

VBW and AoV – Investor presentation

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Growth trajectory continued in 2024 despite adverse economic conditions



Association of
Volksbanks

The Association of Volksbanks (AoV) consists of nine institutions, eight regional Volksbanks and one specialised bank (Österreichische Ärzte- und Apothekerbank AG). Central organisation (CO) of the Association is Volksbank Wien (VBW)

Association Assets and capital1)

Total assets: EUR 32.1 bn Risk-weighted assets: EUR 15.5 bn 15.5% / 15.4% CET1 ratio transitional / fully loaded: The regulatory minimum requirement (CET1 capital requirement of 11.6%) is exceeded by 3.8%-pts

Volksbank Wien Assets and capital1) Total assets: EUR 16.0 bn Risk-weighted assets: CET1 ratio transitional / fully loaded:

EUR 4.8 bn 17.4% / 17.4%

AoV and VBW: ratings



Moody's ¹) (Volksbank Wien)	Long term deposit rating: Baseline credit assessment (BCA): Covered bond rating: Outlook:	A2 baa1 Aaa Stable
Fitch Ratings ²⁾ (Association, Volksbanks)	Long term issuer default rating (IDR): Viability rating: Outlook:	BBB+ bbb+ Stable
Sustainalytics ³⁾ (Volksbank Wien)	ESG risk rating score: ESG risk rating category:	14.3 Low ESG risk

^{1) 11} April 2024: Moody's upgraded VBW's senior unsecured debt rating from A3 (outlook positive) to A2 (outlook stable), at the same time the long-term deposit rating was affirmed at A2 (outlook stable) 2) 06 June 2024: rating affirmed | 3) Rating update as of 02 December 2024

Regionally diversified business in Austria¹⁾



- The Association of Volksbanks places its strategic focus on regional business in Austria and on organic growth, the business model is centred on the **Austrian market** and on the business areas of **private customers**, **SMEs and real estate**
- The Association benefits from its strong regional roots, the personal contact with customers of its over 1,800 sales employees, and from an Austria-wide branch network. Approximately **960 thousand customers are served via 231 branches.** Volksbank Wien currently has **54 branches and around 297 thousand customers**.
- The Volksbanks operate almost exclusively in Austria; the share of financing abroad is limited to a maximum of 5%. At the end of 2024, **96% of the AoV's loans and receivables from customers were in Austria.** The ca. 4% of financing abroad is in neighbouring countries, mainly Germany. The Association has no participations abroad
- VBW is the largest of the regional Volksbanks by balance sheet size and at the same time acts as central organisation of the Association of Volksbanks. Owners of Volksbank Wien are member banks of the Association and holding cooperatives
- The high degree of economic and prudential integration allows the central organisation and the regional banks to be treated as one bank for regulatory purposes



¹⁾ Preliminary results 12/2024

²⁾ Consolidation effects are excluded in the graph above leading to an overstatement of total assets shown, Association's consolidated total assets as of 12/2024 EUR 32.1 bn

AoV: key aspects of governance



- · The Association of Volksbanks and the individual members of the Association are subject to direct supervision by the ECB
- The Association is organised according to Article 10 CRR and Section 30a BWG (Austrian Banking Act). The Association Agreement, Cooperation Agreement, Trust Agreement and Agreement on the Division of Association Costs define the member banks' rights and obligations
- Originally a network of cooperative banks, the Volksbanks chose a legal structure with the **highest degree of integration possible** as described in Article 10, CRR. Therefore the Association is characterised by a **high level of cohesion**. The management and steering of the Association of Volskbanks is highly integrated
- A number of regulatory requirements (i.e. capital and liquidity requirements) have to be met on the Association level and by the central organisation only, the other members of the Association are exempt

Centralised processes, streamlined governance

- Governance strengthened through a clear distribution of tasks within the Association: the central organisation is responsible for all steering and control tasks, regulatory matters and back-office functions, while the regional Volksbanks focus on sales and customer service
- Centralisation of steering and control functions: accounting and financial reporting, regulatory reporting, controlling and planning, internal audit, legal, compliance (including tax compliance), treasury, risk controlling, organisation & IT, etc. have been centralised and are carried out by VBW for all Association member banks
- Bundling of back office and service functions in VBW's subsidiaries VB Services für Banken (customer service centre and market service centre, loan processing, payment transactions, etc.) and VB Infrastruktur und Immobilien (facility management, banking logistics)
- Standardisation of organisational structure: a standardised organisational chart has been successfully implemented in all Volksbanks, the organisational structures of all Association member banks are now identical
- A uniform data architecture has been implemented in all Volksbanks
- · Business is focused on all regions of Austria (no participations abroad)

