



## China

## ADD (no change)

Consensus ratings*:	Buy 3	Hold 4	Sell 1
Current price:		ι	JS\$1.55
Target price:		ι	JS\$3.80
Previous target:		Į	JS\$4.40
Up/downside:			145.2%
CGS-CIMB / Consens	sus:		130.3%
Reuters:			OCFT.A
Bloomberg:		0	CFT US
Market cap:		US	604.5m
		US	604.5m
Average daily turnove	r:	US	\$\$4.26m
		US	\$\$4.26m
Current shares o/s:			7,800m
Free float: *Source: Bloomberg			60.6%

#### Key changes in this note

- > FY22F EPS raised by 2%.
- > FY23F EPS cut by 8%.
- ➤ FY24F EPS cut by 526%.



		Source:	Bloomberg
Price performance	1M	ЗМ	12M
Absolute (%)	-24	-39.9	-91.6
Relative (%)	-24.4	-33	-105.5

Major shareholders	% held
Ping An Group	34.3
SBI StellarS and its affiliated entities	5.1

# **OneConnect Financial Tech**

## Third party revenue challenges

- While FY21 net loss narrowed 5% yoy, third party revenue mix remains at its post 2018 IPO lows, with 4Q21 revenue mix a record low at 32.3%.
- OneConnect announced that it is looking to list in HK via a dual primary listing. It is also buying back up to 2% of its ordinary shares.
- Retain Add. We cut TP to US\$3.80 on broadly lower FY22F-24F EPS.

#### FY21 net loss narrows yoy

OneConnect reported FY21 net profit of Rmb1.3bn, down 5% yoy, and 4% better than our forecast. FY21 revenue growth yoy was 25%, in-line with its guidance given at 1H21 results briefing. FY21 revenue growth yoy was driven by cloud (+234%), risk management (+47%) and other (+257%) (Fig 1). 4Q21 revenue growth yoy was 19% yoy (3Q21: 21%), driven by cloud (+60%), risk management (92%) and other (+230%). 4Q21 revenue from third parties remains at a record low of 32.3% of total revenue (previous low was 32.4% in 2Q21), and well below FY24F target of over 50%.

## Looking to list in HK via a dual primary listing

OneConnect announced during its analyst briefing that it is looking to list in Hong Kong (HK) by way of a dual primary listing. It emphasised that no new shares would be issued (in part due to its belief that the share price is very low) and is currently in talks with Hong Kong Exchange on its listing plans.

## Announced a share buyback of up to 2% of shares outstanding

OneConnect also announced that it may repurchase up to 2% of its outstanding shares, commencing from its results date up until 30 Sep 2022. This stems from its belief that the shares are currently undervalued given the company's confidence in its own fundamentals, business outlook and its long-term strategies.

## Reiterated its medium-term targets

OneConnect reiterated it remains on track to meet its medium-term targets by the end of 2024 (Fig 2). These include becoming the top three among its China peers in terms of revenue, third-party revenue comprising most of its revenue, premium customers exceeding 1,000 (FY21: 796), premium plus customers exceeding 500 (FY21: 212), premium customer net expansion rate (NER) of 100-120% (FY21: 96%). Its FY22F target is to grow third party revenue and achieve stable recurring revenue.

#### Reiterate Add rating; DCF-based TP cut from US\$4.40 to US\$3.80

Our TP (WACC: 14.2%) is cut from US\$4.4 to US\$3.8, given broadly lower FY22F–24F EPS, driven by lower revenue forecasts and an assumed break-even in early FY25F (previously late FY24F). Potential re-rating catalysts: regulatory approval to sell financial cloud services to banks & stronger third-party revenues. Key downside risks: unexpected additional adverse regulations, and Ping An Group reducing its technology spending.

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Financial Summary	Dec-20A	Dec-21A	Dec-22F	Dec-23F	Dec-24F
Revenue (Rmbm)	3,312	4,132	4,977	5,959	7,095
Net Profit (Rmbm)	(1,354)	(1,282)	(908)	(515)	(23)
Core EPS (Rmb)	(3.81)	(3.47)	(2.48)	(1.41)	(0.06)
Core EPS Growth	(28.1%)	(9.0%)	(28.5%)	(43.3%)	(95.5%)
FD Core P/E (x)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Price To Sales (x)	1.05	0.87	0.72	0.60	0.50
DPS (Rmb)	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend Yield	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
EV/EBITDA (x)	NA	NA	NA	NA	4.14
P/FCFE (x)	1.21	2.63	1.28	1.40	1.52
Net Gearing	(57.8%)	(42.9%)	(38.3%)	(40.0%)	(38.5%)
P/BV (x)	0.73	1.01	1.12	1.11	1.11
ROE	(28.3%)	(28.5%)	(25.2%)	(15.0%)	(0.7%)
% Change In Core EPS Estimates			2%	(8%)	(526%)
CGS-CIMB/Consensus EPS (x)			1.13	1.37	(6.27)

SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RESEARCH, COMPANY REPORTS



# Third party revenue challenges

(Rmb m)	Actual Co	GS-CIMB Research Estimate	Actual	% variance versus CGS-CIMB estimates	FY21F yoy
Revenue by customer:	FY21	FY21F	FY20		
Revenue from Ping An Group	2,317	2,451	1,727	-5%	34%
Revenue from Lufax	428	309	343	39%	25%
Revenue from third-party customers	1,388	1,379	1,242	1%	12%
Total	4,132	4,139	3,312	0%	25%
Revenue by business type:					
Implementation	734	785	852	-7%	-14%
Transaction-based and Support Services					
Business origination services	451	499	606	-10%	-26%
Risk management services	534	436	363	22%	47%
Operation support services	1,098	1,097	1,061	0%	3%
Cloud services platform	1,050	1,111	314	-5%	234%
Post-implementation support services	49	50	56	-1%	-11%
Others	217	160	61	36%	257%
Sub-total	3,399	3,354	2,460	1%	38%
Total	4,132	4,139	3,312	0%	25%

Figure 2: OneConnected of 2024	et reiterated its medium-term targets by the	Figure 3: OneConnect customers across time		ım cust	omers a	and pre	mium p	olus
Medium term targets (by	Details		EV20	FY21	1H20	2H20	41124	2H21
end-2024)	3rd party revenue comprises the majority of revenue		FY20				1H21	
Top three revenue in China		Premium customers	168	212	346	248	460	336
	<u>'</u>	Premium plus customers	594	796	87	81	113	99
	Premium customers > 1000							
	Premium plus customers	Growth yoy						
Non-IFRS gross profit margin  Become profitable		Premium customers		26%			33%	35%
		Premium plus customers		34%			30%	22%
	SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RESEARCH, COMPANY REPORTS		SOURCE	S: CGS-CII	MB RESEA	ARCH, COI	MPANY RE	PORTS

Figure 4: OneConnect's non-IFRS gross profit margin, net profits and third party revenue mix across time											
	FY20	FY21	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	
Non-IFRS gross profit margin (%)	46.7%	42.1%	46.0%	47.5%	51.2%	42.8%	43.5%	42.3%	42.2%	40.8%	
Net profits (Rmb m)	-1,354	-1,282	-415	-331	-243	-365	-305	-349	-270	-358	
Third party revenue mix (%)	38%	34%	46%	37%	34%	36%	38%	32%	33%	32%	
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#### Refinitiv ESG Scores













#### ESG in a nutshell

OneConnect scored a C- rating for its combined ESG score by Refinitiv in 2020, the same as in 2019. OneConnect, an associate of Ping An Insurance Group, has integrated ESG core concepts not only into its own business operations but has also promoted ESG development in other countries. In Feb 2021, OneConnect entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Singapore Exchange (SGX) to collaborate and build an environmental, social and governance (ESG) platform to facilitate and simplify the ESG disclosure processes for companies listed on SGX. OneConnect and SGX stated that the platform will help overcome common challenges faced by companies and investors when dealing with ESG information, including a lack of comparability, investors' changing demands, and an evolving regulatory landscape. OneConnect has also committed to empowering the good growth of small and microenterprises through techniques and product and service development. Together with Internet Finance Association of Small and Medium-sized Banks (IFAB), OneConnect built the IFAB trade financing network based on blockchain, connected banks and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), promoted better service of financial institutions, and solved the problem for these SMEs who find it difficult and costly to be financed. Ping An believes in "tech for social good". We believe that OneConnect, as part of the Ping An ecosystem, will benefit from the synergy with the development of Ping An's own artificial intelligence-driven ESG framework in China.

## Keep your eye on

A report letter from Yonglin research, which is a company that does not seem to exist, that seemingly circulated on social media in Aug 2021 stated that OneConnect forged its financial data from 2019, and over 200 of its 900 non-Ping An VIP clients (comprising Rmb700m) were 'made-up', according to the Securities Times in Aug 2021. OneConnect immediately responded on its WeChat account that the report letter is not true and the company has true and accurate financial statements.

