppliers' operations from time to time, and have concluded that our suppliers are able to comply with local regulations and laws. So far, we have not identified any violations of local regulations by our suppliers.

The Group passed an annual ISO9001 audit in 2018, which demonstrates our commitment to high-quality supply chain management.

Product Responsibility

The Group is committed to providing an excellent customer experience and ensuring that our products and services are safe, user-friendly and environmentally friendly. We always think ahead on behalf of our customers and work to satisfy their needs. We value customer service highly and have established a comprehensive after-sales service system. After a machine is installed, we provide a maintenance and training service. Our after-sales service team sends a questionnaire to customers, and takes the initiative to seek their feedback. If customers encounter any problems in connection with our machines or services, our professional technical staff solve the problem and ensure that our machines are operated effectively and are customised to meet our customers' requirements. We run a customised, online service system, which improves the quality of our after-sales service, builds our corporate brand image, and increases customers' satisfaction with and loyalty to Leeport's products and services.

During periodical review meetings with suppliers, we consolidate our technical knowledge and our customers' feedback, and provide professional advice to suppliers about product enhancements so that we keep pace with the rapid developments in the marketplace.

We adhere to applicable laws in relation to health and safety standards, as well as those related to advertising and labelling. We strive to safeguard and protect intellectual property rights, and comply with local relevant privacy regulations.

In 2018, the Group was not involved in any material litigation or complaints due to product quality or service provision.

Anti-corruption

The Group is committed to upholding a high standard of ethics, responsibility and integrity in our business operations. We refuse to accept or tolerate any form of bribery or corruption in connection with our business activities. All of our employees are regularly advised of our policy against corruption. All new employees are required to read our anti-corruption and bribery policy and are expected to commit themselves to complying with such policy.

In 2018, the Group was not involved in any litigation regarding corruption, bribery, fraud or money-laundering.

Community Investment

Leeport is committed to fostering harmonious relationships with the communities where we operate, and has consistently kept its responsibility to return to society and endeavoured to achieve sharing and winwin relationship between the Group and its stakeholders. We participate in a variety of charitable events every year. During 2018, the Group donated approximate of HK\$112,000 in total to various charitable and community causes.

| Organiser/Beneficiary | Event/Award/Recognition |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | |
| The Community Chest | Love Teeth Day |
| The Community Chest | Million Walk |
| The Community Chest | Green Day |
| The Royal Geographical Society | Donation to the RGS Schools |
| | Outreach programme – 2018 |

Independent Auditor's Report



羅兵咸永道

To the Shareholders of Leeport (Holdings) Limited

(incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

OPINION

What we have audited

The consolidated financial statements of Leeport (Holdings) Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") set out on pages 46 to 141, which comprise:

- the consolidated balance sheet as at 31st December 2018;
- the consolidated income statement for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
- the consolidated cash flow statement for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.

Our opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31st December 2018, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report.

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

Independence

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's <u>Code</u> of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

KEY AUDIT MATTERS

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matters identified in our audit are summarised as follows:

- Assessment on carrying value of inventories
- Assessment of provision for trade receivables

Key Audit Matter

How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Assessment on carrying value of inventories

Refer to notes 4(a) Critical accounting estimates and judgements and 15 Inventories to the consolidated financial statements

As at 31st December 2018, the Group's gross inventories and provision for impairment of inventories amounted to HK\$127.9 million and HK\$25.8 million respectively.

The directors consistently apply a provisioning methodology for slow moving inventory based on inventory aging and make specific provision for obsolete inventories.

The estimations used in applying this methodology are subject to uncertainty and judgement by directors as a result of changes of economy condition, technology advancement and customer needs.

We examined the basis of the methodology with respect to inventory provisions and evaluated, amongst others, the outcome of management's estimations in prior years, and analysis and assessment made by management with respect to slow moving and obsolete inventories.

We tested the accuracy of the aging profile of the inventory used in the calculation. We also tested, on a sample basis, the net realisable value of inventory with reference to the actual selling price subsequent to the year-end and latest sales records. We performed a recalculation of the inventory provision based on the net realisable value and aging profile of the inventory as at 31st December 2018.

We also discussed with management in relation to the specific provision on certain inventories which provision was made according to their view on latest economy condition, technology advancement and customer needs.

Based on the procedures performed, we considered that management's judgements made in assessing the carrying value of inventories were supported by the evidence we gathered.

Key Audit Matter

How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Assessment of provision for trade receivables

Refer to note 4(b) Critical accounting estimates and judgements and 14 Trade and bills receivables to the consolidated financial statements

As at 31st December 2018, the Group's gross trade receivables and provision for impairment of trade receivables amounted to HK\$145.7 million and HK\$3.4 million respectively.

Management applied judgement in assessing the expected credit losses. Trade and bills receivables relating to customers with known financial difficulties or significant doubt on collection of trade and bills receivables are assessed individually for provision for impairment allowance. Expected credit losses are also estimated by grouping the remaining trade and bills receivables based on shared credit risk characteristics and collectively assessed for likelihood of recovery, taking into account the nature of the customer, its geographical location and its ageing category, and applying expected credit loss rates to the respective gross carrying amounts of the trade and bills receivables.

We focused on this area due to the magnitude of the trade and bills receivables and the estimation and judgement involved in determining the expected credit losses allowance of the trade and bills receivables. We understood and validated the credit control procedures performed by management, including its procedures on periodic review on aged receivables and assessment on recoverability of these receivables.

We tested the accuracy of the aging profile on trade receivables. We reviewed the aging profile, focusing on the aged receivables for which no provision had been made. We tested the subsequent settlement of these balances. For those unsettled receivables, we enquired management on the reasons for the delay in collection of these receivables and checked to any further actions taken in recovering the long outstanding receivables in order to assess whether any additional provision should be made.

We obtained management's assessment on the expected credit losses allowance of trade and bills receivables. We corroborated and validated management's assessment based on the historical settlement pattern, correspondence with the customers, evidence from external sources including the relevant public search results relating to the financial circumstances of the relevant customers and market research regarding the relevant forward-looking information such as macroeconomic factors used in management's assessment.

Based upon the above, we found that the estimation and judgement made by management in respect of the expected credit losses allowance and the collectability of trade and bills receivables were supportable by the available evidence.

OTHER INFORMATION

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises all of the information included in the annual report other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. We report our opinion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with Section 90 of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements.
 We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Kong Ling Yin, Raymond.

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong, 29th March 2019

Consolidated Balance Sheet

As at 31st December 2018

| | Note | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|---|---|--|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Leasehold land Investment properties Investments in associates Loan to an associate Prepayments Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income Available-for-sale financial assets | 7 6 8 10 34(e) 14 | 242,684 14,175 55,611 155,300 18,158 - 8,089 | 226,154 15,056 54,658 126,525 18,970 1,132 |
| | | 494,017 | 455,358 |
| Current assets Current assets Inventories Trade receivables and bills receivables Other receivables, prepayments and deposits Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income Available-for-sale financial assets Derivative financial instruments Amounts due from an associate Restricted bank deposits Cash and cash equivalents | 15 14 14 12 12 13 34(c) 16 | 102,109 142,362 33,047 81,131 - 316 261 26,576 52,874 | 61,441 108,445 26,467 — 143,057 265 2,766 19,307 52,323 — |
| | | | 000 400 |
| Total assets | | 932,693 | 869,429 |
| EQUITY | | | |
| Capital and reserves attributable to owners of the Company Share capital Other reserves Retained earnings | 17 18 | 23,007 196,979 224,456 | 23,007 282,334 213,670 |
| Non-controlling interest | | 444,442 976 | 519,011 - |
| Total equity | | 445,418 | 519,011 |

Consolidated Balance Sheet (Continued)

As at 31st December 2018

| | Note | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|--|--|---|
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Non-current liabilities Borrowings Deferred income tax liabilities | 20 21 | 8,889 32,326 | 5,556 29,809 |
| | | 41,215 | 35,365 |
| Current liabilities Trade payables and bills payables Other payables, accruals and deposits received Derivative financial instruments Amount due to an associate Amount due to a non-controlling shareholder Borrowings Tax payable | 19 19 13 34(c) 34(d) 20 | 145,819 90,030 275 1,750 9,595 194,519 4,072 | 110,452 63,355 490 - 137,254 3,502 |
| Total liabilities | | 487,275 | 350,418 |
| Total equity and liabilities | | 932,693 | 869,429 |

The above consolidated balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

The financial statements on pages 46 to 141 were approved by the Board of Directors on 29th March 2019 and were signed on its behalf.

LEE Sou Leung, Joseph

Director

CHAN Ching Huen, Stanley

Director

Consolidated Income Statement

For the year ended 31st December 2018

| | Note | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|----------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Sales Cost of goods sold | 5 23 | 814,836 (676,903) | 614,370 (510,322) |
| Gross profit | | 137,933 | 104,048 |
| Other income and gains – net | 22 | 16,476 | 19,859 |
| Selling and distribution costs Administrative expenses | 23 23 | (26,841) (117,326) | (17,392) (90,553) |
| Operating profit | | 10,242 | 15,962 |
| Finance income Finance expenses | 25 25 | 1,627 (6,323) | 1,475 (3,882) |
| Finance expenses – net | | (4,696) | (2,407) |
| Share of post-tax profits of associates | 10 | 19,626 | 19,346 |
| Profit before income tax Income tax expense | 26 | 25,172 (5,395) | 32,901 (4,870) |
| Profit for the year | | 19,777 | 28,031 |
| Profit attributable to: Owners of the Company Non controlling interests | | 19,210 567 | 28,031 |
| | | 19,777 | 28,031 |
| Earnings per share for profit attributable to owners of the Company | | | |
| Basic earnings per share (Hong Kong cents) | 28 | HK8.35 cents | HK12.25 cents |
| Diluted earnings per share (Hong Kong cents) | 28 | N/A | HK12.25 cents |

The above consolidated income statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 31st December 2018

| | Note | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|----------------|---|---|
| Profit for the year | | 19,777 | 28,031 |
| Other comprehensive income Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Gain on revaluation of land and buildings Movement of deferred tax Change in value of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of tax | 18 18 12 | 21,790 (2,515) (92,199) (72,924) | 27,980 (3,489) ———————————————————————————————————— |
| Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss Change in value of available-for-sale financial assets, net of tax Currency translation differences Share of other comprehensive (loss)/income of associates | 18 | (4,898) (1,031) | 81,358 1,659 7,839 |
| Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year, net of tax | | (78,853) | 90,856 |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year | | (59,076) | 143,378 |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/income attributable to owners of the company Total comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interest | | (59,614) 538 (59,076) | 143,378 143,378 |

The above consolidated statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended 31st December 2018

| | Attributable | to owners of the | e Company | | | |
|--|---|--|-------------------|---------------------|--|------------------------|
| | Share capital (Note 17) HK\$'000 | Other reserves (Note 18) HK\$'000 | Retained earnings | Total | Non- controlling interests HK\$'000 | Total equity HK\$'000 |
| Balance at 1st January 2018 | 23,007 | 282,334 | 213,670 | 519,011 | - | 519,011 |
| | | | | | | |
| Comprehensive income | | | 40.040 | 40.040 | F07 | 40 777 |
| Profit for the year | - | - | 19,210 | 19,210 | 567 | 19,777 |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss) Gain on revaluation of land and buildings Transfer of property revaluation reserve to retained | - | 21,790 | - | 21,790 | - | 21,790 |
| earnings on depreciation of buildings | _ | (6,531) | 6,531 | _ | _ | _ |
| Movement of deferred tax | - | (2,515) | - | (2,515) | - | (2,515) |
| Change of value of financial assets at fair value | | (00.400) | | (00.400) | | (00.400) |
| through other comprehensive income Currency translation differences | - | (92,199) (4,869) | <u>-</u> | (92,199) (4,869) | (29) | (92,199) (4,898) |
| Share of other comprehensive loss of associates | _ | (1,031) | _ | (1,031) | (29) | (1,031) |
| · · | | | | | | |
| Total other comprehensive (loss)/income, | | | | | | |
| net of tax | | (85,355) | 6,531 | (78,824) | (29) | (78,853) |
| / | | | | | | |
| Total comprehensive (loss)/income | | (85,355) | 25,741 | (59,614) | 538 | (59,076) |
| Transactions with owners of the Company recognised directly in equity Non-controlling interests arising from | | | | | | |
| acquisition of subsidiaries | - | - | - | - | 438 | 438 |
| Dividend paid relating to 2017 | - | - | (8,053) | (8,053) | - | (8,053) |
| Dividend paid relating to 2018 | | | (6,902) | (6,902) | | (6,902) |
| | | | (14,955) | (14,955) | 438 | (14,517) |
| Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity | | | (14,955) | (14,955) | 438 | (14,517) |
| Balance at 31st December 2018 | 23,007 | 196,979 | 224,456 | 444,442 | 976 | 445,418 |

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (Continued)

For the year ended 31st December 2018

| | Attributable to owners of the Company | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| | Share capital (Note 17) | Other reserves (Note 18) | Retained earnings | Total |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Balance at 1st January 2017 | 22,554 | 168,483 | 197,200 | 388,237 |
| Comprehensive income | | | | |
| Profit for the year | _ | _ | 28,031 | 28,031 |
| Other comprehensive income/(loss) Gain on revaluation of land and buildings Transfer of property revaluation reserve to retained earnings on depreciation of | - | 27,980 | - | 27,980 |
| buildings | _ | (5,694) | 5,694 | _ |
| Movement of deferred tax Change of value of available-for-sale | | (3,489) | - | (3,489) |
| financial assets | _ | 81,358 | _ | 81,358 |
| Currency translation differences | _ | 1,659 | _ | 1,659 |
| Share of other comprehensive income of associates | | 7,839 | | 7,839 |
| Total other comprehensive income, net of tax | | 109,653 | 5,694 | 115,437 |
| Total comprehensive income | | 109,653 | 33,725 | 143,378 |
| Transactions with owners of the Company recognised directly in equity Employees share option scheme: | | | | |
| - exercise of options | 453 | 4,198 | _ | 4,651 |
| Dividend paid relating to 2016 | _ | _ | (6,902) | (6,902) |
| Dividend paid relating to 2017 | | | (10,353) | (10,353) |
| | 453 | 4,198 | (17,255) | (12,604) |
| Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity | 453 | 4,198 | (17,255) | (12,604) |
| Balance at 31st December 2017 | 23,007 | 282,334 | 213,670 | 519,011 |

The above consolidated statement of change in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

For the year ended 31st December 2018

| | Note | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|----------------|--|--|
| Cash flows from operating activities Cash generated from operations Interest paid Income tax paid | 30 | 2,510 (6,323) (4,823) | 15,585 (3,882) (2,634) |
| Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities | | (8,636) | 9,069 |
| Cash flows from investing activities Purchase of leasehold land and property, plant and equipment Prepayment of property, plant and equipment Prepayment of long-term investment Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment Purchase of available-for-sale financial assets Purchase of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income Capital injection in an associate Net cash acquired from acquisition of subsidiaries Interest received Dividend received from an associate Dividend received from financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income | 30(a) 12 | (4,492) 135 - (25,499) (18,491) 8,837 1,627 8,311 1,844 | (796) (677) (455) - (5,363) - - - 1,475 2,531 |
| Dividend received from available-for-sale financial assets | | | 1,091 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | | (27,728) | (2,194) |
| Cash flows from financing activities Proceeds from collateralised borrowings and bank loans Repayment of collateralised borrowings and bank loans Proceeds from exercise of share options Dividends paid to the Company's shareholders (Increase)/decrease in restricted bank deposits | 30(b) 30(b) | 117,797 (57,497) - (14,955) (7,269) | 50,533 (52,702) 4,651 (17,255) 5,373 |
| Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities | | 38,076 | (9,400) |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and bank overdrafts Cash, cash equivalents and bank overdrafts at beginning of the year Effect of the exchange rate for the year | | 1,712 52,323 (1,161) | (2,525) 53,108 1,740 |
| Cash, cash equivalents and bank overdrafts at end of the year | 16 | 52,874 | 52,323 |

The above consolidated statement of cash flow should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

Leeport (Holdings) Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together the "Group") are principally engaged in the trading, installation and provision of after-sales service of metalworking machinery, measuring instruments, cutting tools and electronic equipment.