Joint liability & liquidity scheme

Right to issue directives

Volksbank Wien and the regional Volksbanks have established a **joint liability & liquidity scheme**. They are mutually obliged to jointly support a member institution should difficulties arise. Liabilities and contributions are unlimited. The Volksbanks have to hold their liquidity at the central organisation which is responsible for the Association's compliance with regulatory liquidity requirements

The central organisation is authorised to issue **general or individual directives** to the Volksbanks. General directives are aimed at all Volksbanks while individual directives are issued to specific banks



Preliminary results 2024 at a glance (1/3)



	Full commitment to organic growth
	Focus on regional business in Austria
Strategic	Full commitment to and focus on our business model based on providing retail-, SME-, and real estate loans
continuity	 Focus on fee and commission income through providing banking products from strategic business partners (Union Investment, TeamBank, ERGO), therefore, no consumer lending risks, foreign risks, or investment risks for the Association
	Full commitment to and focus on strengthening the CET1 capital base through retained earnings for future growth
	Further digitalisation of front-office and back-office processes and continued focus on operational efficiency
Economic	 The Austrian economy was in recession for the second year in a row, economic forecasts were revised downwards due to continued weaknes in industry and exports as well as a continued reluctance in consumer spending. The downturn of the Austrian economy led to increasing insolvency numbers
downturn reflected in loan portfolio	 At the same time, the situation on the real estate market remained challenging due to weak demand which was dampened by the prudential regulation (KIM-VO)¹⁾, higher interest rates and increased, inflation-driven construction costs. Although demand in the residential property market slightly increased in recent months, the commercial property sector remains difficult
Political	 The recession in Austria, and in particular the disruption on the real estate market, affected the loan portfolio and led to an increase of the NPL ratio from 2.5% at the end of 2023 to 5.0% as of 31 December 2024
	 Accordingly, risk provisions were raised considerably in 2024 to EUR 221 mn (12/2023: 65 mn)
Capital ratios increased	Despite this, the Association of Volksbanks' capital ratios increased, as of 31 December 2024 the Association showed a CET1 ratio of 15.5% (12/2023: 15.3%) and an equity ratio of 23.0% (12/2023: 18.9%)

Preliminary results 2024 at a glance (2/3)



Growth of customer base

■ Saving deposits

- A strong retail customer base is a strategic advantage and base for further growth, which is one of the main targets of the Association. This
 target was reached in 2024, the Association's deposits as well as loans grew stronger than the Austrian market
- In 2024, amounts owed to customers plus retail bonds issued to the Association's customers increased by 6.2% to EUR 24.0 bn (12/2023: EUR 22.6 bn), representing a further increase of the Association's market share
- Loans and receivables from customers also developed positively and stood at EUR 23.2 bn as of 12/2024, representing a y-o-y growth of EUR 423 mn (+1.9%). The slightly lower increase of loans and receivables from customers compared to deposit growth is attributable to lower demand in the private customer business. In the SME segment, demand developed well, with the ESG transformation as a driving factor; customer loans in the Real Estate segment also increased in 2024 despite economic challenges
- The LDR including retail bonds issued was 98.9% as of 31 December 2024¹⁾

Development savings deposits, other deposits & retail bonds issued Volksbank Wien (EUR bn) Association of Volksbanks (EUR bn)





- The distinct shift from untied giro deposits and saving deposits to products carrying higher interest rates (primarily term deposits and online savings) recorded in 2023 has continued in 2024
- Primary funds increased significantly at the primary banks²⁾ in 2024 (+EUR 1,256 mn), primary bank's net sale of own retail bonds was EUR 316 mn
- The interest rate of primary funds stood at 1.28% at the end of 2024, and the deposit beta³⁾ was 47% as of 31 December 2024

■ Saving deposits

¹⁾ LDR including retail bonds based on gross loans and receivables from customers | 2) Primary banks: regional Volksbanks (incl. VBW Retail, excl. VBW CO) and Arzte- und Apothekerbank