#### **Implications**

OneConnect subsequently announced on 5 Nov 2021 that its internal audit committee has completed an investigation and has found no evidence to support the allegations of the report letter released by Yonglin research. We think that therefore it is currently no longer an issue.

#### **ESG** highlights

OneConnect's C- ESG score is at the bottom of the range of Refinitiv combined ESG scores of the stocks under our coverage (the range is B to C-). This is due to its relatively poor environmental score (D-), governance score (D+), resource use (D-) and social pillar score (C+).

#### **Implications**

There seems to be significant scope for OneConnect to improve its ESG scores, especially given the extent that its parent, Ping An Group, seems to heavily focus on ESG. According to Ping An Group's 2020 sustainability report, its ESG rating of A from MSCI is the highest level for a financial company in China Mainland. Ping An Group also stated that its A- ESG rating from CDP (Carbon Disclosure Project) is also the highest level for a financial company in China Mainland.

#### **Trends**

OneConnect's Refinitiv combined ESG score has been stable after its 2019 listing at C- in both 2019 and 2020. Its Social pillar score rose from C in 2019 to C+ in 2020. This was offset by its Governance pillar score, which dropped from D+ in 2019 to D in 2020. Its ESG Controversies score was A+ in both 2019 and 2020.

#### **Implications**

We see scope for improvement of its ESG ratings, given how low some of these ratings are.

SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RESEARCH. REFINITI

## Key changes to our estimates

We adjust our earnings per share (American Depositary Receipt) estimates for FY22F by +2%, and FY23F by -8% and FY24F by -526% (Fig 5), driven by broadly lower revenue forecasts. Also, we now have OneConnect breaking even in early FY25F, instead of late FY24F.



		FY22F		FY23F			FY24F		
(Rmb m)	Old	New	% change	Old	New	% change	Old	New	% change
Revenue	5,212	4,977	-4.5%	6,060	5,959	-1.7%	6,987	7,095	1.5%
Cost of revenue	-3,235	-3,131	-3.2%	-3,505	-3,605	2.9%	-3,723	-4,115	10.5%
Gross profit	1,976	1,846	-6.6%	2,555	2,354	-7.8%	3,264	2,980	-8.7%
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R&D expenses	-1,561	-1,434	-8.1%	-1,608	-1,521	-5.4%	-1,685	-1,615	-4.2%
Selling & marketing expenses	-478	-540	13.0%	-425	-500	17.8%	-397	-467	17.6%
General & admin. expenses	-922	-839	-9.1%	-936	-851	-9.1%	-970	-862	-11.2%
Net impairment losses	-76	-47	-37.7%	-63	-36	-43.1%	-56	-28	-50.3%
Other income (FRIT)	58	14	-76.2%	58	14	-76.2%	58	14	-76.2%
Operating loss (EBIT)	-1,002	-1,000	-0.2%	-420	-541	28.9%	213	21	-90.2%
Finance costs - net	-110	-25	-77.5%	-151	-40	-73.5%	-205	-51	-75.2%
Share of losses of associate & JVs	-3	7	-312.5%	-3	5	-312.5%	-2	4	-312.5%
Loss before income tax	-1,115	-1,018	-8.7%	-573	-575	0.4%	6	-26	-497.3%
Tax	89	79	-10.9%	46	45	-1.9%	-1	2	-488.0%
Loss for the year	-1,026	-938	-8.6%	-527	-530	0.6%	6	-24	-498.1%
Minority Interests	37	31	-16.1%	17	16	-7.7%	0	1	-465.1%
Net loss/ profit	-989	-908	-8.3%	-510	-515	0.9%	6	-23	-499.1%
Other items									
Cash & cash equivalents	4,010	1,497	-62.7%	4,551	1,597	-64.9%	5,135	1,698	-66.9%
Total assets	11,410	9,867	-13.5%	12,670	10,572	-16.6%	14,072	11,392	-19.0%
Total liabilities	7,346	6,411	-12.7%	8,525	7,077	-17.0%	9,916	7,918	-20.1%
Total equity	4,064	3,455	-15.0%	4,145	3,495	-15.7%	4,156	3,474	-16.4%
Gross margin	37.9%	37.1%	-0.8 pts	42.2%	39.5%	-2.7 pts	46.7%	42.0%	-4.7 pts
EBIT margin	-19.2%	-20.1%	-0.9 pts	-6.9%	-9.1%	-2.1 pts	3.1%	0.3%	-2.8 pts
EBITDA margin	-12.5%	-10.2%	2.4 pts	-0.9%	-1.0%	-0.1 pts	8.7%	7.1%	-1.6 pts
Net profit margin	-19.0%	-18.2%	0.8 pts	-8.4%	-8.6%	-0.2 pts	0.1%	-0.3%	-0.4 pts
Revenue per ADS (Rmb)	13.36	13.61	1.8%	15.54	16.30	4.9%	17.92	19.40	8.3%
Earnings/ loss per ADS (Rmb)	-2.54	-2.48	2%	-1.31	-1.41	-8%	0.01	-0.06	-526%
Book value per ADS (Rmb)	10.17	9.33	-8.2%	10.36	9.43	-9.0%	10.38	9.37	-9.7%
EBIT (Rmb m)	-1,002	-1,000	-0.2%	-420	-541	28.9%	213	21	-90.2%
EBITDA (Rmb m)	-653	-506	-22.5%	-56	-60	7.2%	609	502	-17.6%
ROE	-24%	-25%	-1.5 pts	-13%	-15%	-2.3 pts	0%	-1%	-0.8 pts
Assets/ Equity ratio	2.8	2.9	1.7%	3.1	3.0	-1.0%	3.4	3.3	-3.1%
Dividend per ADS (Rmb)	0	0	n.a.	0.1	0.0	n.a.	0.1	0.0	n.a.
Effective tax rate	8.0%	7.8%	-0.2 pts	8.0%	7.8%	-0.2 pts	8.0%	7.8%	-0.2 pts
Total revenue growth	25.9%	20.4%	-5.5 pts	16.3%	19.7%	3.5 pts	15.3%	19.1%	3.7 pts
Total net profit growth	-26%	-29%	-3.5 pts	-48%	-43%	5.2 pts	-101%	-96%	5.6 pts
Diluted EPS growth	-26%	-28%	-2.8 pts	-48%	-43%	5.2 pts	-101%	-96%	5.6 pts
R&D/ total revenue (%)	30.0%	28.8%	-1.1 pts	26.5%	25.5%	-1.0 pts	24.1%	22.8%	-1.4 pts
Selling & marketing exp. / total revenue (%)	9.2%	10.8%	1.7 pts	7.0%	8.4%	1.4 pts	5.7%	6.6%	0.9 pts
General admin. expenses / total revenue (%)	17.7%	16.8%	-0.8 pts	15.5%	14.3%	-1.2 pts	13.9%	12.2%	-1.7 pts
Net impairment losses/ total revenue (%)	1.5%	1.0%	-50.7 bp	1.0%	0.6%	-44.0 bp	0.8%	0.4%	-41.3 bp
Financing costs/ average borrowings (%)	5.5%	4.9%	-51.9 bp	5.5%	4.9%	-51.9 bp	5.5%	4.9%	-51.9 bp
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## **Valuation of OneConnect**

