Hong Kong's Competitiveness as an International Financial Centre

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Global Competitiveness of Hong Kong

Rank	Global Financial Centres Index 12	Financial Development Index 2011	World Competitiveness Yearbook 2012	World Bank Doing Business 2012	Economic Freedom Index 2012	Economic Freedom of the World 2010
1	London	Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Singapore	Hong Kong	Hong Kong
2	New York	United States	United States	Hong Kong	Singapore	Singapore
3	Hong Kong	United Kingdom	Switzerland	New Zealand	Australia	New Zealand
4	Singapore	Singapore	Singapore	United States	New Zealand	Switzerland
5	Zurich	Australia	Sweden	Denmark	Switzerland	Australia;
6	Seoul	Canada	Canada	Norway	Canada	Canada
7	Tokyo	Netherlands	Taiwan	United Kingdom	Chile	Bahrain
8	Chicago	Japan	Norway	South Korea	Mauritius	Mauritius
9	Geneva	Switzerland	Germany	Iceland	Ireland	Finland
10	Toronto	Norway	Qatar	Ireland	United States	Chile



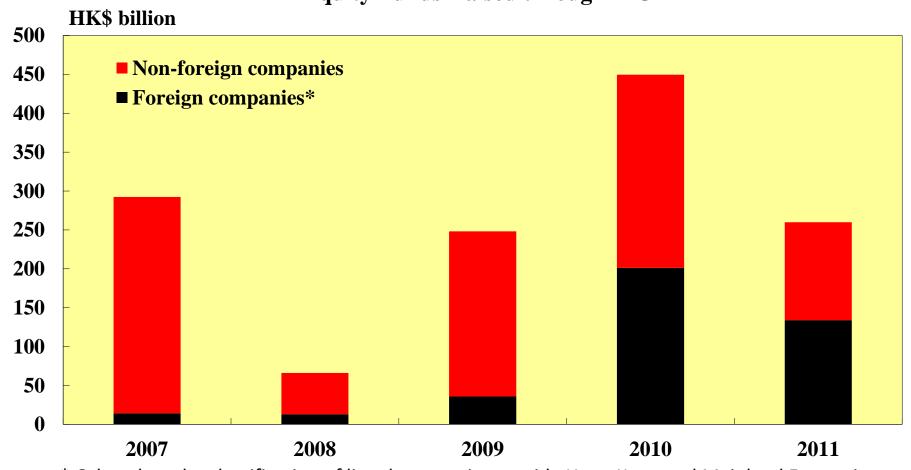
Strategic Positioning

Written into the 12th Five Year Plan:

- An international financial centre of global influence
- Offshore Renminbi centre
- An international asset management centre

IPO Centre

Equity Funds Raised through IPO



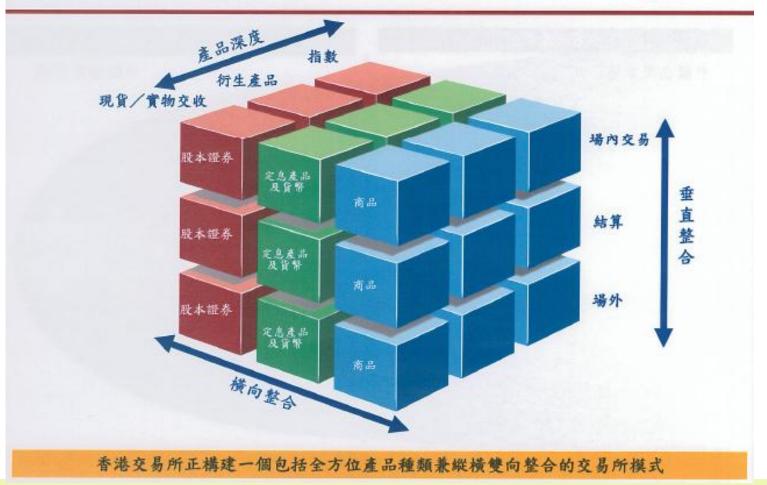
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Towards a Multi-dimensional HKEx