³⁾ Average interest rate in relation to 3-months Euribor

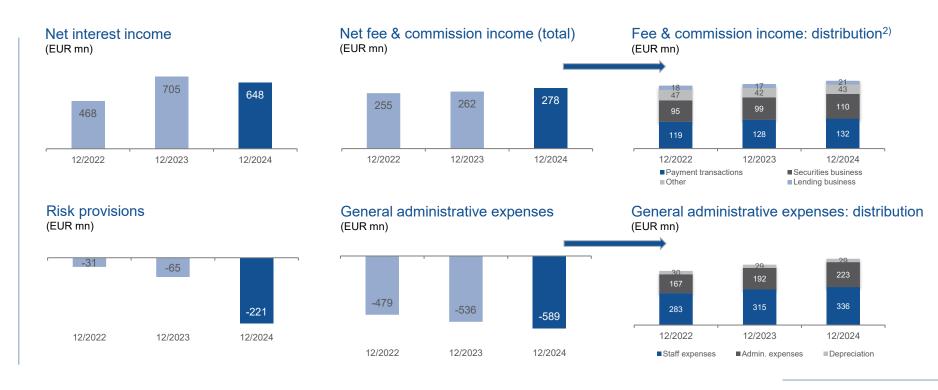
Preliminary results 2024 at a glance (3/3)



Operating result reflects solid interest income and rising provision income	 Interest income remained at a high level in 2024, despite the rapid fall of the key interest rate. At EUR 648 mn as of 31 December 2024, the previous year's net interest income of EUR 705 million could not be maintained, due to the slight drop of the interest margin to 2.0% after 2.3% in the 2023. The issuance of T2 bonds to replace AT1 capital called in April also impacted the interest result (AT1 coupon was paid as dividend while T2 coupons are included in interest expenses), the impact was ca. EUR 15 mn After continuous growth in previous years, net fee and commission income further increased in 2024 by 6.1% to EUR 278 mn (12/2023: EUR 262 mn). In particular, income from the securities business grew significantly in 2024 With EUR 337 mn the Association reached a good operating result in 2024. Due to lower interest income and higher general expenses, however, it was below last year's excellent result of EUR 427 mn, nonetheless the operating result amounted again to more than 1% of total assets
Costs driven by inflation and IT expenses	 General administrative expenses went up to EUR 589 mn in 2024 (12/2023: EUR 536 mn), driven by – in addition to inflation-related increases – clearly rising investments in digitalisation and process optimisation (operating expenses +EUR 32 mn), and by increased collective labour agreements and a slightly higher number of employees as basis for the intensification of sales efforts (personnel expenses +EUR 21 mn) These effects are reflected in the Association's CIR, which increased to 62.8% in the period under review, after 55.5% in 2023
Solid result after taxes, impacted by risk provisions	 Due to the economic conditions in Austria, last year's record result after taxes (12/2023: EUR 326 mn) could not be maintained. With a profit after taxes of EUR 121 mn, however, the Association's reached a solid result in 2024 Main driver of the y-o-y decrease were higher risk provisions resulting from weak macroeconomic growth and the difficult situation of the real estate market
Overview capital market activities 2024	 Volksbank Wien successfully placed two benchmark T2 bonds in 2024 03/2024: EUR 500 mn T2, term of 10.25 years with a call right after 5.25 years, re-offer spread of +310 bps, final order book of EUR 2.1 bn 09/2024: EUR 500 mn T2, term of 11.25 years with a call right after 6.25 years, re-offer spread of +305 bps, final order book of EUR 1.9 bn The placement of the T2 bonds enabled VBW to strengthen its capital base and to optimise its capital structure. Following the T2 issues, VBW exercised its call right in the EUR 220 mn AT1 issue and tendered its EUR 400 mn T2 bonds issued in 2017 (no longer fully eligible as T2 capital)