The Company is a limited liability company incorporated in Bermuda and domiciled in Hong Kong. The address of its registered office is Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda.

The Company is listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), unless otherwise stated. These consolidated financial statements have been approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 29th March 2019.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

2.1 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with all applicable Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS") and disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance Cap.622. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of land in Hong Kong and buildings, investment properties, financial assets through other comprehensive income, financial assets and financial liabilities through profit or loss (including derivative instruments) which are carried at fair value.

As at 31st December 2018, the Group had net current liabilities of HK\$7,384,000. The directors of the Company have reviewed the Group's cash flow projections, which cover a period of twelve months from 31st December 2018. The directors are of the opinion that, taking into account all information available, the Group has adequate financial resources to support the Group to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Based on the Group's proven abilities in obtaining new financing, its relationship with various financial institutions, new bank borrowings obtained subsequent to the balance sheet date and the cash flows expected to be generated from operations and investments, the directors of the Company consider that the Group will be able to obtain adequate financial resources to enable it to operate and fulfill its liabilities and commitments as and when they fall due within the twelve months from 31st December 2018. Accordingly, the directors have prepared these consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.1 Basis of preparation (Continued)

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with HKFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements, are disclosed in Note 4.

(i) New and amended standards adopted by the Company

The following new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations to standards are mandatory for the Company's financial year beginning on 1st January 2018. The adoption of these standards, amendments and interpretations has not had any significant impact to the results and financial position of the Group.

HKAS 40 Amendment HK (IFRIC) – Int 22

HKFRS 2 Amendment

HKFRS 4 Amendment

HKFRS 9 HKFRS 15

HKFRS 15 Amendment
Annual Improvements Project

Transfers of investment property Foreign Currency Transactions and

Advance Consideration

Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions

Insurance Contracts
Financial Instruments

Revenue from Contracts with Customers

Clarifications to HKFRS 15

Annual Improvements 2014 - 2016 Cycle

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.1 Basis of preparation (Continued)

(ii) The following standards, amendments and interpretations have been published but are not mandatory for 31st December 2018 reporting period and have not been early adopted by the Group:

| Effective |
|--------------------|
| for the accounting |
| period beginning |
| on or after |

| Amendments to HKFRS 9 | Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation | 1st January 2019 |
|------------------------------------|---|------------------|
| | Compensation | |
| HKFRS 16 | Leases | 1st January 2019 |
| HK (IFRIC) 23 | Uncertainty over income tax treatments | 1st January 2019 |
| HKFRS 17 | Insurance contracts | 1st January 2021 |
| HKAS 19 | 'Employee benefits' on plan amendment, curtailment or settlement | 1st January 2019 |
| Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 | Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture | To be determined |
| Amendments to HKFRS | Annual Improvement to HKFRS 2015–2017 Cycle | 1st January 2019 |
| Amendments to HKAS 28 | Long-term interests in associates and joint ventures | 1st January 2019 |

The Group's assessment of the impact of these new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations that are relevant is set out below. None of the above is expected to have a significant effect in the consolidated financial statements, except the following set out below:

HKFRS 16 "Leases"

HKFRS 16 introduces a comprehensive model for the identification of lease arrangements and accounting treatments for both lessors and lessees. HKFRS 16 will supersede HKAS 17 "Leases" and the related interpretations when it becomes effective.

HKFRS 16 distinguishes lease and service contracts on the basis of whether an identified asset is controlled by a customer. Distinctions of operating leases and finance lease are removed for lessee accounting, and is replaced by a model where a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability have to be recognised for all leases by lessees, except for short-term leases and leases of low value assets.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.1 Basis of preparation (Continued)

(iii) The following standards, amendments and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 31st December 2018 reporting period and have not yet been early adopted by the Group: (continued)

HKFRS 16 "Leases" (continued)

The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost (subject to certain exceptions) less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, adjusted for any remeasurement of the lease liability. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date. Subsequently, the lease liability is adjusted for interest and lease payments, as well as the impact of lease modifications, amongst others. For the classification of cash flows, the Group currently presents operating lease payments as operating cash flows. Under the HKFRS 16, lease payments in relation to lease liability will be allocated into a principal and an interest portion which will both be presented as financing cash flows.

The accounting for lessors will not significantly change.

As set out in Note 23, as of 31st December 2018, the Group's total operating lease commitments amounted to HK\$703,000. The new standard is not expected to apply until the financial year 2019. The directors of the Group consider that HKFRS 16 will have impact on the financial position as mentioned above but no significant impact on the financial performance of the Group.

Some of the commitments may be covered by the exception for short-term and low value leases and some commitments may relate to arrangements that will not qualify as leases under HKFRS 16.

The new standard is mandatory for financial years commencing on or after 1st January 2019. At this stage, the Group does not intend to adopt the standard before its mandatory effective date.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.2 Change in accounting policies

This note explains the impact of the adoption of HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments and HKFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers on the consolidated financial statements.

(i) HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments

Classification and measurement

On 1st January 2018 (the date of initial adoption of the new HKFRSs), the Group's management has assessed which business models apply to the financial assets held by the Group and has classified its financial instruments into the appropriate categories of the new HKFRSs.

The Group has elected the fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") model for all of its existing available-for-sale ("AFS") financial assets as at 1st January 2018. As a result, the AFS of HK\$155,920,000 as at 1st January 2018 was reclassified to financial assets at FVOCI and the related cumulative fair value gain of HK\$89,855,000 was reclassified from available-for-sale financial assets revaluation reserve to financial assets at FVOCI reserve on 1st January 2018 (both are stated as "Other reserves" in the consolidated statement of changes in equity).

Under FVOCI model, it would have no change to their fair value measurement method from AFS except for any gains or losses realised on the sale of equity financial assets at FVOCI will no longer be transferred to the consolidated income statement, but instead reclassified from "other reserves" to "retained earnings". In addition, there will be no more impairment losses required to be charged to the consolidated income statement for financial assets at FVOCI under the new guidance.

No retrospective adjustments were required and no impact on retained earnings at 1st January 2018 in respect of this change in accounting policy.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.2 Change in accounting policies (continued)

(i) HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments (continued)

Trade receivables and bills receivables

The Group applies the new HKFRSs simplified approach to measure expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables and bills receivables from customers.

To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables and bills receivables from customers have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. The Group applied different expected loss rates to different classes of trade receivables and bills receivables from customers, according to their respective risk characteristics.

Trade receivables and bills receivables from customers are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include, amongst others, the failure of a debtor to engage in a repayment plan with the Group.

The Group has assessed the expected credit loss model applied to the trade receivables and bills receivables from customers as at 1st January 2018 and the change in impairment methodologies has no significant impact of the Group's consolidated financial statements and the opening loss allowance is not restated in this respect.

Other financial assets at amortised cost

Other financial assets at amortised cost include other receivables. The Group has assessed the expected credit loss model apply to the other receivables as at 1st January 2018 and the change in impairment methodologies has no significant impact of the Group's consolidated financial statements and the opening loss allowance is not restated in this respect.

(ii) HKFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

HKFRS 15 establishes a comprehensive framework for recognising revenue and some costs from contracts with customers. HKFRS 15 replaces HKAS 18 Revenue, which covered revenue arising from sale of goods and rendering of services, and HKAS 11 Construction contracts, which specified the accounting for construction contracts.

The adoption of HKFRS 15 did not have any material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements to the retained earnings as at 1st January 2018, and no adjustment was made.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.3 Principles of consolidation and equity accounting

(i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power to direct the activities of the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for business combinations by the Group (refer to Note 2.4).

Intercompany transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the transferred asset. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

Non-controlling interests in the results and equity of subsidiaries are shown separately in the consolidated income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and balance sheet respectively.

(ii) Associates

Associates are all entities over which the Group has significant influence but not control or joint control. This is generally the case where the Group holds between 20% and 50% of the voting rights. Investments in associates are accounted for using the equity method of accounting (see (iii) below), after initially being recognised at cost.

(iii) Equity accounting

Under the equity method of accounting, the investments are initially recognised at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the post-acquisition profits or losses of the investee in profit or loss, and the Group's share of movements in other comprehensive income of the investee in other comprehensive income. Dividends received or receivable from associates and are recognised as a reduction in the carrying amount of the investment.

When the Group's share of losses in an equity-accounted investment equals or exceeds its interest in the entity, including any other unsecured long-term receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the other entity.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.3 Principles of consolidation and equity accounting (Continued)

(iii) Equity accounting (Continued)

Unrealised gains on transactions between the Group and its associates are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in these entities. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of equity accounted investees have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

The carrying amount of equity-accounted investments is tested for impairment in accordance with the policy described in Note 2.10.

(iv) Changes in ownership interests

The Group treats transactions with non-controlling interests that do not result in a loss of control as transactions with equity owners of the Group. A change in ownership interest results in an adjustment between the carrying amounts of the controlling and non-controlling interests to reflect their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount of the adjustment to non-controlling interests and any consideration paid or received is recognised in a separate reserve within equity attributable to owners of Leeport (Holdings) Limited.

When the Group ceases to consolidate or equity account for an investment because of a loss of control, joint control or significant influence, any retained interest in the entity is remeasured to its fair value with the change in carrying amount recognised in profit or loss. This fair value becomes the initial carrying amount for the purposes of subsequently accounting for the retained interest as an associate, joint venture or financial asset. In addition, any amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. This may mean that amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss or transferred to another category of equity as specified/permitted by applicable HKFRSs.

If the ownership interest in an associate is reduced but significant influence is retained, only a proportionate share of the amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss where appropriate.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.4 Business combinations

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for all business combinations, regardless of whether equity instruments or other assets are acquired. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary comprises the:

- fair values of the assets transferred.
- liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquired business
- equity interests issued by the Group
- fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement, and
- fair value of any pre-existing equity interest in the subsidiary.

Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are, with limited exceptions, measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. The Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquired entity on an acquisition-by-acquisition basis either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquired entity's net identifiable assets.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

The excess of the

- consideration transferred,
- amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquired entity, and
- acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquired entity

over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If those amounts are less than the fair value of the net identifiable assets of the business acquired, the difference is recognised directly in profit or loss as a bargain purchase.

Contingent consideration is classified either as equity or a financial liability. Amounts classified as a financial liability are subsequently remeasured to fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date. Any gains or losses arising from such remeasurement are recognised in profit or loss.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.5 Separate financial statements

Investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost less impairment. Cost includes direct attributable costs of investment. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividend received and receivable.

Impairment testing of the investments in subsidiaries is required upon receiving a dividend from these investments if the dividend exceeds the total comprehensive income of the subsidiary in the period the dividend is declared or if the carrying amount of the investment in the separate financial statements exceeds the carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements of the investee's net assets including goodwill.

2.6 Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Board of Directors.

2.7 Foreign currency translation

(a) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency"). The consolidated financial statements are presented in HK dollars (HK\$), which is the Company's functional and the Group's presentational currency.

(b) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at year end exchange rates are generally recognised in consolidated income statement.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings are presented in the consolidated income statement, within 'administrative expenses'.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.7 Foreign currency translation (Continued)

(b) Transactions and balances (Continued)

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined. Translation differences on assets and liabilities carried at fair value are reported as part of the fair value gain or loss. For example, translation differences on non-monetary assets and liabilities such as equities held at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in profit or loss as part of the fair value gain or loss and translation differences on non-monetary assets such as equities classified as fair value through other comprehensive income are recognised in other comprehensive income.

(c) Group companies

The results and financial position of foreign operations (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- assets and liabilities for each balance sheet presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that balance sheet;
- (ii) income and expenses for each income statement are translated at average exchange rates (unless this is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions); and
- (iii) all resulting exchange differences are recognised as other comprehensive income.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of any net investment in foreign entities, and of borrowings and other financial instruments designated as hedges of such investments, are recognised in other comprehensive income. When a foreign operation is sold or any borrowings forming part of the net investment are repaid, the associated exchange differences are reclassified to profit or loss, as part of the gain or loss on sale.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate. Currency exchange differences arising are recognised in other comprehensive income.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.7 Foreign currency translation (Continued)

(d) Disposal of foreign operation and partial disposal

On the disposal of a foreign operation (that is, a disposal of the Group's entire interest in a foreign operation, or a disposal involving loss of control over a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, a disposal involving loss of joint control over a jointly controlled entity that includes a foreign operation, or a disposal involving loss of significant influence over an associate that includes a foreign operation), all of the exchange differences accumulated in equity in respect of that operation attributable to the equity holders of the Company are reclassified to profit or loss.

In the case of a partial disposal that does not result in the Group losing control over a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, the proportionate share of accumulated exchange differences are re-attributed to non-controlling interests and are not recognised in profit or loss. For all other partial disposals (that is, reductions in the Group's ownership interest in associates or jointly controlled entities that do not result in the Group losing significant influence or joint control) the proportionate share of the accumulated exchange difference is reclassified to profit or loss.

2.8 Property, plant and equipment

Leasehold land in Hong Kong and buildings comprise mainly offices, warehouses, showrooms and directors' quarters. Leasehold land in Hong Kong and buildings are shown at fair value, based on periodic, valuations by external independent valuers, less subsequent depreciation. Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the assets and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset. All other property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less depreciation and impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of replaced part is derecognised. All other repairs and maintenance are charged in the consolidated income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land in Hong Kong and buildings are credited to other reserves in shareholders' equity. To the extent that the increase reverses a decrease previously recognised in profit or loss, the increase is first recognised in profit or loss. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against fair value reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are charged to the consolidated income statement. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset charged to the consolidated income statement and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is transferred from other reserves to retained earnings.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.8 Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost or revalued amounts, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives or, in the case of leasehold improvements and certain leased plant and equipment, the shorter lease term as follows:

| Land and buildings | 1 – 4% |
|---|--------|
| Leasehold improvements | 10% |
| Plant, machinery, furniture and equipment | 20% |
| Motor vehicles | 20% |

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (Note 2.10).