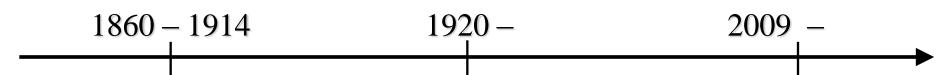
建構一個全面整合的交易所模式





Renminbi Offshore Centre





RMB Internationalisation – Role of Hong Kong

HOW to achieve internationalization of the domestic currency

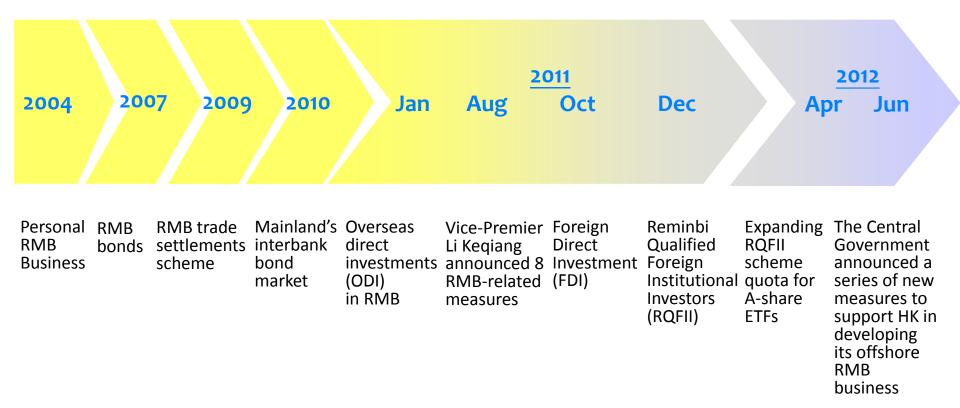
- when it is INCONVERTIBLE,
- with CAPITAL ACCOUNT CLOSED, and
- has virtually NO LIQUIDITY outside the onshore market?

Requires –

- outflow of currency
- a degree of non-resident convertibility
- an offshore centre to separate the currency risks from country risks