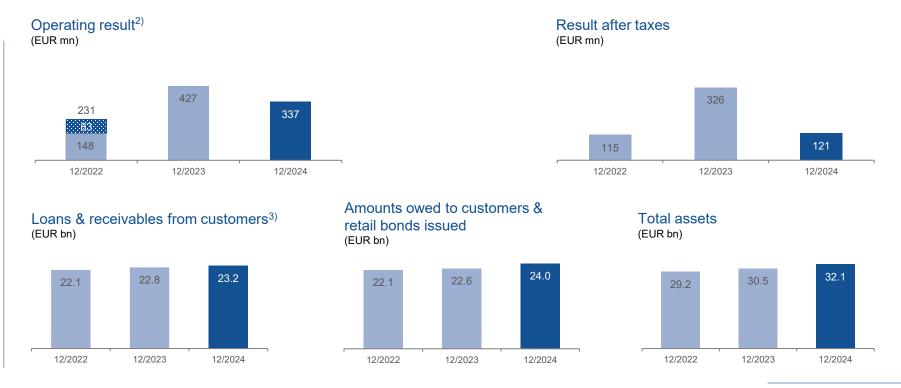
AoV: KPIs $12/2022 - 12/2024 (1/2)^{1}$





AoV: KPIs $12/2022 - 12/2024 (2/2)^{1}$

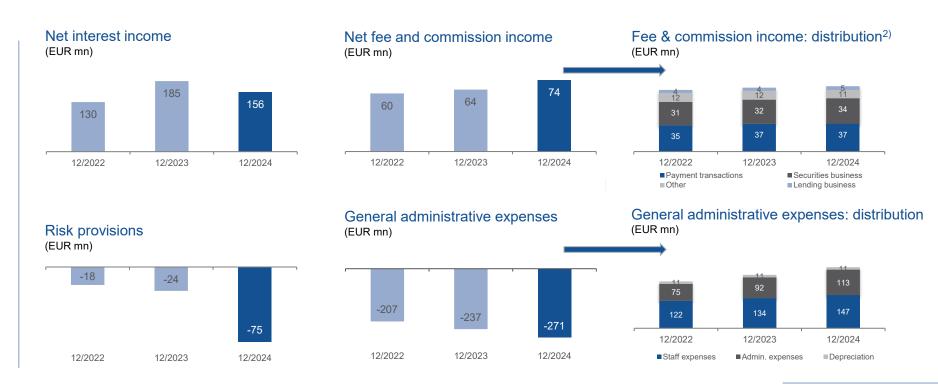




¹⁾ Preliminary results 12/2024 | 2) Operating result as of 12/2022 adjusted for payment on government participation right in H2 2022 in an amount of EUR 83 mn | 3) Breakdown fixed/floating rate loans (including swaps): as of 12/2024: 47% fixed rate loans, 53% floating rate loans; as of 12/2023: 40% fixed rate loans, 60% floating rate loans

VBW: KPIs 12/2022 – 12/2024 (1/2)¹⁾





VBW: KPIs 12/2022 – 12/2024 (2/2)¹⁾



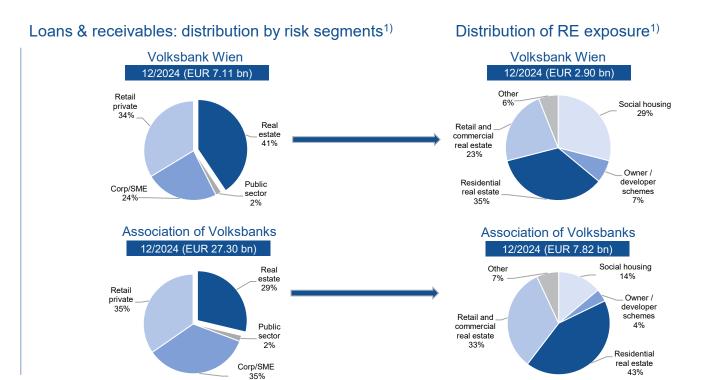


¹⁾ Preliminary results 12/2024 | 2) Operating result as of 12/2022 adjusted for payment on government participation right in H2 2022 in an amount of EUR 19 mn | 3) Breakdown fixed/floating rate loans (including swaps): as of 12/2024 49% fixed rate loans, 51% floating rate loans; as of 12/2023 40% fixed rate loans, 60% floating rate loans



Stable customer business in Austria





Regional focus on Austria

The vast majority of loans and receivables is located in Austria, as of 12/2024:

- Association: 96.1% of total loans and receivables
- Volksbank Wien: 98.4% of total loans and receivables

High level of collateralisation

Segment Real Estate

Collateralisation ratios as of 12/2024:

Association: 87.0%Volksbank Wien: 88.5%

Subsegment Residential RE

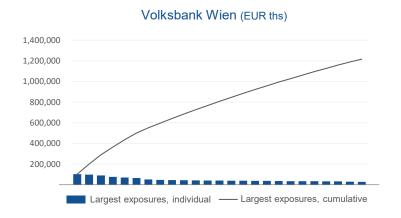
Collateralisation ratios as of 12/2024:

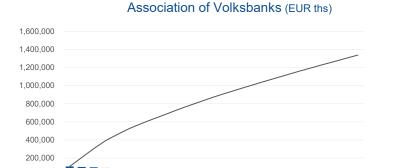
Association: 93.3%
Volksbank Wien: 95.6%

Granular loan portfolios without cluster risk



25 largest customer exposures¹⁾





---- Largest exposures, cumulative

Largest exposures, individual

Both Volksbank Wien and the Association have granular credit portfolios with no significant large single credit positions, reflecting the focus on small-volume retail and SME business:

- > As of 12/2024 the top 25 exposures represent 4.9% of the Association's and 17.1% of Volksbank Wien's total loans and receivables from customers
- > The largest single customer exposure accounts for 0.4% of the Association's and for 1.4% of Volksbank Wien's customer loans
- ▶ The top exposure nr. 25 amounts to only EUR 36 mn at the Association and to EUR 27 mn at Volksbank Wien

Effects of economic environment on loan portfolio (1/2)



The following general market developments can be seen in the three main customer risk segments of the Association of Volksbanks:

Retail Private:

- The private customers loan portfolio is stable, default rates are low
- Due to KIM-VO¹⁾ and the level of interest rates, new loans stagnated in 2024; the housing package²⁾ so far shows little effect
- First signs of an incipient recovery are noticeable, i.e. demand for financing slightly increased in some regions

Corporate/SME:

- The economic downturn continued in H2 2024, the industrial and construction sectors in particular were affected
- In 2024, the number of insolvencies grew by 23% compared to the previous year, the service sector, construction and retail in particular showed rising insolvency numbers

Real Estate:

- Buyer's market prevails although having slowed down, the negative development of prices has continued, in particular in Vienna, where new, completed projects still outstrip demand and the market is dominated by institutional investors
- Increased construction costs still burden the market (completion forecasts for new buildings have been further revised downwards) and realisation periods (completion and sale of projects) have extended

¹⁾ KIM-VO: Kreditinstitute-Immobilienfinanzierungsmaßnahmen-Verordnung, KIM regulation sets tighter standards for private mortgage loans in terms of minimum equity and minimum DSCR required

²⁾ The housing package adopted by the government is an economic stimulus package to promote the housing sector

Effects of economic environment on loan portfolio (2/2)



- Specific loan portfolios of the Association of Volksbanks are affected to different degrees by the current economic environment
- KRIs in the Retail Private and Corporate/SME risk segments remain at satisfactory levels (Retail Private segment low KRIs and very stable; in the Corporate/SME segment NPLs increased, with pronounced differences in the development of individual sectors)
- Within the **Corporate/SME** risk segment, exposures in the construction industry and in tourism are under particular observation, as in these sectors insolvency figures are rising throughout Austria, which is reflected in an increase of NPL ratios in the respective AoV portfolios
- Real Estate (i.e. commercial real estate financing) is the risk segment showing the most significant impact on asset quality
- The distortions on the domestic real estate market triggered by high inflation, rising construction costs, high interest rates and a generally weak economic environment led to above-average total risk costs and an increase in non-performing loans
- As of 31 December 2024, the Association's total risk costs including PMAs were EUR 221 mn (Volksbank Wien: EUR 75 mn), and in 2024 the Association's NPL volume increased from EUR 680 mn to EUR 1,362 mn (Volksbank Wien: from EUR 210 mn to EUR 455 mn)
- Within the RE risk segment, the sub-portfolios of category B (residential real estate; total exposure of EUR 3.3 bn), category C (retail and commercial real estate; EUR 2.6 bn) and category "other" (holding companies and loans not directly attributable; EUR 0.5 bn) are affected
- Within these categories, real estate developers are most affected by the above-mentioned distortions (i.e. purchase of land or properties, their development or renovation and subsequent profitable sale; regulatory so-called speculative immovable property financing; exposure of EUR 1.4 bn; largest share of category B residential real estate)
- There are no NPLs in category A (social housing and owner/developer schemes; exposure of EUR 1.3 bn)