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount and are recognised within 'other income and gains – net', in the consolidated income statement. When revalued assets are sold, the amounts included in other reserves are transferred to retained earnings.

2.9 Investment property

Investment property, principally comprising leasehold land and buildings, is held for long-term rental yields or for capital appreciation or both, and that is not occupied by the Group. Investment property is initially measured at cost, including related transaction costs and where applicable borrowing costs. After initial recognition, investment properties are carried at fair value, representing open market value determined at each reporting date by external valuers. Fair value is based on active market prices, adjusted, if necessary, for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset. If the information is not available, the Group uses alternative valuation methods such as recent prices on less active markets or discounted cash flow projections. Changes in fair values are recorded in the income statement as part of a valuation gain or loss in 'other income and gains – net'.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.10 Impairment of non-financial assets

Goodwill and intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that they might be impaired. Other assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cashgenerating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting period.

2.11 Financial assets

From 1st January 2018, the Group classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through other comprehensive income, or through profit or loss), and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the Group's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will be recorded in other comprehensive income. For investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading, this will depend on whether the Group has made an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income.

The Group reclassifies debt investments when and only when its business model for managing those assets changes.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.11 Financial assets (Continued)

(i) Recognition and derecognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date, the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

(ii) Measurement

At initial recognition, the Group measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL"), transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at FVPL are expensed in profit or loss.

Financial assets with embedded derivatives are considered in their entirety when determining whether their cash flows are solely payment of principal and interest.

Equity instruments

The Group subsequently measures all equity investments at fair value. Where the Group's management has elected to present fair value gains and losses on equity investments in other comprehensive income, there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to profit or loss following the derecognition of the investment. Dividends from such investments continue to be recognised in profit or loss as other income when the Group's right to receive payments is established.

Change in the fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in other gains/(losses) — net in the consolidated income statement. Impairment losses (and reversal of impairment losses) on equity investments measured at FVOCI are not reported separately from other changes in fair value.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.11 Financial assets (Continued)

(iii) Impairment

The Group has two types of financial assets that are subject to the new expected credit loss model of the new HKFRSs:

- trade receivables and bills receivables, and
- other financial assets at amortised costs.

Trade receivables

The Group applies the new HKFRSs simplified approach to measure expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables and receivables from customers.

Trade receivables and receivables from customers are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include, amongst others, the failure of a debtor to engage in a repayment plan with the Group.

The Group categorises its trade receivables, except those individually assessed, based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. The expected loss rates are based on the payment profiles of sales and the corresponding historical credit losses experienced within this period. The historical loss rates are adjusted to reflect current and forward-looking information on macroeconomic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables.

Given the track record of regular repayment of trade receivables, the directors are of the opinion that the risk of default by these customers is not significant, taking into account forward-looking information on macroeconomics factors. Therefore, expected credit loss rate of trade receivables is assessed to be insignificant.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.11 Financial assets (Continued)

(iii) Impairment (continued)

Other financial assets at amortised cost

The Group assesses on a forward looking basis the expected credit losses associated with other financial assets at amortised costs. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

(iv) Accounting policies applied until 31st December 2017

The Group has applied HKFRS 9, but has elected not to restate comparative information. As a result, the comparative information provided continues to be accounted for in accordance with the Group's previous accounting policy.

Until 31st December 2017 the Group classifies its financial assets in the following categories:

- financial assets at fair value through profit or loss,
- loans and receivables, and
- available-for-sale financial assets.

The classification determined on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determined the classification of its investments at initial recognition and, in the case of assets classified as held-to-maturity, re-evaluated this designation at the end of each reporting period.

(a) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are financial assets held for trading. A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term. Derivatives are also categorised as held for trading unless they are designated as hedges. Assets in this category are classified as current assets if expected to be settled within 12 months; otherwise, they are classified as non-current.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.11 Financial assets (Continued)

(iv) Accounting policies applied until 31st December 2017 (Continued)

(b) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except for maturities greater than 12 months after the end of reporting period. These are classified as non-current assets. The Group's loans and receivables comprise 'trade receivables and bills receivables', 'other receivables and deposit', 'amounts due from an associate', 'restricted bank deposits' and 'cash and cash equivalents' in the consolidated balance sheet.

(c) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are included in non-current assets unless the investment matures or management intends to dispose of it within 12 months of the end of the reporting period.

Reclassification

The Group may choose to reclassify a non-derivative trading financial asset out of the held for trading category if the financial asset is no longer held for the purpose of selling it in the near term. Financial assets other than loans and receivables are permitted to be reclassified out of the held for trading category only in rare circumstances arising from a single event that is unusual and highly unlikely to recur in the near term. In addition, the Group may choose to reclassify financial assets that would meet the definition of loans and receivables out of the held for trading or available-for-sale categories if the Group has the intention and ability to hold these financial assets for the foreseeable future or until maturity at the date of reclassification.

Reclassifications are made at fair value as of the reclassification date. Fair value becomes the new cost or amortised cost as applicable, and no reversals of fair value gains or losses recorded before reclassification date are subsequently made. Effective interest rates for financial assets reclassified to loans and receivables and held-to-maturity categories are determined at the reclassification date. Further increases in estimates of cash flows adjust effective interest rates prospectively.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.11 Financial assets (Continued)

(iv) Accounting policies applied until 31st December 2017 (Continued)

(c) Available-for-sale financial assets (Continued)

Recognition and measurement

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the tradedate – the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Investments are initially recognised at cost or fair value plus transaction costs for all financial assets not carried at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. Available-for-sale financial assets are subsequently carried at cost or fair value. Loans and receivables are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss category are presented in the consolidated income statement within 'other income and gains – net' in the period in which they arise.

Changes in the fair value of monetary and non-monetary securities classified as available for sale are recognised in other comprehensive income.

When securities classified as available-for-sale are sold or impaired, the accumulated fair value adjustments recognised in equity are included in the consolidated income statement as 'other income and gain – net'.

Interest on available-for-sale securities calculated using the effective interest method is recognised in the consolidated income statement as part of other income. Dividends on available-for-sale equity instruments are recognised in the consolidated income statement as part of other income when the Group's right to receive payments is established.

Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the consolidated balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The legally enforceable right must not be contingent on future events and must be enforceable in the normal course of business and in the event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy of the company or the counterparty.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.11 Financial assets (Continued)

(iv) Accounting policies applied until 31st December 2017 (continued)

(c) Available-for-sale financial assets (continued)

Offsetting financial instruments (continued)

Impairment of financial assets

(a) Assets carried at amortised cost

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred only if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

Evidence of impairment may include indications that the debtors or a group of debtors is experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments, the probability that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation, and where observable data indicate that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows, such as changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

For loans and receivables category, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced and the amount of the loss is recognised in the consolidated income statement. If a loan or held-to-maturity investment has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate determined under the contract. As a practical expedient, the Group may measure impairment on the basis of an instrument's fair value using an observable market price.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised (such as an improvement in the debtor's credit rating), the reversal of the previously recognised impairment loss is recognised in the consolidated income statement.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.11 Financial assets (Continued)

(iv) Accounting policies applied until 31st December 2017 (continued)

(c) Available-for-sale financial assets (continued)

Offsetting financial instruments (continued)

Impairment of financial assets (continued)

(b) Assets classified as available-for-sale

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired. For debt securities, if any such evidence exists the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in profit or loss – is removed from equity and recognised in profit or loss. If, in a subsequent period, the fair value of a debt instrument classified as available for sale increases and the increase can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised in profit or loss, the impairment loss is reversed through the consolidated income statement.

For equity investments stated at fair value, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is also evidence that the assets are impaired. If any such evidence exists the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised in profit or loss – is removed from equity and recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in the consolidated income statement on equity instruments are not reversed through the consolidated income statement.

For equity investments stated at cost, a significant worsening of financial results of the investee against the forecast is an evidence of impairment indictor of the investment. If there is an impairment indicator, impairment assessment would be performed to identify if there is any impairment necessary. Impairment losses recognised in the consolidated income statement on equity instruments are not reversed through the consolidated income statement.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.12 Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value on the date derivative contracts are entered into and are subsequently remeasured at their fair value.

The Group does not designate any derivatives as hedging instruments. Changes in fair values of derivatives that do not quality for hedge accounting are being included in the consolidated income statement as 'other income and gains – net'.

2.13 Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average basis, comprising all direct costs of purchase. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less applicable variable selling expenses.

2.14 Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. If collection of trade and other receivables is expected in one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer), they are classified as current assets. If not, they are presented as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less allowance for impairment. See Note 2.11 for a description of the Group's impairment policies.

2.15 Cash and cash equivalents

In the consolidated cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, and bank overdrafts. In the consolidated balance sheet, bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

2.16 Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.17 Trade payables

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Trade payables are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.18 Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in the consolidated income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw-down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the balance sheet date.

Borrowing costs are recognised in the consolidated income statements in the period in which they are incurred.

2.19 Current and deferred income tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the consolidated income statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case the tax is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

(a) Current income tax

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date in the countries where the Company and its subsidiaries operate and generate taxable income. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.19 Current and deferred income tax (Continued)

(b) Deferred income tax

Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, deferred income tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the end of the reporting period and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

The deferred tax liability in relation to investment property that is measured at fair value is determined assuming the property will be recovered entirely through sale.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only if it is probable that future taxable amounts will be available to utilise those temporary differences and losses.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are not recognised for temporary differences between the carrying amount and tax bases of investments in foreign operations where the company is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

(c) Offsetting

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and when the deferred tax balances relate to the same taxation authority. Current tax assets and tax liabilities are offset where the entity has a legally enforceable right to offset and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

2.20 Employee benefits

(a) Employee leave entitlements

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

Employee entitlements to sick leave and maternity or paternity leave are not recognised until the time of leave.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.20 Employee benefits (Continued)

(b) Bonus plans

The Group recognises a liability and an expense for bonuses, based on a formula that takes into consideration the profit attributable to the Company's shareholders after certain adjustments. The Group recognises a provision where contractually obliged or where there is a past practice that has created a constructive obligation.

(c) Pension obligations

Group companies participate in various defined contribution pension schemes, which are available to all qualified employees, the assets of which are held in separate trustee administered funds. The pension plans are funded by payments from employees and by the relevant Group companies. Contributions to the schemes by the Group are charged to the consolidated income statement as incurred.

(d) Share-based payments

Equity-settled share-based payment transactions

The Group operates a number of equity-settled, share-based compensation plans, under which the entity receives services from employees as consideration for equity instruments (options) of the Group. The fair value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of the options is recognised as an expense. The total amount to be expensed is determined by reference to the fair value of the options granted:

- including any market performance conditions (for example, an entity's share price);
- excluding the impact of any service and non-market performance vesting conditions (for example, profitability, sales growth targets and remaining an employee of the entity over a specified time period);
- and including the impact of any non-vesting conditions (for example, the requirement for employees to save).

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.20 Employee benefits (Continued)

(d) Share-based payments (Continued)

Equity-settled share-based payment transactions (Continued)

Non-market performance and service conditions are included in assumptions about the number of options that are expected to vest. The total expense is recognised over the vesting period, which is the period over which all of the specified vesting conditions are to be satisfied. In addition, in some circumstances employees may provide services in advance of the grant date and therefore the grant date fair value is estimated for the purposes of recognising the expense during the period between service commencement period and grant date. At the end of each reporting period, the Group revises its estimates of the number of options that are expected to vest based on the non-marketing performance and service conditions. It recognises the impact of the revision to original estimates, if any, in the consolidated income statement, with a corresponding adjustment to equity.

When the options are exercised, the Company issues new shares. The proceeds received net of any directly attributable transaction costs are credited to share capital (nominal value) and share premium.

(e) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated by the Group before the normal retirement date, or whenever an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. The Group recognises termination benefits when it is demonstrably committed to a termination when the entity has a detailed formal plan to terminate employment without possibility of withdrawal. In the case of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy, the termination benefits are measured based on the number of employees expected to accept the offer. Benefits falling due more than 12 months after the end of the reporting period are discounted to their present value.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.21 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

The Group recognises a warranty provision for repairs or replacement of products still under warranty period at the end of reporting period. The provision is calculated based on past historical experience of the level of repairs and replacements.

2.22 Revenue recognition

Sales of products

The Group principally derives revenue from trading of metalworking machinery, measuring instruments, cutting tools and electronic equipment. Sales of products transferred at a point in time are recognised when control of the products has transferred, being when the Group has delivered the products to the customers and the customers have accepted the products. The customers have full discretion over the products, and there is no unfulfilled obligation that could affect the customers' acceptance of the product. Delivery occurs when the products have been transported to the specified location.

As receivable is recognised when the goods are the goods are delivered as this is the point in time that the consideration is unconditional because only the passage of time is required before the payment is due.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.23 Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

2.24 Leases

Leases in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are charged to the consolidated income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

The Group leases certain leasehold land. Leases of leasehold land where the Group has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the lease's commencement at the lower of the fair value of the leased property and the present value of the minimum lease payments.

When the Group is the lessor, assets leased by the Group under operating leases are included in non-current assets, and rentals receivable under the operating leases are credited to the consolidated income statement on the straight-line basis over the lease terms.

2.25 Dividend distribution

Dividend distribution to the Company's shareholders is recognised as a liability in the Group's and Company's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved by the Company's shareholders or directors, where appropriate.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

3.1 Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including foreign exchange risk and cash flow and fair value interest rate risks), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's financial performance. The Group uses derivative financial instruments to manage certain risk exposures.

Risk management is carried out by the executive directors. The executive directors identify, evaluate and manage financial risks in close co-operation with the Group's operating units.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

(a) Foreign exchange risk

Management has set up a policy to require group companies to manage their foreign exchange risk against their functional currency by using forward contracts, translated with group treasury. The functional currency of the entity should primarily be determined with reference to the primary economic environment in which an entity operates and this will normally be the one in which it primarily generates and expends cash.

The Group has certain investments in foreign operations, whose net assets are exposed to foreign currency translation risk. Currency exposure arising from the net assets of the Group's foreign operations is managed primarily through borrowings denominated in the relevant foreign currencies.

Foreign exchange risk arises when future commercial transactions and net monetary assets and liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the entity's functional currency.

The foreign exposure of group entities with functional currency of JPY is mainly exposed to United States dollars ("USD"), Euro ("EUR"), HKD and Renminbi ("RMB").

As at 31st December 2018, a 5% strengthening/weakening of the JPY against USD, EUR, HKD and RMB, the post-tax profit of the year would have decreased/increased by HK\$93,000 (2017: increased/decreased by HK\$1,002,000), decreased/increased by HK\$68,000 (2017: decreased/increased by HK\$23,000), increased/decreased by HK\$1,550,000 (2017: increase/decreased by HK\$414,000) and increased/decreased by HK\$13,000 (2017: increased/decreased by HK\$33,000) respectively, mainly as a result of foreign exchange gain/losses on translation of trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, borrowings and cash and bank balances which are not denominated in JPY.