Our discounted cash flow (DCF) based target price is US\$3.80, down from US\$4.40 previously (Fig 6). Our lower target price is driven by broadly lower FY22-24F EPS estimates, which translates into lower unlevered free cash flow over our 10-year forecast DCF period.

This results in a cut in our enterprise value of 12% and a 14% cut in our target price to US\$3.80.



Figure 6: Changes to our valuation			
	Old	New	% change
Key assumptions			
Cost of debt	5.5%	5.5%	0.0 pts
Tax rate	25.0%	25.0%	0.0 pts
Cost of equity	18.5%	18.5%	0.0 pts
of which:			
Beta	1.94	1.94	0.0%
Risk free rate	3.0%	3.0%	0.0 pts
Equity risk premium	8.0%	8.0%	0.0 pts
Perpetual growth rate	5.0%	5.0%	0.0 pts
Mix of debt	30.2%	30.2%	0.0 pts
WACC	14.2%	14.2%	0.0 pts
Unlevered free cash flow (Rmb m)			
Year 1	-301	1,031	-442.9%
Year 2	-45	-349	668.3%
Year 3	-245	23	-109.4%
Year 4	306	525	71.5%
Year 5	770	890	15.6%
Year 6	1,040	1,068	2.7%
Year 7	1,331	1,217	-8.5%
Year 8	1,629	1,337	-17.9%
Year 9	1,920	1,442	-24.9%
Year 10	2,196	1,532	-30.2%
DCF-based valuation (Rmb m)			
Enterprise value	10,163	8,915	-12.3%
Debt	2,596.54	1,549.28	-40.3%
Cash	3,283.51	2,227.28	-32.2%
Net debt	-686.97	-678.00	-1.3%
Minority interests	92.16	65.51	-28.9%
Equity valuation	9,384	8,172	-12.9%
Number of ADS (million)	334	334	0.0%
Valuation per share (Rmb)	28.10	24.47	-12.9%
Assumed US\$/ Rmb exchange rate	6.45	6.45	0.0%
Hence target price of ADS (US\$)	4.40	3.80	-13.6%
Current share price (US\$)		1.55	
Share price upside		145%	
		SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RES	SEARCH ESTIMATES