Real estate exposure drives increase of NPL ratios



Development of NPL ratios¹⁾





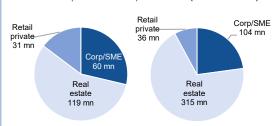
- The increase of the Association's NPL ratio to 4.99% (Volksbank Wien: 6.39%) results from an additional NPL volume of EUR 682 mn (Volksbank Wien: EUR 245 mn) in 2024
- EUR 482 mn or 71% (Volksbank Wien: EUR 196 mn or 80%) of this additional NPL volume is attributable to the Real Estate segment, and EUR 191 mn or 28% (Volksbank Wien: EUR 44 mn or 18%) to the Corporate/SME segment, the small remaining amount comes from the Retail Private segment
- At the Association of Volksbanks ca. 2/3 of the EUR 482 mn NPL increase in the Real Estate segment is attributable to category B residential real estate, these loans are collateralised to a very high degree
- As of 31 December 2024 the collateralisation ratio in the real estate segment was 87.0% on the Association level (Volksbank Wien: 88.5%), in the subsegment residential real estate (category B) the Association's collateralisation ratio was 93.3% (Volksbank Wien: 95.6%)
- Within in the Corporate/SME segment, 47.5% of the EUR 191 mn increase in NPL volume is attributable to the tourism sector (limited number of larger defaults in the western part of Austria)
- There is no US CRE exposure

Distribution of non-performing loans

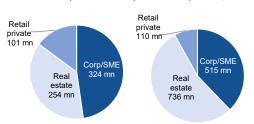


Total non-performing loans¹⁾

Volksbank Wien 12/2023 (EUR 210 mn) / 12/2024 (EUR 455 mn)



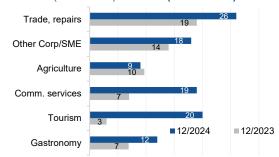
Association 12/2023 (EUR 680 mn) / **12/2024 (EUR 1,362 mn)**



NPLs Corp/SME¹⁾

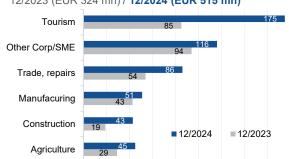
Volksbank Wien

12/2023 (EUR 60 mn) / 12/2024 (EUR 104 mn)



Association

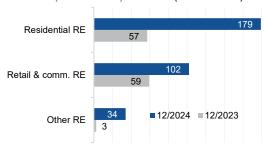
12/2023 (EUR 324 mn) / 12/2024 (EUR 515 mn)



NPLs real estate¹⁾

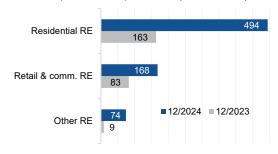
Volksbank Wien

12/2023 (EUR 119 mn) / 12/2024 (EUR 315 mn)



Association

12/2023 (EUR 254 mn) / 12/2024 (EUR 736 mn)

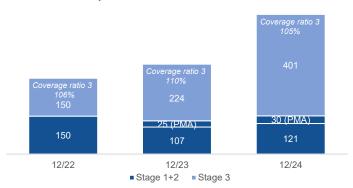


1) Preliminary results 12/2024, loans and receivables based on risk view (total loans extended)

AoV: development of risk provisions¹⁾



Stock of risk provisions (EUR mn)



Risk provisions p&I (EUR mn)

Association	12/2022	12/2023	12/2024
Stage 1+2	-39	6	-54
Stage 3	17	-70	-154
Other ²⁾	-9	-1	-12
Total	-31	-65	-221
Total (bp)	-12	-24	-81

Stock of risk provisions

- Adequate stage 3 risk provisions in an amount of EUR 401 mn result in a NPL coverage in form of the coverage ratio 3 (risk provisions plus loan collateral after haircuts) of 105%, which is clearly above the internal strategic minimum level of >101%
- As of 12/2024, the total amount of post-model adjustments (PMA) stood at EUR 30 mn, accounting for effects of future model adjustments, risks for energy-intensive industries, and macroeconomic risks for customers in the construction and real estate sectors

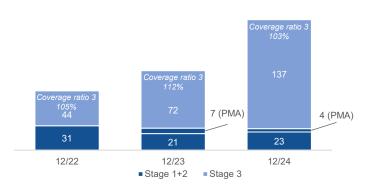
Risk provisions p&I

- The Association's total risk costs stood at EUR -221 mn as of 12/2024
- The stage 3 result is mainly attributable to large-volume loan defaults in the real estate portfolio
- Within the performing portfolio (stages 1+2), risk provisions of EUR 24 mn were recognised due to staging effects and rating downgrades, in addition, PMAs in an amount of EUR 30 mn were booked
- Other risk provisions totalling EUR -12 mn result from direct write-offs and modification effects

VBW: development of risk provisions¹⁾



Stock of risk provisions (EUR mn)



Risk provisions p&I (EUR mn)