The foreign exposure of group entities with functional currency of EUR is mainly exposed to HKD.

As at 31st December 2018, a 5% strengthening/weakening of the EUR against HKD, post-tax profit of the year would have increased/decreased by HK\$246,000 (2017: increased/decreased by HK\$188,000), mainly as a result of foreign exchange gain/losses on translation of trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, cash and bank balances which are not denominated in EUR.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

(a) Foreign exchange risk (Continued)

This sensitivity analysis ignores any offsetting foreign exchange factors and has been determined assuming that the change in foreign exchange rates had occurred at the balance sheet date. The stated change represents management's assessment of reasonably possible changes in foreign exchange rates over the period until the next annual balance sheet date. There are no other significant monetary balances held by group companies at 31st December 2018 that are denominated in a non-functional currency. Differences resulting from the translation of financial statements into the Group's presentation currency are not taken into consideration.

(b) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

The Group's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates as the Group has no significant interest-bearing assets. The Group's exposures to changes in interest rates are mainly attributable to its borrowings.

Borrowings at variable rates exposed the Group to cash flow interest rate risk. Borrowings at fixed rates exposed the Group to fair value interest rate risk. Details of the Group's borrowings have been disclosed in Note 20.

During the year end, the borrowings of the Group at variable rates were denominated in HKD, USD, EUR, JPY and no borrowings were at fixed rate. The Group endeavored to maintain the borrowings on a relatively short term basis which would be refinanced when considered as appropriate. The Group has not used any interest rate swaps to hedge its exposure to interest rate risk.

The Group analyses its interest rate exposure on a dynamic basis. Various scenarios are simulated taking into consideration of refinancing, renewal of existing positions and alternative financing. Based on these scenarios, the Group calculates the impact on profit and loss and equity of a defined interest rate shift. For each simulation, the same interest rate shift is used. The scenarios are run only for liabilities that represent the major interest-bearing positions.

Based on the simulations performed, the impact on post-tax profit for the year of a 50 basis-point decrease/increase would be an increase/decrease of HK\$738,000 for the year ended 31st December 2018 (2017: HK\$516,000).

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

(c) Credit risk

The Group has no significant concentrations of credit risk. The Group's credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents, restricted bank deposits, counter party risk in respect of derivative financial instruments, as well as credit exposures to trade and bills receivables as well as other receivables (including amounts due from associates). The Group considers its maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying value of each class of financial assets as disclosed in Note 11.

To manage the counter party risk and credit risk in respect of cash and cash equivalents and restricted bank deposits, cash and deposits are mainly placed with reputable banks which are all high-credit-quality financial institutions. In addition, the Group has policies in place to ensure that sales of products and services are made to customers with an appropriate credit history, appropriate percentage of down payment and to perform periodic credit evaluations of its customers or made in cash. Collection of outstanding receivable balances and authorisation of credit limits to individual customers are closely monitored on an ongoing basis. The Group reviews the recoverable amount of each individual trade receivables to ensure that adequate impairment loss is made for irrecoverable amounts.

Credit risk refers to the risk that the counterparty to a financial instrument would fail to discharge its obligation under the terms of the financial instrument and cause a financial loss to the Group. The credit risk of the Group's financial assets, which mainly comprise cash and cash equivalent, trade and other receivables, amount due from fellow subsidiaries and related companies, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts of these instruments.

(i) Credit risk of cash and cash equivalents

To manage this risk arising from bank balances, they are all placed with those reputable banks which are high-credit quality financial institutions.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

- (c) Credit risk (Continued)
 - (ii) Credit risk of trade receivables

For trade receivables, the debtors have an appropriate credit history. Management considers the credit risk is not high. In addition, the Group has policies in place to ensure that sales of products and services are made to customers with an appropriate credit history, appropriate percentage of down payment and to perform periodic credit evaluations of its customers or made in cash. Collection of outstanding receivable balances and authorisation of credit limits to individual customers are closely monitored on an ongoing basis. The Group reviews the recoverable amount of each individual trade receivables to ensure that adequate impairment loss is made for irrecoverable amounts.

For trade receivables relating to accounts in which there are objective evidence that the debtor faces significant financial difficulties or enter liquidation, they are assessed individually for impairment allowance. Accordingly, specific loss allowance of HK\$3,369,000 was made as at 31st December 2018.

(iii) Credit risk of other receivables, amount due from fellow subsidiaries and related companies

The directors of the Group consider the probability of default upon initial recognition of asset and whether there has been significant increase in credit risk on an ongoing basis during the financial year. To assess whether there is a significant increase in credit risk the Group compares risk of a default occurring on the assets as at the reporting date with the risk of default as at the date of initial recognition. Especially the following indicators are incorporated:

- actual or expected significant adverse changes in business, financial economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant change to the third party's ability to meet its obligations;
- actual or expected significant changes in the operating results of the third party;
- significant changes in the expected performance and behavior of the third party, including changes in the payment status of the third party.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

- (c) Credit risk (Continued)
 - (iii) Credit risk of other receivables, amount due from fellow subsidiaries and related companies (continued)

Regardless of the analysis above, a significant increase in credit risk is presumed if a debtor is more than 180 days past due in making a contractual payment/repayable demanded.

A default on a financial asset is when the counterparty fails to make contractual payments/repayable demanded within 365 days of when they fail due.

Financial assets are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery, such as a debtor failing to engage in a repayment plan with the Group. The Group categories a receivable for write off when a debtor fails to make contractual payments/repayable demanded greater than 365 days past due. Where receivables have been written off, the Group continues to engage in enforcement activity to attempt to recover the receivable due. Where recoveries are made, these are recognised in profit or loss.

Based on historical experience, majority of the other receivables, amount due from fellow subsidiaries and related companies were settled shortly upon maturity, hence the expected credit loss is immaterial.

The Group reviews regularly the recoverable amount of each individual receivable to ensure that adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts. Over the term of the financial assets, the Group accounts for its credit risk by appropriately providing for expected credit losses on a timely basis. In calculating the expected credit loss rates, the Group considers historical loss rates for each category of debtors, and adjusts for forward looking macroeconomic data.

No significant changes to estimation techniques or assumptions were made during the financial year.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

(d) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and cash equivalents, the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities and the ability to close out market positions. Due to the dynamic nature of the underlying businesses, the Group aims to maintain flexibility in funding by keeping committed credit lines available from banks.

The Group had the following banking facilities with banks:

| As | at | 31 | st | December |
|----|----|----|----|----------|
|----|----|----|----|----------|

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Banking facilities available Banking facilities utilised | 726,916 (255,992) | 727,005 (164,095) |
| Undrawn banking facilities | 470,924 | 562,910 |

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

(d) Liquidity risk (Continued)

The table below analyses the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities and derivative financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. Derivative financial liabilities are included in the analysis if their contractual maturities are essential for an understanding of the timing of the cash flows. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within 12 months equal their carrying balances as the impact of discounting is not significant.

| | On demand or less than 1 year HK\$'000 | Between 1 and 2 years HK\$'000 | Between 2 and 5 years HK\$'000 |
|--|---|---|---|
| At Od at Danamhay 2010 | | | |
| At 31st December 2018 Trust receipt loans (Note 20) | 61,641 | _ | _ |
| Term loan from bank subject to a repayment | 2 1,0 11 | | |
| on demand clause and interest payment | 120,056 | - | - |
| Term loan from bank not subject to a repayment on demand clause and | | | |
| interest payment | 7,184 | 6,908 | 2,242 |
| Derivative financial instruments (Note 13) | 275 | - | - |
| Amount due to associate | 1,750 | - | - |
| Amount due to a non-controlling shareholder Trade and bills payables (Note 19) | 9,595 145,819 | _ | _ |
| Other payables | 21,729 | _ | - |
| | | | |
| | 368,049 | 6,908 | 2,242 |
| | | | |
| At 31st December 2017 | | | |
| Trust receipt loans (Note 20) | 40,532 | _ | - |
| Term loan from bank subject to a repayment on demand clause and interest payment | 90,056 | _ | _ |
| Term loan from bank not subject to | 00,000 | | |
| a repayment on demand clause and | | | |
| interest payment | 6,926 490 | 5,628 | _ |
| Derivative financial instruments (Note 13) Trade and bills payables (Note 19) | 110,452 | _ | _ |
| Other payables | 13,162 | _ | _ |
| | | | |
| | 261,618 | 5,628 | |

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.1 Financial risk factors (Continued)

(d) Liquidity risk (Continued)

The table below analyses the Group's derivative financial instruments that will be settled on a gross basis into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

| | Less than 1 year HK\$'000 |
|--|---------------------------------|
| | |
| At 31st December 2018 | |
| Forward foreign exchange contracts – held for trading: | |
| Outflow | 64,848 |
| Inflow | 64,889 |
| | |
| At 31st December 2017 | |
| Forward foreign exchange contracts – held for trading: | |
| Outflow | 43,074 |
| Inflow | 42.849 |

3.2 Capital risk management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares or sell assets to reduce debt.

Consistent with others in the industry, the Group monitors capital on the basis of the gearing ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total equity. Net debt is calculated as total borrowings less cash and cash equivalents.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.2 Capital risk management (Continued)

The gearing ratio at 31st December 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Total borrowings (Note 20) Less: cash and cash equivalents (Note 16) | 203,408 (52,874) | 142,810 (52,323) |
| Net debt | 150,534 | 90,487 |
| Total equity | 445,418 | 519,011 |
| Gearing ratio | 33.8% | 17.4% |

3.3 Fair value estimation

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets including trade receivables and bills receivables, other receivables, amounts due from an associate, restricted bank deposits and cash and bank balances; and financial liabilities including trade and bills payables, other payables and borrowings approximate their fair values due to their short maturities. The fair values of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market are determined by using valuation techniques.

The method by which the fair values of financial instruments are categorised as follows:

- (i) Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- (ii) Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (for example, as prices) or indirectly (for example, derived from prices).
- (iii) Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.

See Notes 7 and 8 for disclosure of the property, plant and equipment and investment property that are measured at fair value.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.3 Fair value estimation (Continued)

The Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair values at 31st December 2018:

| | Level 1 HK\$'000 | Level 2 HK\$'000 | Level 3 HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Assets Derivative financial instruments Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income | - | 316 | - | 316 |
| listed securitiesunlisted securities | 81,131 | | 8,089 | 81,131 8,089 |
| | 81,131 | 316 | 8,089 | 89,536 |
| Liabilities Derivative financial instruments | | 275 | | 275 |

The Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair values at 31st December 2017:

| | Level 1 HK\$'000 | Level 2 HK\$'000 | Level 3 HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Assets | | 005 | | 005 |
| Derivative financial instruments Available-for-sale financial assets – listed securities | 143,057 | 265 | | 265 143,057 |
| | 143,057 | 265 | _ | 143,322 |
| Liabilities Derivative financial instruments | | 490 | | 490 |

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

3.3 Fair value estimation (Continued)

The fair values of financial instruments traded in active markets are based on quoted market prices at the balance sheet date. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in level 1.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is include in level 3.

There were no significant transfers of financial assets between level 1 and level 2 fair value hierarchy classifications.

4 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting estimate will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

4 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS (CONTINUED)

(a) Provision of impairment of inventories

The Group reviews the carrying value of its inventories to ensure that they are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In assessing the net realisable value and making appropriate allowances, management identifies inventories that are moving or obsolete, considers their physical conditions, market conditions and market price for similar items.

(b) Provision for impairment of receivables

For trade receivables (excluding non-financial assets), the Group applies the simplified approach to provide for expected credit losses as prescribed by HKFRS 9, which requires the use of the lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables (excluding non-financial assets). The loss allowances for financial assets are based on assumptions about risk of default and expected loss rates. The Group uses judgement in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on the Group's past history, existing market conditions as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period. Management reassesses the provision at each balance sheet date.

5 SEGMENT INFORMATION

Management has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the chief operating decision maker, the Board of Directors, that are used to make strategic decisions.

The Board considers the business from a geographic perspective. Geographically, management considers the performance in the PRC, Hong Kong and other countries.

The Group is principally engaged in the trading, installation and provision of after-sales service of metalworking machinery, measuring instruments, cutting tools and electronic equipment in three main geographical areas, namely the PRC, Hong Kong and other countries (principally Singapore, Germany, Malaysia and Indonesia). The PRC, for the purpose of this consolidated financial statement, excludes Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macau.

5 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Profit for the year

The Board assesses the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of segment result, total assets and total capital expenditure. The Group primarily operates in Hong Kong and the PRC. The Group's sales by geographical location are determined by the country in which the customer is located.

| | For the year ended 31st December 2018 | | | 2018 |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | The PRC HK\$'000 | HK HK\$'000 | Others HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
| Sales | 693,735 | 99,404 | 21,697 | 814,836 |
| Segment results | 8,675 | 5,086 | (3,519) | 10,242 |
| Finance expense – net | | | | (4,696) |
| Share of post-tax profit of associates | | | | 19,626 |
| Profit before income tax | | | | 25,172 |
| Income tax expenses | | | | (5,395) |
| Profit for the year | | | | 19,777 |

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|--|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | The PRC HK\$'000 | HK HK\$'000 | Others HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
| Sales | 502,035 | 99,648 | 12,687 | 614,370 |
| Segment results | 11,319 | 3,312 | 1,331 | 15,962 |
| Finance expense – net | | | | (2,407) |
| Share of post-tax profit of associates | | | | 19,346 |
| Profit before income tax | | | | 32,901 |
| Income tax expenses | | | | (4,870) |
| | | | | |

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5 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

During the year ended 31st December 2018, there is no single customer whose revenue amounted to 10% or more of the Group's revenue (2017: there is no single customer whose revenue amounted to 10% or more of the Group's revenue).

Contract liabilities of HK\$58,496,000 were classified within "other payables, accruals and deposits received". It represents advanced payments received from customers for goods that have not been transferred to the customers. The contract liabilities as at 1st January 2018 is HK\$40,459,000. During the year ended 31st December 2018, all brought-forward contract liabilities at the beginning of the financial year were fully recognised as revenue. Increase in contract liabilities is mainly due to the increase in sales orders with advanced payments.

Assets

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Total assets: The PRC Hong Kong Other countries (Note (a)) | 335,417 399,271 198,005 | 266,960 372,054 230,415 |
| | 932,693 | 869,429 |

Total assets are allocated based on where the assets are located.

Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, leasehold land, investment properties, receivables, investment in associates, financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, derivative financial instruments, operating cash and deposits.

5 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

The depreciation of property, plant and equipment and amortisation of leasehold land for the year ended 31st December 2018 are HK\$9,980,000 (2017: HK\$8,835,000) and HK\$433,000 (2017: HK\$424,000) respectively.

Capital expenditure:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|--------------------|------------------|
| Capital expenditure: The PRC Hong Kong Other countries (Note (a)) | 298 87 4,784 | 507 680 |
| | 5,169 | 1,187 |

Capital expenditure is allocated based on where the assets are located.