RMB Offshore Centre - Milestone

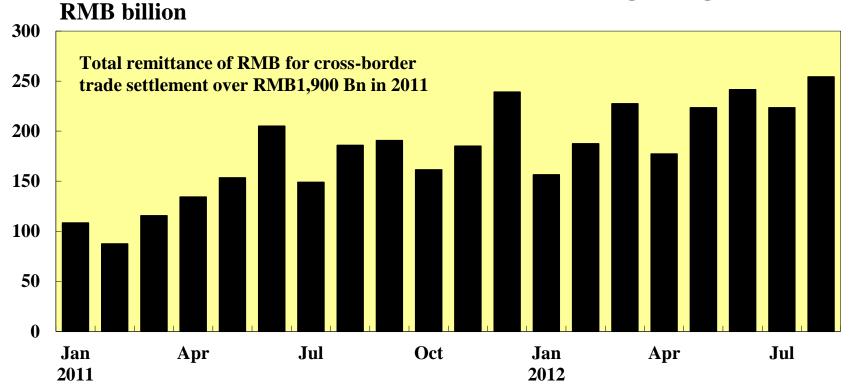




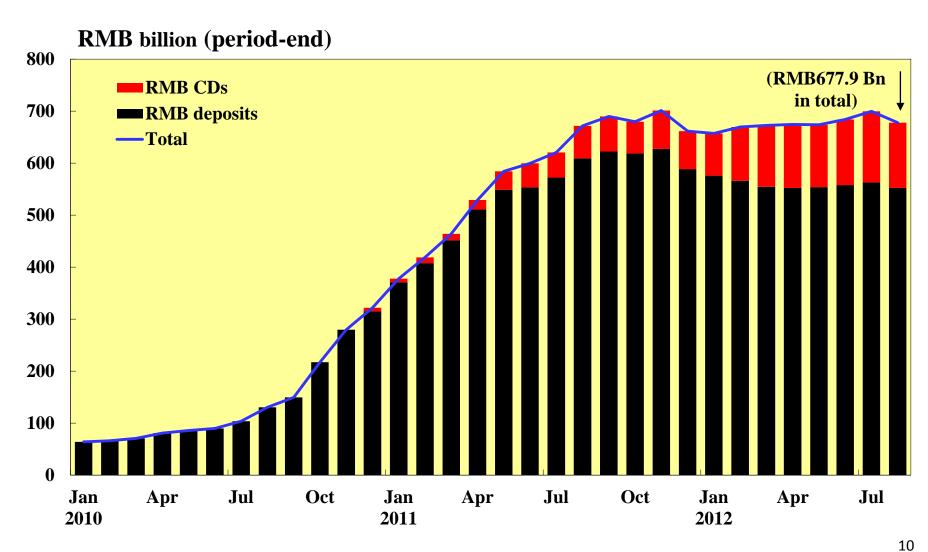
Cross Border Trade Settlement



RMB Trade Settlement in Hong Kong



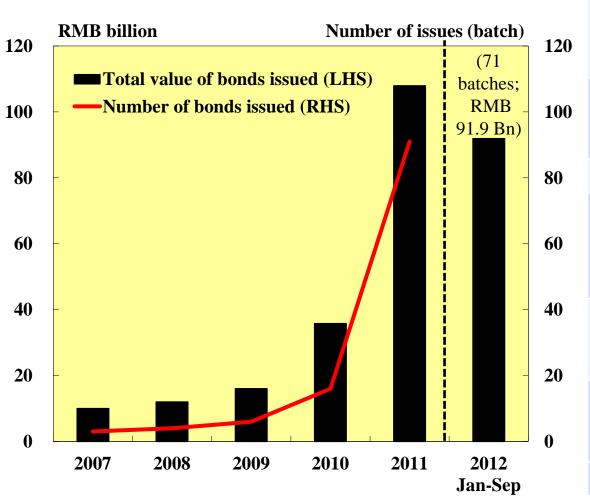
RMB Deposits





Dim Sum Bond Market





Multinational issuers					
Japan	Hitachi CapitalMitsubishi UFJMitsui & Co.				
Korea	Korea Development BankKorea EximbankHyundai Capital				
Malaysia	Khazanah's Sukuk				
Taiwan	Yieh Phui Enterprise Co LtdChailease FinanceNew Focus Auto TechSolargiga Energy				
US	CaterpillarMcDonald'sFord Motor				
Europe	BSH Bosch und SiemensUnileverVolkswagen				
Others	Emirates NBD				

Up to end September 2012: 191 issuance (RMB273.6 Bn)

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RMB Securities Products

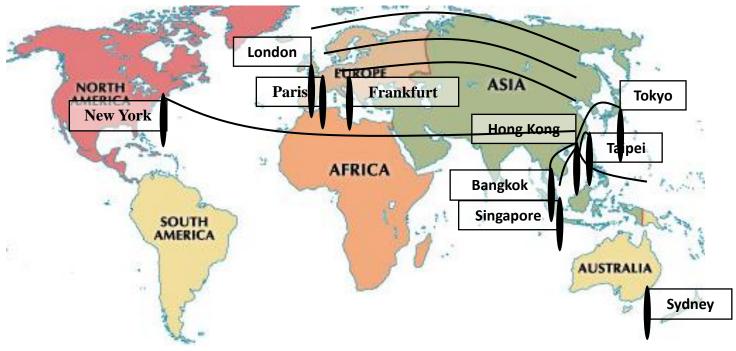




Where Are We on RMB Internationalisation?

- In just two years, 8% of Mainland's foreign trade is denominated in RMB, of which 90% handled by Hong Kong banks
- About 27% of FDI are denominated in RMB in Jan-Aug 2012
- RMB deposits account for 9% of total Hong Kong bank deposits and 17% of foreign currency deposits
- New Dim Sum Bond issuance last year surpassed HKD, SGD, MYR and THB bond issuances

A Vision for Hong Kong

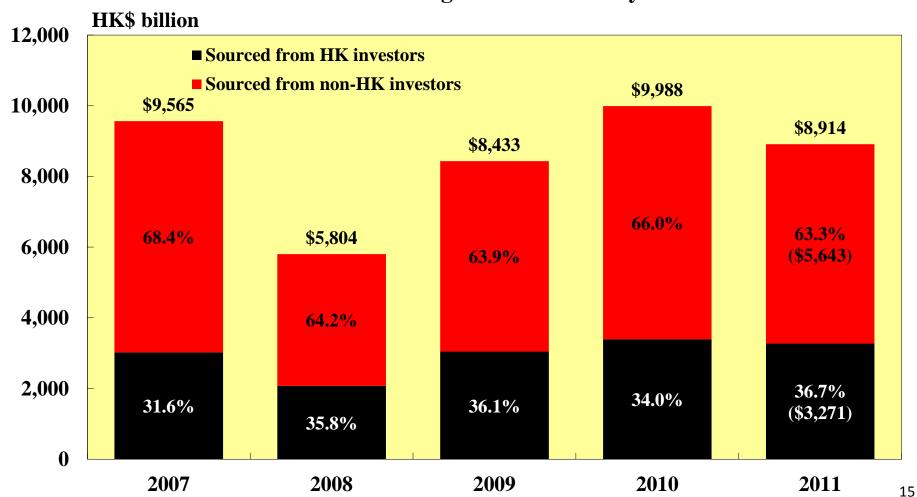


- By far, the largest offshore liquidity
- HK handles 80% of RMB trade settlement and 80% of global RMB Payments
- Primary issuance and secondary market trading of RMB products
- Global payment hub for overseas trading of RMB