Volksbank Wien	12/2022	12/2023	12/2024
Stage 1+2	-10	0	-9
Stage 3	-1	-28	-58
Other ²⁾	1	0	-9
Total	-10	-29	-77
Total (bp)	-14	-42	-108

Stock of risk provisions

- At 103% as of 12/2024, Volksbank Wien's coverage ratio 3 clearly exceeds the internal strategic minimum level of >101%
- As on the Association level, at Volksbank Wien post model adjustments in an amount of EUR 4 mn were formed at year-end 2024 for various risks not yet shown in models or in the data

Risk provisions p&I

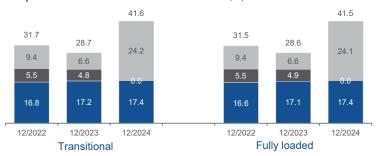
- As of 31 December 2024, Volksbank Wien's total risk costs stood at EUR -77 mn
- As at the Association, the result is mainly attributable to large volume defaults in the real estate portfolio and to PMAs



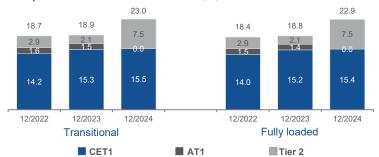
Capital ratios clearly above requirements



Capital ratios Volksbank Wien¹⁾ (%)



Capital ratios Association¹⁾ (%)



- Volksbank Wien as central organisation of the Association has to fulfil the SREP capital requirements on a consolidated basis together with the associated institutes (Association of Volksbanks)
- SREP ratios as of 12/2024: pillar 1 requirement 8.0% (CET1: 4.5%, T1: 6.0%) pillar 2 requirement (P2R) 2.25% (CET1: 1.27%, T1: 1.69%), capital conservation buffer 2.5%, systemic risk buffer 0.5%, other systemically important institutions buffer 0.9%, countercyclical capital buffer 0.05%, pillar 2 guidance (P2G) 1.25%
- In 2024 the pillar 2 requirement (P2R) decreased from 2.5% to 2.25%, while the other systemically important institutions buffer increased by 0.15%-pts to 0.9%
- In 2025, the O-SII buffer will be reduced from 0.9% to 0.45%, while implementation of an additional sectoral systemic risk buffer for commercial real estate is expected
- The effective CET1 requirement (excl. P2G) is 11.6% and corresponds to the T1 capital
 requirement since all T1 requirements are covered with CET1 capital. As of 12/2024 there is
 no T2 shortfall. The overall capital requirement is 14.2% (excl. P2G)
- At 15.4%, the fully loaded CET1 ratio as of 31 December 2024 is well above the CET1 capital requirement of 11.6% (including P2G: 12.9%)
- The MREL requirement as of 01 January 2025 is 24.0% (including a 3.5% combined buffer requirement, the subordination requirement is 0) and it is applicable at the Association level. As of 30 September 2024, the MREL ratio stood at 31.1%
- Risk-weighted assets as of 12/2024
 - Association RWAs: **EUR 15.5 bn** (ca. 90% credit risk)
 - Volksbank Wien RWAs: EUR 4.8 bn (ca.85% credit risk)
- Due to the implementation of Basle IV the AoV's RWAs increased by ca. EUR 1.1 bn (based on credit risk) as of 01 January 2025

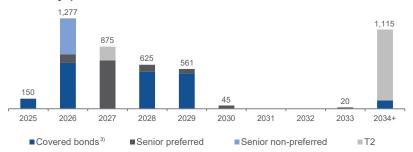
Funding structure and maturity profile¹⁾



Breakdown of VBW and AoV funding as of 12/2024



Maturity profile of AoV issues as of 12/2024 (EUR mn)



- The funding mix of the Association is dominated by an approx. 86% share of customer deposits; wholesale funding needs are limited
- Volume of customer deposits as of 12/2024
 - Association: savings deposits EUR 3.4 bn, other deposits (incl. term deposits)
 EUR 19.9 bn, retail bonds issued EUR 0.73 bn
 - VBW: savings deposits EUR 0.8 bn, other deposits (incl. term deposits) EUR 5.9 bn, retail bonds issued EUR 0.65 bn
- Volume of deposits insured by deposit scheme as of 12/2024
 - Association: EUR 15.1 bn (average balance per customer EUR 14.9 thsd)
 - VBW: EUR 4.3 bn (average balance per customer EUR 14 thsd)
- Member institutions are obliged to place excess funding at the CO
- The Association participated in two tranches in ECB's TLTRO III program with a total amount of EUR 3.5 bn, these funds were deposited with the ECB. The last tranche of EUR 0.6 bn was repayed on 26 June 2024
- Leverage ratios as of 12/2024: 7.3% (Association) and 5.7% (VBW)
- From a MREL perspective, issuance of a senior unsecured benchmark bond is to be expected for 2025
- The Association of Volksbanks has a covered bond program backed by mortgages of the regional Volksbanks at its disposal
- Long-term liquidity can therefore be generated through the issuance of covered bonds rated Aaa by Moody's