Capital expenditure comprises mainly additions to property, plant and equipment.

Note:

(a) Other countries include Italy, Germany, Finland, Taiwan, Singapore, Macau, Indonesia and Malaysia.

6 LEASEHOLD LAND

The Group's interests in leasehold land represent prepaid operating lease payments and their movements during the year are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|-------------------|
| At 1st January Transfer to investment properties (Note 8) | 15,056 - | 16,473 (1,704) |
| Exchange differences Amortisation (Note 23) | (448) | 711 (424) |
| At 31st December | 14,175 | 15,056 |

7 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

| | Land and buildings HK\$'000 | Leasehold improvements HK\$'000 | Plant, machinery furniture and equipment HK\$'000 | Motor vehicles HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| A. 4 . 1 | | | | | |
| At 1st January 2017 | 001 100 | 05.740 | 40.500 | 1 101 | 000 570 |
| Cost or valuation | 201,109 | 35,742 | 42,530 | 1,191 | 280,572 |
| Accumulated depreciation | | (27,370) | (41,229) | (871) | (69,470) |
| Net book amount | 201,109 | 8,372 | 1,301 | 320 | 211,102 |
| Year ended 31st December 2017 | | | | | |
| Opening net book amount | 201,109 | 8,372 | 1,301 | 320 | 211,102 |
| Exchange differences | 603 | 298 | 39 | _ | 940 |
| Revaluation gain (Note 18) | 27,980 | | _ | _ | 27,980 |
| Additions | | 25 | 880 | 282 | 1,187 |
| Transfer to investment properties (Note 8) | (6,220) | _ | _ | _ | (6,220) |
| Depreciation (Note 23) | (6,893) | (1,183) | (679) | (80) | (8,835) |
| Depreciation (Note 20) | (0,090) | | (019) | | (0,000) |
| Closing net book amount | 216,579 | 7,512 | 1,541 | 522 | 226,154 |
| At 31st December 2017 | | | | | |
| Cost or valuation | 216,579 | 36,999 | 43,916 | 1,483 | 298,977 |
| Accumulated depreciation | , _ | (29,487) | (42,375) | (961) | (72,823) |
| ' | | | | | |
| Net book amount | 216,579 | 7,512 | 1,541 | 522 | 226,154 |
| Year ended 31st December 2018 | | | | | |
| Opening net book amount | 216,579 | 7,512 | 1,541 | 522 | 226,154 |
| Exchange differences | (366) | (165) | 111 | 18 | (402) |
| Revaluation gain (Note 18) | 21,790 | | _ | _ | 21,790 |
| Acquisition of a subsidiary (Note 32) | _ | _ | 90 | _ | 90 |
| Additions | 3,056 | 179 | 1,934 | _ | 5,169 |
| Disposals | _ | _ | (137) | _ | (137) |
| Depreciation (Note 23) | (7,900) | (1,149) | (783) | (148) | (9,980) |
| Closing net book amount | 222 150 | 6 277 | 2.756 | 392 | 242,684 |
| Closing het book amount | 233,159 | 6,377 | 2,756 | 392 | 242,004 |
| At 31st December 2018 | | | | | |
| Cost or valuation | 233,159 | 36,399 | 45,914 | 1,617 | 317,089 |
| Accumulated depreciation | | (30,022) | (43,158) | (1,225) | (74,405) |
| Net book amount | 233,159 | 6,377 | 2,756 | 392 | 242,684 |
| | | | | | |

7 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

The Group's buildings located in the PRC and the land and buildings located in Hong Kong and Indonesia were revalued at 31st December 2018 (2017: buildings located in the PRC and land and buildings located in Hong Kong) on the basis of an open market valuation performed by Jones Lang LaSalle Limited, a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

The valuation was derived using the direct comparison approach, assuming sale of the property interest in their existing state with the benefit of immediate vacant possession and by making reference to comparable sales transactions as available in the relevant market.

The fair value measurement of these land and buildings are categorised into level 3 in the fair value hierarchy based on the inputs to valuation techniques used.

The Group's policy is to recognise transfers into/out of fair value hierarchy levels as of the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. There were no such transfers during the year.

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Below is a summary of the key inputs to the valuation of properties for own use:

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| | unobservable inputs | (weighted average) | inputs to fair value |
|--|--|--|--|
| As at 31st December 2018 | | | |
| Land and buildings in Hong Kong Buildings in the PRC | Market unit sale price (per square foot) Market unit sale price (per square foot) | HK\$3,201-HK\$26,258 (HK\$15,471) HK\$1,484-HK\$3,743 (HK\$2,270) | The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value |
| As at 31st December 2017 | | | |
| Land and buildings in Hong Kong Buildings in the PRC | Market unit sale price (per square foot) Market unit sale price (per square foot) | HK\$2,713-HK\$25,012 (HK\$14,943) HK\$1,558-HK\$3,919 (HK\$2,282) | The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value |

Depreciation expense of HK\$9,980,000 (2017: HK\$8,835,000) has been charged in administrative expenses (Note 23).

7 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

If land and buildings were stated on the historical cost basis, the amounts would be as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Cost Accumulated depreciation | 52,420 (12,814) | 49,364 (12,048) |
| Net book amount | 39,606 | 37,316 |

Bank borrowings are secured on land and buildings with a carrying amount of HK\$202,800,000 (2017: HK\$188,600,000) (Note 20).

8 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

| At fair value | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| Opening balance at 1st January | 54,658 | 43,000 |
| Net gain from fair value adjustment (Note 22) | 1,121 | 3,034 |
| Transfer from owner-occupied property | _ | 7,924 |
| Exchange difference | (168) | 700 |
| | | |
| Closing balance at 31st December | 55,611 | 54,658 |

(a) Amounts recognised in consolidated income statement for investment properties

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---------------|------------------|------------------|
| Rental income | 2,679 | 2,005 |

As at 31st December 2018, the Group had no unprovided contractual obligations for further repairs and maintenance (2017: nil).

8 INVESTMENT PROPERTY (CONTINUED)

The investment properties situated in Hong Kong and Singapore are held on leases of between 10 to 50 years.

The investment property located in Hong Kong was revalued as at 31st December 2018 and 2017 by Jones Lang LaSalle Limited, a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors. The investment property of the Group located in Singapore was revalued as at 31st December 2018 by Dickson Property Consultants Pte Ltd. (2017: Orangetee Advisory Pte Limited), an independent firm of professional valuers.

The valuation was derived using the direct comparison approach, assuming sale of the property interest in their existing state with the benefit of immediate vacant possession and by making reference to comparable sales transactions as available in the relevant market.

The fair value measurement of the Group's investment properties are categorised into level 3 in the fair value hierarchy based on the inputs to valuation techniques used.

The Group's policy is to recognise transfers into/out of fair value hierarchy levels as of the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. There were no such transfers during the year.

Below is a summary of the key inputs to the valuation of investment properties:

| | Significant unobservable inputs | Price per square foot | Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value |
|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|---|
| As at 31st December 2018 | | | |
| Land and buildings in Hong Kong | Market unit sale price (per square foot) | HK\$8,820 | The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value |
| Land and buildings in Singapore | Market unit sale price (per square foot) | HK\$960 | The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value |
| As at 31st December 2017 | | | |
| Land and buildings in Hong Kong | Market unit sale price (per square foot) | HK\$8,505 | The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value |
| Land and buildings in Singapore | Market unit sale price (per square foot) | HK\$1,048 | The higher the price per square foot, the higher the fair value |

Bank borrowings are secured on investment properties with a carrying amount of HK\$55,611,000 (2017: HK\$54,658,000).

9 SUBSIDIARIES

The following is a list of principal subsidiaries at 31st December 2018:

| Company name | Place of Incorporation and kind of legal entity | Principal activities and place of operation | Issued/registered and fully paid capital | Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Company |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| Leeport Group Limited (Note (i)) | British Virgin Islands, limited liability company | Investment holding in Hong Kong | US\$50,000 | 100%1 |
| Leeport Machinery (Taiwan) Co., Limited (Formerly known as "Formtek Machinery Company Limited") (Note (i)) | Taiwan, limited liability company | Trading of metal forming machines and tools in Taiwan | NT\$8,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeda Machinery Limited | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Inactive | HK\$10,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Cutting Tools Corporation (Note (i)) | British Virgin Islands, limited liability company | Inactive | US\$10,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Electronics Limited | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Trading of electronic equipment in Hong Kong | HK\$2,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Machine Tool Company Limited | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Investment holding in Hong Kong | HK\$10,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Macao Commercial Offshore Limited (Note (i)) | Macau, limited liability company | Trading of machines, tools, accessories and measuring instruments in Macau | MOP100,000 | 100% |
| Leeport (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. (Note (i)) | Malaysia, limited liability company | Inactive | RM350,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Machine Tool (Shenzhen) Company Limited (Note (i)) | PRC, limited liability company | Trading of machines, tools and measuring instruments in the PRC | HK\$10,000,000 | 100% |

9 SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

| Company name | Place of Incorporation and kind of legal entity | Principal activities and place of operation | Issued/registered and fully paid capital | Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Company |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Leeport Machine Tool Trading (China) Limited (Note (i)) | PRC, limited liability company | Trading of machines, tools and measuring instruments in the PRC | RMB22,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeport (Singapore) Pte Ltd (Note (i)) | Singapore, limited liability company | Trading of machine tools and related products in Singapore | S\$1,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Machinery (Shanghai) Company Limited (Note (i)) | PRC, limited liability company | Trading of machines, tools and measuring instruments in the PRC | US\$1,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Metalforming Machinery Limited | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Trading of metalforming machines in Hong Kong | HK\$500,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Precision Machine Tool Company Limited (Formerly known as "Leeport Technology Limited") | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Trading of metalcutting machines in Hong Kong | HK\$1,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Technology Limited (Formerly known as "Leeport Precision Machine Tool Co. Limited") | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Trading of Measuring instruments in Hong Kong | HK\$5,000,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Tools Limited | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Trading of cutting tools in Hong Kong | HK\$1,000,000 | 100% |
| Rapman Limited | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Trading of rapid prototypes in Hong Kong | HK\$1,000,000 | 100% |
| World Leader Limited | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Property holding in Hong Kong and the PRC | HK\$1 | 100% |
| Leeport International (BVI) Company Limited (Note (i)) | British Virgin Islands, limited liability company | Investment holding in British Virgin Islands | HK\$50,000 | 100% |

9 SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

| Company name | Place of Incorporation and kind of legal entity | Principal activities and place of operation | Issued/registered and fully paid capital | Percentage of equity interest attributable to the Company |
|--|---|---|--|---|
| Leeport International (Hong Kong) Company Limited (Note (i)) | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Investment holding in Hong Kong | HK\$10,000 | 100% |
| Leeport Automation Company Limited (Note (i)) | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Investment holdings in Hong Kong | HK\$1 | 100% |
| Grassinger Technologies GmbH (Note (i)) | Germany, limited liability company | Provision of automation solutions and process and handling solutions in engineering and manufacturing | EUR25,000 | 80% |
| Screw and Fastener (Hong Kong) Co., Limited (Note (i)) | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Trading of screw and machine cutting tools in Hong Kong | HK\$10,000 | 51% |
| Screw and Fastener International Limited (Note (i)) | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Investment Holdings | HK\$5,000,000 | 51% |
| 昌賢威國際貿易(上海) 有限公司 (Note (i)) | PRC, limited liability company | Trading of screw and machine cutting tools in PRC | RMB1,034,562 | 51% |
| 深圳市螺總機械設備 有限公司 (Note (i)) | PRC, limited liability company | Trading of screw and machine cutting tools in PRC | RMB2,000,000 | 51% |
| PT. Leeport Machine Tool Indonesia (Note (i)) | Indonesia, limited liability company | Investment Holdings in Indonesia | Rp4,050,900,000 | 100% |
| Ricoseiki Limited (Note (i)) | Hong Kong, limited liability company | Inactive | HK\$10,000 | 75% |

Shares held directly by the Company

Note:

⁽i) PricewaterhouseCoopers Hong Kong is not the statutory auditor of these companies.

10 INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES

Movements of investments in associates are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| At 1st January Addition through capital injection without change of | 126,525 | 101,871 |
| shareholding Share of post-tax profits of associates Share of other comprehensive (loss)/income of associates | 18,491 19,626 (1,031) | - 19,346 7,839 |
| Dividend received from an associate | (8,311) | (2,531) |
| At 31st December | 155,300 | 126,525 |

Set out below are the associates of the Group as at 31st December 2018 and 2017. The associates as listed below have share capital consisting solely of ordinary shares.

Details of investment in associates as at 31st December 2018 and 2017 are as follows:

| Company name | Place of business/ country of incorporation | Effective % of ownership interest | | Principal activities and place of operation |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|-------|---|
| | | 2018 | 2017 | |
| Mitutoyo Leeport Metrology Corporation ("MLMC") | Hong Kong/British Virgin Islands | 49 | 49 | Trading of measuring tools |
| OPS-Ingersoll Funkenerosion GmbH ("OPS") | Germany/Germany | 22.34 | 22.34 | Manufacturing of metal working machinery |
| Prima Power Suzhou Co., Ltd. | The PRC/The PRC | 30 | 30 | Manufacturing of metal forming machinery |

There are no contingent liabilities relating to the Group's interest in the associates.

10 INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES (CONTINUED)

Summarised financial information of a material associate, MLMC

Included in investments in associates is an investment in MLMC which has a carrying amount of HK\$83,611,000 (2017: HK\$74,131,000), which is material to the Group. Set out below is the summarised financial information of MLMC.