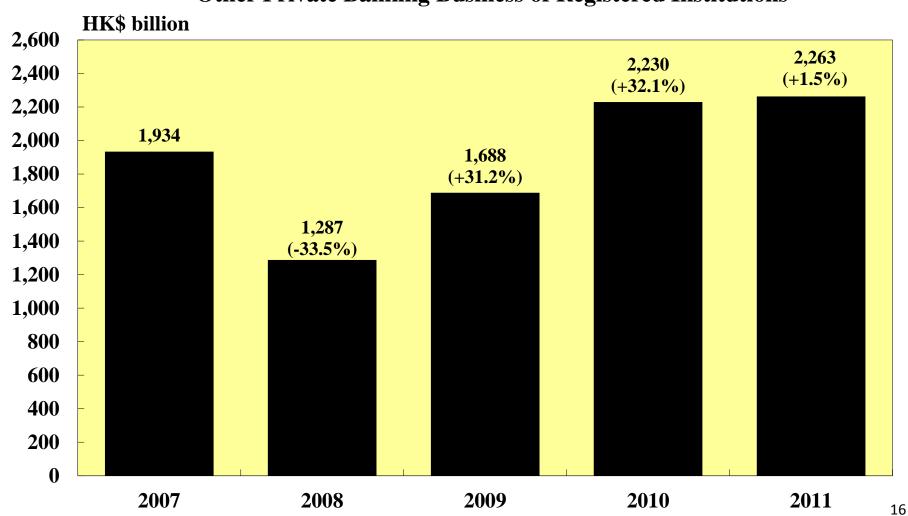
International Asset Management Centre

Non-REIT Fund Management Business by Source of Funds



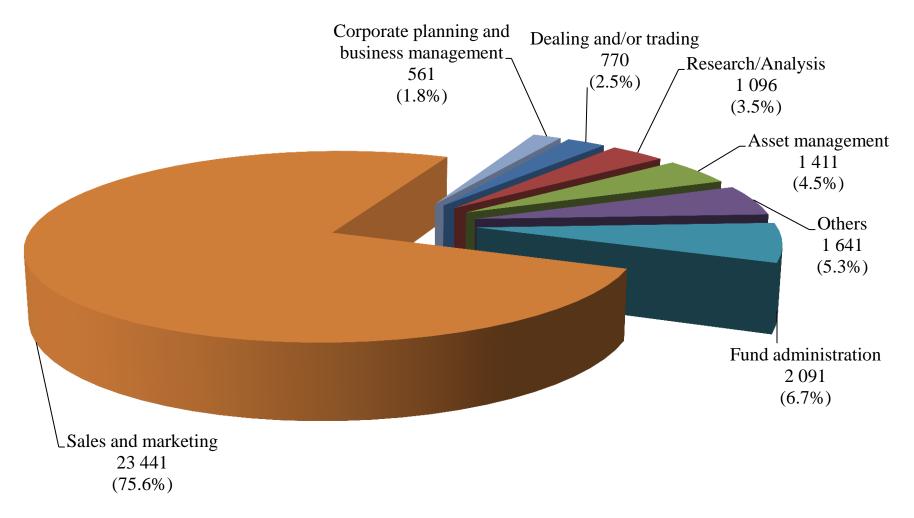
Private Banking

Other Private Banking Business of Registered Institutions

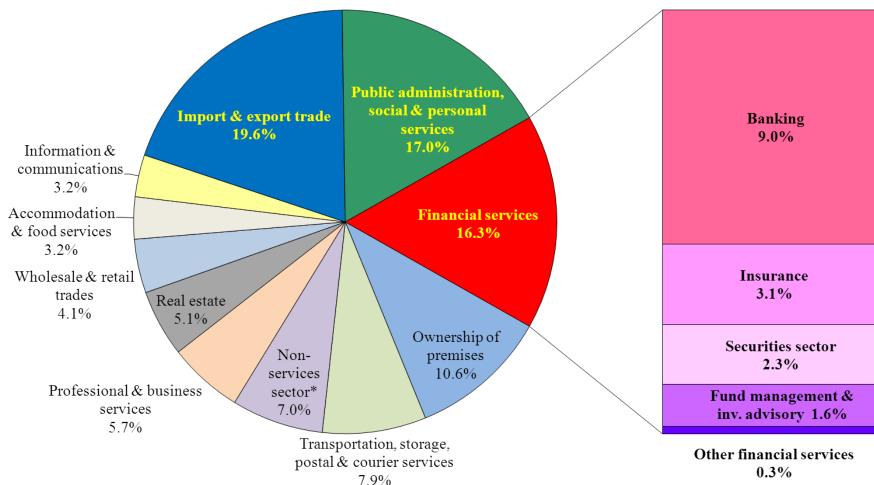




Staff Profile of Fund Management Business



Sustainability of Financial Services Industry



^{*} Including agriculture and fishing, construction, electricity, gas and water supply, manufacturing, mining and quarrying, and waste management.



Financial Services Development Council

- To champion the competitive position of Hong Kong as an international financial centre
- To advise the Government on strategies and Measures
- To provide a channel for stakeholders to express views
- To promote the sustainability of our financial services industry and HK as international financial centre