¹⁾ Preliminary results 12/2024 | 2) Other deposits: term deposits, giro deposits

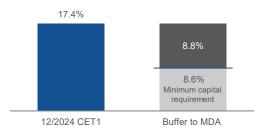
³⁾ Apart from the CBs placed externally shown above, covered bonds in an amount of approx. EUR 1.2 bn were placed as collateral at ECB

AoV and VBW: maximum distributable amount

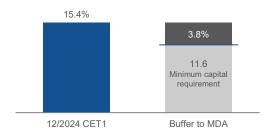


Maximum distributable amount (fully loaded)¹⁾

Volksbank Wien



Association of Volksbanks



- The Association's effective CET1 requirement (excl. P2G) is 11.6% and corresponds to the T1 capital requirement, since all T1 requirements are covered with CET1 capital. As of 12/2024 there is no T2 shortfall
- No T2 shortfall on the level of Volksbank Wien
- · Pillar 2 requirement, systemic risk buffer and other systemically important institution buffer requirements are only applicable on the consolidated Association level



Association of Volksbanks: structure



Deposit guarantee: ESA (Einlagensicherung Austria)
Deposit protection scheme according to § 1,
Deposit Guarantee and Investor Compensation Act

Association of Volksbanks (AoV)

PRIMARY BANKS

- 8 Regional Volksbanks
- 1 Specialised bank (Österreichische Ärzte- und Apothekerbank AG)
- 9 Primary banks

VOLKSBANK WIEN AG (VBW)

Is one of the regional Volksbanks and at the same time central organisation of the Association

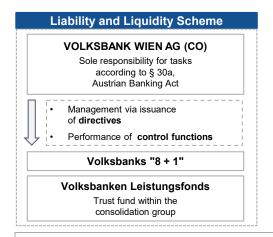
VBVM (Volksbank Vertriebs- und Marketing eG)

VBVM is responsible primarily for the promotion of cooperation in sales activities and for the harmonisation of processes

Auditing and early warning system: ÖGV Österreichischer Genossenschaftsverband) Primary banks are members of ÖGV

Association of Volksbanks: governance





- The CO Volksbank Wien and the regional Volksbanks have established a joint liability scheme:
 - They are mutually obliged to jointly support a member institution should difficulties arise
 - Liabilities and contributions are unlimited¹⁾
- The Association contract forms the basis of the liability scheme:
 - The CO performs significant control functions, is responsible for compliance with regulatory requirements and has the right to issue directives
 - The CO's management can impose remedial actions on troubled primary banks if early-warning indicators (macroeconomic, market-based or breaches of capital, liquidity, profitability or asset-quality ratios) deteriorate (without consent of the bank concerned or preliminary consultation with the Association's members)
- These remedial actions may take the form of equity injections, purchase of assets, short- and medium-term liquidity support, guarantees and other liabilities, subordinated loans, payment of third-party claims, lost grants and management support
- For covering CET1 shortfalls the central organisation has access to the trust fund (Leistungsfonds)
- The Association's members together form a **liquidity scheme**. The **CO** is obligated to control liquidity in the **Association** to ensure compliance with all material supervisory regulations at all times. The Association's member institutions are obligated to invest their liquidity at the CO
- Volksbanken Leistungsfonds (VL) is a trust fund established to enable the CO to take immediate remedial action to support the CET1 basis of any AoV member to prevent a threatening deterioration of its financial position
- With EUR 100 mn the fund has reached its target size in 2021
- If the CO estimates that VL is insufficient to cover support needs as these arise, it can call unilaterally for additional unlimited contributions from the other VBs1)
- Assets of VL are included in the Association's core capital

The AoV serves to ensure both the regulated transfer of liquidity between its members and mutual liability, thereby providing an indirect guarantee for the creditors of all members of the Association

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