Summarised balance sheet

| | MLMC | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|--|
| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 | |
| | | | |
| Current | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 156,742 | 147,043 | |
| Other current assets (excluding cash) | 72,700 | 54,427 | |
| | | | |
| | 229,442 | 201,470 | |
| | 223,442 | 201,470 | |
| | | | |
| Financial liabilities (excluding trade payables) | (68,158) | (56,605) | |
| Other current liabilities (including trade payables) | (2,788) | (3,555) | |
| | | | |
| Total current liabilities | (70,946) | (60,160) | |
| Total current habilities | (70,940) | (00,100) | |
| | | | |
| Non-current | | | |
| Assets | 5,150 | 3,001 | |
| | | | |
| Liabilities | (57) | (67) | |
| Liabilitios | (37) | | |
| | | | |
| Net assets | 163,590 | 144,244 | |

10 INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES (CONTINUED)

Summarised Income Statement

Dividends

| | MLMC | | |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------|--|
| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 | |
| Revenue Depreciation and amortisation Interest income | 288,862 (1,169) 41 | 267,359 (900) 30 | |
| Profit before income tax Income tax expenses | 40,139 (6,720) | 38,873 (6,600) | |
| Post-tax profit after tax Other comprehensive income | 33,419 2,888 | 32,273 4,729 | |
| Total comprehensive income | 36,307 | 37,002 | |

Reconciliation of summarised financial information presented to the carrying amount of MLMC is set out below:

16,961

5,164

| | MLMC | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 | |
| Opening net assets 1st January Profit for the year Other comprehensive income Dividend | 144,244 33,419 2,888 (16,961) | 112,406 32,273 4,729 (5,164) | |
| Closing net assets 31st December | 163,590 | 144,244 | |
| Interest in associates (49%) Goodwill | 80,159 3,452 | 70,679 3,452 | |
| Carrying value | 83,611 | 74,131 | |

11 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

| Assets as per consolidated balance sheet | Financial assets at amortised cost HK\$'000 | Financial assets at FVOCI HK\$'000 | Financial assets at FVPL HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|---|---|---|--|--------------------------|
| At 31st December 2018 | | | | |
| Derivative financial instruments (Note 13) Trade receivables and bills receivables | - | - | 316 | 316 |
| (Note 14) Other receivables and deposits Financial assets at fair value through other | 142,362 3,826 | - | - | 142,362 3,826 |
| comprehensive income (Note 12) | - | 89,220 | - | 89,220 |
| Restricted bank deposits (Note 16) | 26,576 261 | - | - | 26,576 261 |
| Amount due from an associate Cash and cash equivalents (Note 16) | 52,874 | | | 52,874 |
| Total | 225,899 | 89,220 | 316 | 315,435 |
| | | | | |
| | Loans and | Available- | Assets | |
| | receivables | for-sale | at FVPL | Total |
| Assets as per consolidated balance sheet | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| At 31st December 2017 | | | | |
| Derivative financial instruments (Note 13) Trade receivables and bills receivables | - | - | 265 | 265 |
| (Note 14) | 108,445 | _ | - | 108,445 |
| Other receivables and deposits | 3,093 | - | _ | 3,093 |
| Available-for-sale financial assets (Note 12) | - | 143,057 | _ | 143,057 |
| Restricted bank deposits (Note 16) Amount due from an associate | 19,307 2,766 | _ | _ | 19,307 2,766 |
| Cash and cash equivalents (Note 16) | 52,323 | | | 52,323 |
| Total | 185,934 | 143,057 | 265 | 329,256 |

11 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (CONTINUED)

| | Liabilities at amortised cost HK\$'000 | Liabilities at FVPL HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|--|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Liabilities as per consolidated balance sheet | | | |
| At 31st December 2018 | | | |
| Borrowings (Note 20) | 203,408 | - | 203,408 |
| Derivative financial instruments (Note 13) | - | 275 | 275 |
| Trade payables and bills payables (Note 19) | 145,819 | - | 145,819 |
| Other payables | 21,729 | - | 21,729 |
| Amount due to an associate | 1,750 | - | 1,750 |
| Amount due to a non-controlling shareholder | 9,595 | | 9,595 |
| Total | 382,301 | 275 | 382,576 |
| | | | |
| | Liabilities at | Liabilities | |
| | amortised cost | at FVPL | Total |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Liabilities as per consolidated balance sheet At 31st December 2017 | | | |
| Borrowings (Note 20) | 142,810 | _ | 142,810 |
| Derivative financial instruments (Note 13) | _ | 490 | 490 |
| Trade payables and bills payables (Note 19) | 110,452 | _ | 110,452 |
| Other payables | 13,162 | | 13,162 |
| Total | 266,424 | 490 | 266,914 |

12 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(i) Classification of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) comprise:

• Equity securities which are not held for trading, and which the Group has irrevocably elected at initial recognition to recognise in this category. These are strategic investments and the Group considers this classification to be more relevant.

(ii) Equity investments at fair value through other comprehensive income

Equity investments at FVOCI comprise the following investments:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Listed securities: - Equity securities – Europe | 81,131 | |
| Unlisted securities - Equity securities - Europe | 8,089 | |

These investments were classified as available-for-sale in 2017, see (iv) below. All of these investments were also held in the previous period, The Group increased its investment in the listed securities and unlisted investments during the current year at a cost of HK\$25,410,000 and HK\$89,000 respectively.

On disposal of these equity investments, any related balance within the FVOCI reserve is reclassified to retained earnings.

12 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED)

(ii) Equity investments at fair value through other comprehensive income (Continued)

In the prior financial year, the Group had designated equity investments as available-for-sale where management intended to hold them for the medium to long-term.

Note 2.2 explains the change of accounting policy and the reclassification of certain equity investments from available-for-sale to at fair value through profit or loss. Note 2.11 sets out the remaining accounting policies.

(iii) Amounts recognised in profit or loss and other comprehensive income

During the year, the following gains/(losses) were recognised in profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| (Losses)/income recognised in other comprehensive income (see note 18); 2017 relating to available-for-sale financial assets, see (iv) below) | (92,199) | 81,358 |
| Dividends from equity investments held at FVOCI recognised in profit or loss in other income (see Note 22) | 1.844 | 1.091 |

12 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED)

(iv) Financial assets previously classified as available-for-sale financial assets (2017)

Available-for-sale financial assets included the following classes of financial assets:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Listed securities: - Equity securities – Europe | | 143,057 |
| Unlisted securities - Equity securities - Europe | | 12,863 |

Classification of financial assets as available-for-sale

Investments were designated as available-for-sale financial assets if they did not have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and management intended to hold them for the medium to long-term. Financial assets that were not classified into any of the other categories (at FVPL, loans and receivables or held-to-maturity investments) were also included in the available-for-sale category.

The financial assets were presented as non-current assets unless they matured, or management intended to dispose of them within 12 months of the end of the reporting period.

A security was considered to be impaired if there had been a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value below its cost. See note 2.11 for further details about the Group's previous impairment policies for available-for-sale financial assets.

13 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

| | 20 | 18 | 20 | 17 |
|---|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| | Assets | Liabilities | Assets | Liabilities |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| Forward foreign exchange contracts – non-hedge instruments | 316 | 275 | 265 | 490 |

Derivatives held for trading purpose are classified as a current asset or liability. As at 31st December 2018, the Group had outstanding gross-settled foreign currency forward contracts to buy EUR2,680,000 for HKD24,280,000; GBP78,000 for HKD784,000; JPY546,357,000 for HKD38,553,000; USD57,000 for HKD446,000 and JPY11,110,000 for USD100,000 (2017: buy EUR1,300,000 for HKD11,979,000; JPY92,000,000 for USD829,000; JPY78,000,000 for RMB4,836,000 and JPY270,840,000 for HKD18,890,000).

Derivative financial instruments are presented within 'operating activities' as part of changes in working capital in the consolidated cash flow statement.

Fair value gains and losses on derivative financial instruments are recorded in 'other income and gains-net' in the consolidated income statement.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of the derivative assets in the consolidated balance sheet.

14 TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES, OTHER RECEIVABLES, PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| Non-current assets Prepayment for property, plant and equipment | _ | 677 |
| Prepayment for long-term investment | | 455 |
| | _ | 1,132 |
| Current assets | | |
| Trade and bills receivables | 145,731 | 111,987 |
| Less: provision for impairment of receivables | (3,369) | (3,542) |
| Trade receivables and bills receivables – net | 142,362 | 108,445 |
| Other receivables, prepayments and deposits | 33,047 | 26,467 |
| | 175,409 | 134,912 |
| Total | 175,409 | 136,044 |

The carrying amounts of trade and bills receivables, other receivables and deposits approximated their fair values.

At 31st December 2018 and 2017, the ageing analysis of trade and bills receivables by invoice date are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| Within 3 months | 118,854 | 88,095 |
| 4 – 6 months | 10,220 | 15,599 |
| 7 – 12 months | 5,419 | 2,957 |
| Over 12 months | 11,238 | 5,336 |
| | | |
| | 145,731 | 111,987 |
| Less: provision for impairment of receivables | (3,369) | (3,542) |
| | | |
| | 142,362 | 108,445 |
| | | |

14 TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES, OTHER RECEIVABLES, PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS (CONTINUED)

The Group generally grants credit terms of 30 days to its customers. Longer payment terms might be granted to those customers who have good payment history and long-term business relationship with the Group.

There is no concentration of credit risk with respect to trade receivables as the Group has a large number of customers.

The carrying amounts of the Group's trade and bills receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| EUR | 5,327 | 5,204 |
| HK\$ | 2,240 | 1,959 |
| JPY | 29,771 | 11,683 |
| USD | 9,784 | 12,195 |
| RMB | 94,587 | 76,397 |
| Other currencies | 653 | 1,007 |
| | | |
| | 142,362 | 108,445 |

14 TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES, OTHER RECEIVABLES, PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS (CONTINUED)

As at 31st December 2018, trade receivables of HK\$3,369,000 (2017: HK\$3,542,000) were impaired and were fully provided for. The individually impaired receivables mainly relate to customers which were in financial difficulties. The ageing analysis of these non-recoverable receivables based on due dates are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Over 12 months | 3,369 | 3,542 |

Movements of provision for impairment of trade receivables and bills receivables are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| At beginning of the year | 3,542 | 6,200 |
| Write off of receivables | - | (2,260) |
| Provision for impairment of receivables | 199 | 1,142 |
| Recovery of impaired receivables | (31) | (1,873) |
| Exchange difference | (341) | 333 |
| | | |
| At end of the year | 3,369 | 3,542 |

The creation and release of provision for impaired receivables has been included in administrative expenses in the consolidated income statement (Note 23). Amounts charged to the allowance account are generally written off when there is no expectation of recovering additional cash.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying values of each class of receivable mentioned above. The Group does not hold any collateral as security.

15 INVENTORIES

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Finished goods | 127,858 | 85,130 |
| Less: Provision for impairment of inventories | (25,749) | (23,689) |
| Inventories, net | 102,109 | 61,441 |

The provision for slow moving inventories charged to cost of goods sold amounted to HK\$1,771,000 (2017: HK\$1,806,000) (Note 23).

The cost of inventories recognised as expense and included in cost of goods sold amounted to HK\$671,025,000 (2017: HK\$505,315,000) (Note 23).

16 RESTRICTED BANK DEPOSITS AND CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Restricted bank deposits (Note (a)) | 26,576 | 19,307 |
| Cash at bank and in hand (Note (b)) | 52,874 | 52,323 |

(a) Restricted bank deposits of the Group are pledged to secure banking facilities granted to the Group. The effective interest rate on restricted bank deposits was 1.07% (2017: 1.25%) and these deposits have an average renewal period of 78 days (2017: 81 days). The carrying amounts of the Group's restricted bank deposits are mainly denominated in RMB and HK\$ (2017: RMB and HK\$).

16 RESTRICTED BANK DEPOSITS AND CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

(b) The table below shows the bank deposits balance by major counterparties as of 31st December 2018 and 2017.

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Restricted bank deposits - Listed financial institutions | 26,576 | 19,307 |
| Cash and cash equivalents Cash at banks and bank deposits - Listed financial institutions - Non-listed financial institutions | 52,308 218 | 52,000 63 |
| Cash in hand | 52,526 348 | 52,063 260 |
| Total | 52,874 | 52,323 |

The carrying amounts of the Group's cash at bank and in hand are denominated in the following currencies:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| EUR | 939 | 1,489 |
| HK\$ | 3,898 | 3,419 |
| JPY | 3,418 | 11,939 |
| USD | 1,845 | 2,977 |
| RMB | 40,178 | 30,369 |
| Other currencies | 2,596 | 2,130 |
| | | |
| | 52,874 | 52,323 |

Renminbi is not a freely convertible currency in the international market. The conversion of Renminbi into foreign currencies and remittance of Renminbi out of the PRC are subject to the rules and regulations of foreign exchange control promulgated by the government of the PRC.

17 SHARE CAPITAL

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Authorised: 1,000,000,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.10 each | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| | Number of shares (in thousand) | Share capital HK\$'000 |
| Issued and fully paid: At 1st January 2017 Exercise of options | 225,542 4,534 | 22,554 453 |
| At 31st December 2017 and 2018 | 230,076 | 23,007 |

Share options

The Company adopted a share option scheme (the "Old Scheme") at a special general meeting held on 17th June 2003. At the annual general meeting of shareholders held on 15th May 2013, the Old Scheme was terminated and a new share option scheme (the "New Scheme") was adopted by the Company. The New Scheme continues to recognise and acknowledge the contributions of the Eligible Participants (as defined in the New Scheme) to the Group. The New Scheme is also designed to provide incentives and help the Group in retaining its existing employees and recruiting additional employees.

Pursuant to the New Scheme, the Company can grant options to eligible participants for a consideration of HK\$1 for each grant payable by the eligible participants to the Company. The total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of options granted to eligible participants (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding options) shall not exceed 10% of the shares in issue as at the date of such shareholder's approval. At the date of this report, the total number of options that can be granted was 12,546,406 representing approximately 5.45% of the number of issued shares in issue as at the approval of the New Share Option Scheme.

Subscription price in relation to each option pursuant to the New Scheme shall not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheet on the date on which the option is offered to an Eligible Participant; (ii) the average closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the five business days immediately preceding the date of offer; and (iii) the nominal value of the shares.

17 SHARE CAPITAL (CONTINUED)

Share options (Continued)

The options are exercisable within the option period as determined by the Board of the Company. The New Scheme shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing from 15th May 2013, the date of the approval of the New Scheme.

Share options are granted to directors and to selected employees. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to repurchase or settle the options in cash.

Movements in the number of share options outstanding and their related exercise prices are as follows:

| | 2 Average exercise price in | 018 Number of | 20 Average exercise price in | 017 Number of |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | HK\$ per share option | share options (thousands) | HK\$ per share option | share options (thousands) |
| At 1st January Exercised Lapsed | - - - | - - - | 1.026 1.026 1.026 | 6,039 (4,534) (1,505) |
| At 31st December | | | | _ |

During the year ended 31st December 2017, 4,534,000 shares were issued at HK\$1.026 pursuant to the exercise of share options. The related weighted average share price at the time of exercise was HK\$1.45. No transaction costs has been borne by the Group.

No share options were outstanding at the end of the year.

18 OTHER RESERVES

| Share premium HK\$'000 | Land and building revaluation reserve HK\$'000 | Exchange reserve HK\$'000 | Other reserve HK\$'000 | Merger reserve HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | (| | | |
| 33,312 | | | 14,154 | 11,310 | 168,483 |
| - | | 713 | _ | - | 1,659 |
| - | | - | - | - | 27,980 |
| - | (3,489) | - | - | - | (3,489) |
| | | | | | |
| - | - | 7,839 | - | - | 7,839 |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| - | (5,694) | _ | - | _ | (5,694) |
| | | | | | |
| - | - | - | 81,358 | - | 81,358 |
| | | | | | |
| 4,198 | | | | | 4,198 |
| 37,510 | 196,308 | (58,306) | 95,512 | 11,310 | 282,334 |
| 37.510 | 196.308 | (58.306) | 95.512 | 11,310 | 282,334 |
| · _ | • | | | · _ | (4,869) |
| _ | | _ | _ | _ | 21,790 |
| _ | · · | _ | _ | _ | (2,515) |
| | (=,= :=) | | | | (-,) |
| _ | _ | (1 031) | _ | _ | (1,031) |
| | | (1,001) | | | (1,001) |
| | | | | | |
| _ | (6 531) | _ | _ | _ | (6,531) |
| | (0,001) | | | | (0,001) |
| | | | | | |
| | | _ | (02 100) | | (92,199) |
| | | | (32,133) | | (32,133) |
| | | (63,934) | 3,313 | | |
| | 97 premium HK\$'000 33,312 | Share premium HK\$'000 building revaluation reserve HK\$'000 33,312 176,565 - 946 - 27,980 - (3,489) - (5,694) - 4,198 - 196,308 | Share premium premium premium premium HK\$'000 Lexchange reserve HK\$'000 Exchange reserve HK\$'000 33,312 176,565 (66,858) (66,858) - 946 (713) - - 27,980 (3,489) - - (3,489) - - (5,694) - - - - 4,198 - - 37,510 196,308 (58,306) (58,306) - (272) (4,597) - - (2,515) - - (2,515) - - (6,531) - | Share premium premium HK\$'000 revaluation reserve HK\$'000 Exchange reserve reserve HK\$'000 Other reserve reserve HK\$'000 33,312 176,565 (66,858) 14,154 - 946 713 - - 27,980 - - - (3,489) - - - 7,839 - - - - 81,358 4,198 - - - 37,510 196,308 (58,306) 95,512 - (272) (4,597) - - (2,515) - - - (1,031) - | Share premium premium HK\$'000 revaluation reserve HK\$'000 Exchange reserve reserve reserve reserve HK\$'000 Merger reserve reserve reserve reserve HK\$'000 33,312 176,565 (66,858) 14,154 11,310 - 946 713 - - - 27,980 - - - - (3,489) - - - - - 7,839 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - |

19 TRADE, BILLS PAYABLES, OTHER PAYABLES, ACCRUALS AND DEPOSITS RECEIVED

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Trade payables and bills payables Other payables, accruals and deposits received (Note) | 145,819 90,030 | 110,452 63,355 |
| | 235,849 | 173,807 |

The carrying amounts of trade payables and bill payables, other payables, accruals and contract liabilities approximate their fair values.

Note: Contract liabilities of HK\$58,496,000 were classified within "other payables, accruals and deposits received". It represents advanced payments received from customers for goods that have not been transferred to the customers. The contract liabilities as at 1st January 2018 is HK\$40,459,000.

At 31st December, the ageing analysis of trade payables and bills payables by due date are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|---|---|
| Current 1 – 3 months 4 – 6 months 7 – 12 months Over 12 months | 134,021 3,874 1,393 - 6,531 | 100,298 7,726 734 613 1,081 |
| | 145,819 | 110,452 |

The carrying amounts of the trade payables and bills payables are denominated in the following currencies:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| JPY | 39,691 | 31,445 |
| EUR USD RMB | 12,660 12,217 77,006 | 9,249 8,694 58,018 |
| HK\$ Others | 691 3,554 | 163 2,883 |
| | 145,819 | 110,452 |

20 BORROWINGS

As at 31st December 2018, the Group's borrowings were repayable as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Non-current Portions of term loans from bank due for repayment after one year | 8,889 | 5,556 |
| Current Trust receipt loans Portions of term loans from banks due for repayment within one year or with repayment on demand clause | 61,641 | 40,532 96,722 |
| | 194,519 | 137,254 |
| Total borrowings | 203,408 | 142,810 |

As at 31st December 2018, certain land and buildings, leasehold land, investment properties and restricted bank deposits in Hong Kong, Shenzhen and Singapore with an aggregate carrying value of approximately HK\$284,987,000 (2017: HK\$262,565,000) were pledged to secure the banking facilities of the Group.

The facilities expiring within one year are annual facilities subject to review at various dates during

The exposure of the Group's borrowings to interest rate changes and the contractual repricing dates at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Within 1 year - Term loans - Others | 141,767 61,641 | 102,278 40,532 |
| | 203,408 | 142,810 |

20 BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)

The fair values of the Group's borrowings approximate their carrying amounts at each balance sheet date. They are determined based on discounted cash flows using a rate based on the borrowing rate of 2.96% (2017: 2.84%) and are within level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The effective interest rates per annum at the balance sheet date are as follows:

| | | | 2018 | | | | | 2017 | | |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| | HK\$ | US\$ | EUR | JPY | GBP | HK\$ | US\$ | EUR | JPY | GBP |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Trust receipts loans | 3.87% | 4.75% | 1.25% | 1.98% | 1.75% | - | 3.71% | 2.25% | 1.82% | - |
| Bank loans | 4.23% | - | - | - | - | 3.10% | - | - | - | - |

The maturity of borrowings (without considering the "repayable on demand" clauses for 31st December 2018 and 2017) is as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Within 1 year Between 1 and 2 years Between 2 and 5 years | 194,519 6,667 2,222 | 137,254 5,556 |
| | 203,408 | 142,810 |

The carrying amounts of the borrowings are denominated in the following currencies:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|------|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| EUR | 12,829 | 1,586 |
| HK\$ | 157,211 | 102,278 |
| JPY | 31,436 | 17,388 |
| USD | 1,479 | 21,558 |
| GBP | 453 | _ |
| | | |
| | 203,408 | 142,810 |

21 DEFERRED INCOME TAX

The movement in deferred income tax liabilities during the year is as follows:

| Accelerated tax depreciation | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|
| At beginning of the year Debited to consolidated income statement (Note 26) Debited directly to equity (Note 18) | 29,809 2 2,515 | 26,044 276 3,489 |
| At end of the year | 32,326 | 29,809 |

The deferred income tax charged to equity during the year is as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Land and building revaluation reserves (Note 18) | 2,515 | 3,489 |

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for tax losses carried forward to the extent that realisation of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable. The Group did not recognise deferred income tax assets of HK\$15,793,000 (2017: HK\$13,056,000) in respect of losses amounting to HK\$91,025,000 (2017: HK\$76,695,000) that can be carried forward against future taxable income. All unrecognised tax loss have no expiry date (2017: Nil).

22 OTHER INCOME AND GAINS - NET

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| Derivative instruments – forward contracts: | | |
| Realised and unrealised net fair value gain | 40 | 569 |
| Rental income | 2,679 | 2,175 |
| Service income | 7,508 | 7,299 |
| Commission income | 584 | 678 |
| Net fair value gain on an investment properties (Note 8) | 1,121 | 3,034 |
| Other income | 1,135 | 3,448 |
| Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through | | |
| other comprehensive income | 1,844 | _ |
| Dividend income from available-for-sale financial assets | _ | 1,091 |
| Management fee income from an associate | 1,565 | 1,565 |
| | | |
| | 16,476 | 19,859 |

23 EXPENSES BY NATURE

Expenses included in cost of goods sold, selling and distribution costs and administrative expenses are analysed as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| | | |
| Auditors' remuneration | | |
| - Audit services | 2,758 | 2,651 |
| - Non-audit services | 280 | 257 |
| Cost of inventories sold | 671,025 | 505,315 |
| Depreciation on property, plant and equipment | 9,980 | 8,835 |
| Amortisation on leasehold land (Note 6) | 433 | 424 |
| Operating lease rentals | 2,783 | 1,621 |
| Provision for slow moving inventories | 1,771 | 1,806 |
| Provision for impairment of trade and bills receivables | 199 | 1,142 |
| Recovery of impaired receivables | (31) | (1,873) |
| Foreign exchange loss/(gain) | 3,759 | (6,953) |
| Employee benefits expenses (including directors' | | , , , |
| remuneration) (Note 24) | 68,023 | 57,617 |
| Other expenses | 60,090 | 47,425 |
| · | | |
| Total cost of goods sold, selling and distribution costs | | |
| and administrative expenses | 821,070 | 618,267 |
| and auministrative expenses | 021,070 | 010,207 |

24 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSES

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Wages and salaries, including other termination benefits HK\$16,000 (2017: HK\$66,000) Pension costs – defined contribution plans (Note (a)) | 58,880 9,143 | 50,932 6,685 |
| | 68,023 | 57,617 |

24 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSES (CONTINUED)

(a) Pensions - defined contribution plans

The Group operated a defined contribution retirement scheme, an Occupational Retirement Scheme, for qualified employees, including executive directors of the Company, in Hong Kong prior to 1st December 2000. The cost charged to the consolidated income statement represents contributions payable or paid to the funds by the Group at the rate of 5% of the salary with a current ceiling of HK\$1,500 per month for general staff and there is no ceiling for managerial staff. Where there are employees who leave the scheme prior to vesting fully in the contributions, the contributions payable by the Group are reduced by the amount of forfeited contributions.

Commencing on 1st December 2000, the existing employees in Hong Kong may elect to join the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme ("MPF Scheme"), and all new employees in Hong Kong are required to join the MPF Scheme. Under the MPF Scheme, the employer and its employees in Hong Kong are each required to contribute 5% of their gross earnings with a ceiling of HK\$1,500 per month to the MPF Scheme. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the MPF Scheme is to make the required contributions under the scheme. The MPF contributions charged to the consolidated income statement represent the contributions payable or paid to the funds by the Group.

Contributions totalling HK\$49,000 (2017: HK\$47,000) were payable to the funds at the year end.

Employees in the subsidiaries operating in the PRC are required to participate in defined contribution retirement schemes operated by the local municipal governments. The retirement schemes for employees of the overseas subsidiaries follow the local statutory requirements of the respective countries. Contributions are made to the schemes based on a certain percentage of the applicable employee payroll.

There is no forfeited contributions utilised during the year (2017: Nil).

24 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSES (CONTINUED)

(b) Five highest paid individuals

The five individuals whose emoluments were the highest in the Group for the year included four (2017: four) directors whose emoluments are reflected in the analysis shown in Note 36. The emoluments payable to the remaining one (2017: one) individuals during the year are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind Pension costs – defined contribution plans | 975 49 | 975 49 |
| | 1,024 | 1,024 |

The emoluments fell within the following bands:

| | | - | | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|------|-------|----|-----|----|
| Num | hor | O.t | Inc | 111/ | 10 | 112 | ıc |
| Nulli | vei | OI. | 1110 | 1 I V | ıu | ua | |

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|---|------|------|
| Emolument bands (in HK dollar) HK\$1,000,001 – HK\$1,500,000 | 1 | 1 |
| | 1 | 1 |

25 FINANCE INCOME AND EXPENSES

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Finance expenses Interest expense on: | (2.22) | (2.22) |
| bank overdrafts, trust receipt loans and bank borrowings Finance income | (6,323) | (3,882) |
| Interest income on short-term bank deposits Interest income on loan to an associate | 515 1,112 | 576 899 |
| | 1,627 | 1,475 |
| Finance expenses – net | (4,696) | (2,407) |

26 INCOME TAX EXPENSE

The amount of taxation charged to the consolidated income statement represents:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Current income tax - Hong Kong profits tax - PRC and overseas taxation - Over provision in previous years Deferred income tax (Note 21) | 6 5,387 - 2 | 366 4,283 (55) 276 |
| Dolottod Indottic tax (Note 21) | 5,395 | 4,870 |

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2017: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profit for the year.

Enterprise income tax ("EIT") in the PRC has been provided at the rate of 25% (2017: 25%) on the estimated assessable profit for the year with certain preferential provisions.

Corporate tax in Singapore has been provided at the rate of 17% (2017: 17%) on the estimated assessable profit for the year.

Taxation on other overseas profits has been calculated on the estimated assessable profit for the year at the rates of taxation prevailing in the countries in which the subsidiaries of the Group operate.

26 INCOME TAX EXPENSE (CONTINUED)

The tax on the Group's profit before income tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the domestic tax rates applicable to profit of the consolidated entities are as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|---|--|
| Profit before income tax | 25,172 | 32,901 |
| Share of post-tax profits of associates | (19,626) | (19,346) |
| Adjusted profit before income tax | 5,546 | 13,555 |
| Tax calculated at domestic tax rates applicable to profit in the respective countries Income not subject to taxation Expenses not deductible for taxation purposes Tax losses for which no deferred income tax asset was recognised Utilisation of previous unrecognised temporary difference Over provision in previous years Withholding tax | 643 (2,760) 3,193 2,854 (374) - 1,839 | 2,176 (2,141) 2,446 1,880 (1,001) (55) 1,565 |
| Income tax expense | 5,395 | 4,870 |

27 REALISED AND UNREALISED FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAIN/LOSS

The realised exchange loss of HK\$1,809,000 and unrealised exchange loss of HK\$1,850,000 recognised in the consolidated income statement are included as administrative expenses for the year ended 31st December 2018 (2017: realised exchange gain of HK\$449,000 and unrealised exchange gain of HK\$6,504,000).

28 EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Profit attributable to owners of the Company (HK\$'000) | 19,210 | 28,031 |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (in thousands) | 230,076 | 228,895 |
| Basic earnings per share attributable to equity owners of the Company (HK cents per share) | 8.35 | 12.25 |

(b) Diluted

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company has one category of dilutive potential ordinary share: share options. For share options, the number of shares that would have been issued assuming the exercise of the share options less the number of shares that could have been issued at fair value (determined as the average market price per share for the year) for the same total proceeds is the number of shares issued for no consideration. The resulting number of shares issued for no consideration is included in the weighted average number of ordinary shares as the denominator for calculating diluted earnings per share. There are no share options during the year ended 31st December 2018, hence no diluted earnings per share was presented.

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (HK\$'000) | 19,210 | 28,031 |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (in thousands) | 230,076 | 228,895 |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares for diluted earnings per share (in thousands) | 230,076 | 228,895 |
| Diluted earnings per share (HK cents) | N/A | 12.25 |

29 **DIVIDENDS**

The dividends paid in 2018 and 2017 were HK\$14,955,000 (HK6.5 cents per share) and HK\$17,255,000 (HK7.5 cents per share) respectively. A final dividend in respect of the year ended 31st December 2018 of HK2.5 cents per share, amounting to a total dividend of HK\$5,752,000, is to be proposed at the annual general meeting on 17th June 2019. These financial statements do not reflect this dividend payable.

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Interim, paid, of HK3.0 cents (2017: HK4.5 cents) | | |
| per ordinary share | 6,902 | 10,353 |
| Final, proposed, of HK2.5 cents (2017: HK3.5 cents) per ordinary share | 5,752 | 8,053 |
| | 12,654 | 18,406 |

30 CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Profit before income tax | 25 172 | 32,901 |
| Adjustments for: | 25,172 | 32,901 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 7) | 9,980 | 8,835 |
| - Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 7) - Amortisation on leasehold land (Note 6) | 433 | 424 |
| Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment | 433 | 424 |
| (see Note (a) below) | 2 | _ |
| - Fair value gain of investment properties | (1,121) | (3,034) |
| - Fair value gain or investment properties - Fair value gain on derivative financial instruments | (1,121) | (0,004) |
| (Note 22) | (40) | (569) |
| - Interest income | (1,627) | (1,475) |
| - Interest income - Interest expense | 6,323 | 3,882 |
| - Unrealised exchange loss/(gain) | 1,850 | (6,953) |
| Provision for slow moving inventories (Note 15) | 1,771 | 1,806 |
| Provision for impairment of trade receivables (Note 14) | 199 | 1,142 |
| - Recovery of impaired receivables (Note 14) | (31) | (1,873) |
| - Share of profits of associates (Note 10) | (19,626) | (19,346) |
| Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through | | (,) |
| other comprehensive income | (1,844) | _ |
| Dividend income from available-for-sale financial assets | _ | (1,091) |
| | | |
| Operating cash inflow before working capital changes: | 21,441 | 14,649 |
| Changes in working capital (excluding the effects of | 21,441 | 14,049 |
| exchange differences on consolidation): | | |
| Inventories | (41,524) | 1,035 |
| Trade receivables and bills receivables, other | (+1,52+) | 1,000 |
| receivables, prepayments and deposits | (35,154) | (13,151) |
| Trade payables and bills payables, other payables, | (00,104) | (10,101) |
| accruals and deposits received | 57,747 | 13,052 |
| accidate and deposite received | | |
| Cash generated from operations | 2,510 | 15,585 |
| Cash generated norn operations | 2,310 | 10,000 |

30 CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

Note:

(a) In the cash flow statement, proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment comprise:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Net book amount (Note 7) Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment | 137 (2) | |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | 135 | _ |

(b) Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

This section sets out an analysis of liabilities arising from financing activities and the movements in liabilities arising from financing activities for each of the years presented.

| | Bank overdrafts HK\$'000 | Borrowing due within 1 year HK\$'000 | Borrowing due after 1 year HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|---|--------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------|
| As at 1st January 2018 Cash flows Exchange difference | | 137,254 56,967 298 | 5,556 3,333 | 142,810 60,300 298 |
| As at 31st December 2018 | | 194,519 | 8,889 | 203,408 |
| As at 1st January 2017 Cash flows Exchange difference | 846 (846) | 127,239 10,053 (38) | 17,778 (12,222) | 145,863 (3,015) (38) |
| As at 31st December 2017 | _ | 137,254 | 5,556 | 142,810 |

31 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Letters of guarantee given to customers | 4,631 | 5,472 |

Certain subsidiaries have given undertakings to banks that they will perform certain contractual non-financial obligations to third parties. In return, the banks have provided letters of guarantee to third parties on behalf of these subsidiaries.

32 BUSINESS COMBINATION

On 1st January 2018, a subsidiary of the Group, Leeport Machine Tool Company Limited, acquired 51% of the issued shares in Screw and Fastener (Hong Kong) Company Limited, a trader of screw and machine cutting tools, for consideration of HK\$455,000. The acquisition is expected to increase the Group's market share and reduce cost through economies of scale.

The following table summarises the consideration paid for the acquisition, the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date, which are determined on a provisional basis.

| | HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------------|
| Cash consideration – prepaid in the previous year | 455 |
| | |
| | Fair value HK\$'000 |
| Cach and each aquivalents | 9 927 |
| Cash and cash equivalents Property, plant and equipment | 8,837 90 |
| Trade receivables | 4,432 |
| Other receivables, prepayments and deposits | 1,340 |
| Inventories | 2,875 |
| Trade payables | (346) |
| Other payables, accruals and deposits received | (6,717) |
| Amount due to non-controlling interest | (9,618) |
| Net identifiable assets acquired | 893 |
| Less: non-controlling interest | (438) |
| | 455 |

Acquisition-related costs of HK\$20,000 are included in administrative expenses in profit or loss.

The acquired business contributed revenues of HK\$31,380,000 and net profit of HK\$1,577,000 to the Group for the year ended 31st December 2018 from 1st January 2018 to 31st December 2018.

33 COMMITMENTS

(a) Commitments under operating leases

As lessee

The Group had future aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases in respect of land and buildings as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Not later than one year | 703 | 477 |

(b) Capital commitment

Capital expenditure contracted for at the end of the year but not yet incurred is as follows:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Property, plant and equipment | | 2,707 |

34 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Group is controlled by Peak Power Technology Limited (incorporated in the British Virgin Island), which owns 64.08% of the Company's shares. The remaining 35.92% of the shares are widely held.

In addition to those disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the following transactions were carried:

(a) Key management compensation

Key management includes directors (executive and non-executive) and members of executive committee. The compensation paid or payable to key management for employee services is shown below:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Salaries and other short-term employee benefits Pension costs – defined contribution plans | 9,418 | 8,966 306 |
| | 9,710 | 9,272 |

(b) Sales and purchases of goods and services:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Purchase of goods from associates – MLMC – Prima | 8,986 47,046 | 2,976 17,066 |
| | 56,032 | 20,042 |
| Management fee income from an associate (Note 22) – MLMC | 1,565 | 1,565 |

The transactions were conducted in the normal course of business at price and terms mutually agreed between both parties.

34 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

(c) Year-end balance arising from sales and purchase of goods/services

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Receivables from an associate - MLMC | 261 | 2,766 |
| Payable to an associate – MLMC | 1,750 | |

(d) Amount due to a non-controlling shareholder

The balance is unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

(e) Loan to an associate

The balance represents a loan made to an associate – OPS. The loan is unsecured, interest bearing at HIBOR plus 4.5% per annum and will not be repaid within the next twelve months but within two years from the reporting date. During the year, interest received from OPS amounted to HK\$1,112,000 (2017: HK\$899,000).

As at 31st December 2018, the carrying value of the loan to an associate was HK\$18,158,000 (2017: HK\$18,970,000). Based on assessment on the recoverability of the balance, management considers there is no expected credit loss.

35 BALANCE SHEET AND RESERVE MOVEMENT OF THE COMPANY

Balance sheet of the Company

As at 31st December

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Non-current assets Investments in subsidiaries | 92,327 | 92,327 |
| Amounts due from subsidiaries | 56,613 | 52,471 |
| | 148,940 | 144,798 |
| Current assets Amounts due from subsidiaries Other receivables and prepayments Tax recoverable Cash and cash equivalents | 12,000 273 21 16 | 19,000 244 21 84 |
| | 12,310 | 19,349 |
| Total assets | 161,250 | 164,147 |
| EQUITY Capital and reserves attributable to the owners of the Company | | |
| Share capital | 23,007 | 23,007 |
| Other reserves Note Retained earnings Note | | 131,761 9,345 |
| Total equity | 161,207 | 164,113 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Current liabilities Other payables | 43 | 34 |
| Total liabilities | 43 | 34 |
| Total equity and liabilities | 161,250 | 164,147 |

The balance sheet of the Company was approved by the Board of Directors on 29th March 2019 and were signed on its behalf.

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35 BALANCE SHEET AND RESERVE MOVEMENT OF THE COMPANY (CONTINUED)

Note (a) Reserve movement of the Company

| | Share premium HK\$'000 | Contributed surplus HK\$'000 | Exchange reserve HK\$'000 | Other reserve HK\$'000 | Retained earnings HK\$'000 | Total HK\$'000 |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| At 1st January 2017 Profit for the year Employee share option scheme – Exercise of share options | 33,312 - 4,198 | 91,445 - - | (1,676) - - | 4,482 - - | 8,013 18,587 | 135,576 18,587 4,198 |
| Dividend paid relating to 2016 Dividend paid relating to 2017 | | | | | (6,902) (10,353) | (6,902) (10,353) |
| At 31st December 2017 | 37,510 | 91,445 | (1,676) | 4,482 | 9,345 | 141,106 |
| At 1st January 2018 Profit for the year Dividend paid relating to 2017 Dividend paid relating to 2018 | 37,510 - - - | 91,445 - - - | (1,676) - - - | 4,482 - - - | 9,345 12,049 (8,053) (6,902) | 141,106 12,049 (8,053) (6,902) |
| At 31st December 2018 | 37,510 | 91,445 | (1,676) | 4,482 | 6,439 | 138,200 |

36 BENEFITS AND INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS (DISCLOSURES REQUIRED BY SECTION 383 OF THE HONG KONG COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 622), COMPANIES (DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT BENEFITS OF DIRECTORS) REGULATION (CAP. 622G) AND HK LISTING RULES)

(a) Directors' and chief executive's emoluments

The remuneration of every director is set out below:

For the year ended 31st December 2018

| | | | | | | Other | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|----------|
| | | | | | | emoluments | |
| | | | | | | paid or | |
| | | | | | | receivable | |
| | | | | | | in respect | |
| | | | | | | of director's | |
| | | | | | | other services | |
| | | | | | | in connection | |
| | | | | | | with the | |
| | | | | | | management | |
| | | | | | Employer's | of the affairs | |
| | | | | Allowances | contribution | of the | |
| | | | | and benefits | to retirement | Company or | |
| | | Salary | Discretionary | in kind | benefit | its subsidiary | |
| Name of Director | Fees | (Note a) | bonuses | (Note b) | scheme | undertaking | Total |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Chairman and Group Chief | | | | | | | |
| Executive Officer | | | | | | | |
| Lee Sou Leung, Joseph | - | 1,560 | 130 | 1,892 | 78 | - | 3,660 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Executive Directors | | | | | | | |
| Chu Weiman | - | 1,440 | 430 | - | 18 | - | 1,888 |
| Chan Ching Huen, Stanley | - | 1,221 | 130 | 339 | 18 | - | 1,708 |
| Wong Man Shun, Michael | - | 1,365 | - | - | 68 | - | 1,433 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Independent Non-executive | | | | | | | |
| Directors | | | | | | | |
| Pike, Mark Terence | 150 | - | - | - | - | - | 150 |
| Lee Tai-chiu | 150 | - | - | - | - | - | 150 |
| Zavatti Samuel | 150 | - | - | - | - | - | 150 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Total | 450 | 5,586 | 690 | 2,231 | 182 | - | 9,139 |
| | | | | | | | |

- 36 BENEFITS AND INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS (DISCLOSURES REQUIRED BY SECTION 383 OF THE HONG KONG COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 622), COMPANIES (DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT BENEFITS OF DIRECTORS) REGULATION (CAP. 622G) AND HK LISTING RULES) (CONTINUED)
 - (a) Directors' and chief executive's emoluments (Continued)

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| | | | | | | Other | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|----------|
| | | | | | | emoluments | |
| | | | | | | paid or | |
| | | | | | | receivable | |
| | | | | | | in respect | |
| | | | | | | of director's | |
| | | | | | | other services | |
| | | | | | | in connection | |
| | | | | | | with the | |
| | | | | | | management | |
| | | | | | Employer's | of the affairs | |
| | | | | Allowances | contribution | of the | |
| | | | | and benefits | to retirement | Company or | |
| | | Salary | Discretionary | in kind | benefit | its subsidiary | |
| Name of Director | Fees | (Note a) | bonuses | (Note b) | scheme | undertaking | Total |
| | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 | HK\$'000 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Chairman and Group Chief | | | | | | | |
| Executive Officer | | | | | | | |
| Lee Sou Leung, Joseph | _ | 1,560 | 130 | 1,881 | 78 | _ | 3,649 |
| 0. 1 | | | | | | | |
| Executive Directors | | | | | | | |
| Chu Weiman | - | 1,440 | 120 | - | 18 | - | 1,578 |
| Chan Ching Huen, Stanley | - | 1,236 | 130 | 324 | 18 | - | 1,708 |
| Wong Man Shun, Michael | - | 1,365 | - | - | 68 | - | 1,433 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Independent Non-executive | | | | | | | |
| Directors | | | | | | | |
| Pike, Mark Terence | 150 | - | - | - | - | - | 150 |
| Lee Tai-chiu | 150 | - | - | - | - | - | 150 |
| Zavatti Samuel | 150 | - | - | - | - | - | 150 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Total | 450 | 5,601 | 380 | 2,205 | 182 | - | 8,818 |
| | | | | | | | |

36 BENEFITS AND INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS (DISCLOSURES REQUIRED BY SECTION 383 OF THE HONG KONG COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 622), COMPANIES (DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT BENEFITS OF DIRECTORS) REGULATION (CAP. 622G) AND HK LISTING RULES) (CONTINUED)

(a) Directors' and chief executive's emoluments (Continued)

Notes:

- (a) Salary paid to a director is generally an emolument paid or receivable in respect of that person's other services in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company or its subsidiary undertakings.
- (b) Includes housing allowances and sundry expenses borne by the Group and estimated value of other non-cash benefits: accommodation provided by the Group.

There was no remuneration paid or receivable in respect of accepting office as director and director's other services in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company during the year (2017: Nil). None of the directors have waived any of the emoluments during the year ended 31st December 2018 and 2017.

(b) Directors' material interests in transactions, arrangement or contracts

No significant transactions, arrangements and contracts in related to the Company's business in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year (2017: Nil).

(c) Directors' retirement benefits

None of the directors received or will receive any retirement benefits under defined benefit scheme during the year (2017: Nil).

(d) Directors' termination benefits

None of the directors received or will receive any termination benefits during the year (2017: Nil).

(e) Consideration provided to third parties for making available directors' services

During the year ended 31st December 2018, the Company did not pay consideration to any third parties for making available directors' services (2017: Nil).

(f) Information about loans, quasi-loans and other dealings in favour of directors, controlled bodies corporate by and connected entities with such directors

During the year ended 31st December 2018, there is no loans, quasi-loans and other dealing arrangements in favour of directors, or controlled bodies corporate by and connected entities with such directors (2017: Nil).

Five Year Financial Summary

The following table summarises the consolidated results, assets and liabilities of the Group for the five years ended 31st December:

| | 2018 HK\$'000 | 2017 HK\$'000 | 2016 HK\$'000 | 2015 HK\$'000 | 2014 HK\$'000 |
|--|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Results | | | | | |
| Sales | 814,836 | 614,370 | 715,113 | 674,980 | 678,215 |
| Profit before income tax Income tax expense | 25,172 (5,395) | 32,901 (4,870) | 25,513 (1,840) | 22,472 (1,014) | 23,563 (998) |
| Profit for the year | 19,777 | 28,031 | 23,673 | 21,458 | 22,565 |
| Profit attributable to equity shareholders | 19,210 | 28,031 | 23,673 | 21,458 | 22,565 |
| Non-controlling interest | 567 | _ | - | _ | _ |
| Assets | | | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment Leasehold land Prepayments | 242,684 14,175 - | 226,154 15,056 1,132 | 211,102 16,473 391 | 190,522 8,332 19,029 | 187,168 8,895 7,449 |
| Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income Available-for-sale financial assets Investments in associates Loans to an associate Current assets Investment properties | 8,089 - 155,300 18,158 438,676 55,611 | - 12,863 126,525 18,970 414,071 54,658 | 12,863 101,871 16,593 313,030 43,000 | 96,996 25,430 301,842 43,000 | 81,482 28,281 345,613 40,400 |
| Total assets | 932,693 | 869,429 | 715,323 | 685,151 | 699,288 |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Current liabilities Non-current liabilities | 446,060 41,215 | 315,053 35,365 | 288,820 38,266 | 301,294 24,578 | 326,840 23,315 |
| Total liabilities | 487,275 | 350,418 | 327,086 | 325,872 | 350,155 |
| Net assets | 445,418 | 519,011 | 388,237 | 359,279 | 349,133 |