Key re-rating catalysts are regulatory approval to sell financial cloud products to banks as argued in *Initiate with Add; sailing amid rocky waters*, dated 13 Aug 2021. This could also help drive stronger third-party revenues, which is another catalyst. Key downside risks are 1) unexpected additional adverse regulations given that its customers operate in a highly regulated industry, and 2) Ping An Group reducing its technology spending, which would then hurt OneConnect's revenues.



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Figure 7: China fintech companies	comparison	(share	prices as	of 25 Feb 2	022)				
Company Name	Bloomberg code	Rating	TP	Mkt. Cap.	Closing Price	P/S Ratio	P/E Ratio	Revenue Growth	Country
			(Listed Currency)	(Rmb m)	(Listed Currency)			(% YoY)	
Fintech software as a service company						FY21F	FY21F	FY21F	
China:									
Bairong	6608 HK	NR	n.a.	3,184	7.8	2.0	20.7	40.8%	China
Hithink Royalflush Info	300033 CH	NR	n.a.	57,900	107.7	15.6	26.2	30.4%	China
Hundsun Tech	600570 CH	Add	120	76,396	52.27	14.2	49.3	28.5%	China
Linklogis	9959 HK	NR	n.a.	13,579	7.2	10.3	37.5	28.3%	China
OneConnect	OCFT US	Add	3.8	3,844	1.6	0.9	n.a.	24.9%	China
Shenzhen Kingdom Sci-Tech	600446 CH	NR	n.a.	15,048	16.0	2.2	38.5	23.7%	China
Sunline Tech	300348 CH	NR	n.a.	11,118	15.4	5.8	43.1	23.6%	China
Ysstech Info-tech	300377 CH	NR	n.a.	10,604	14.1	13.1	78.4	-3.6%	China
Yusys Tech	300674 CH	NR	n.a.	15,499	21.8	4.2	33.0	24.9%	China
Average						11.8	39.9	26.6%	

SOURCES: CGS-CIMB RESEARCH ESTIMATES, COMPANY REPORTS, BLOOMBERG

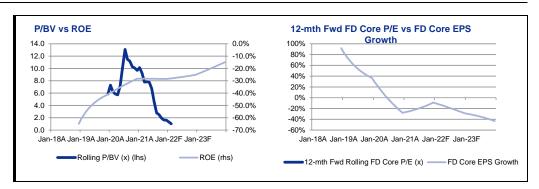
Note: Forecasts for Not rated companies are based on Bloomberg consensus estimates. OneConnect's FY21 numbers are actual and not estimates, as they are the only company to have reported FY21 results.



Figure 8: Key financial data of OneConnect	:								
	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22F	FY23F	FY24F	FY25F
Profit & Loss (Rmb m)									
Revenue	582	1,413	2,328	3,312	4,132	4,977	5,959	7,095	8,372
Cost of revenue  Gross profit	-483 99	-1,025 389	-1,561 767	-2,069 1,243	-2,696	-3,131	-3,605 2,354	-4,115 2,980	-4,652 3,720
					1,437	1,846			
Research and Development expenses	-537	-459	-956	-1,173	-1,353	-1,434	-1,521	-1,615	-1,864
Selling & marketing expenses	-208 -270	-442 -520	-636 -757	-629 -835	-588 -842	-540 -839	-500 -851	-467 -862	-528 -987
General & administrative expenses  Net impairment losses	0	-520 -2	-757 -45	-135	-042	-039 -47	-36	-002	-907
Other income, gains or loss-net	26	-80	-74	58	14	14	14	14	14
Operating loss (EBIT)	-890	-1,114	-1,701	-1,470	-1,405	-1,000	-541	21	324
Finance costs - net	-84	-34	-47	-73	-48	-25	-40	-51	-58
Share of losses of associate & JVs	-3	-15	-15	-8	10	7	5	4	4
Loss before income tax	-977	-1,164	-1,762	-1,551	-1,443	-1,018	-575	-26	269
Tax	370	-26	75	137	112	79	45	2	-21
Loss for the year	-607	-1,190	-1,688	-1,414	-1,331	-938	-530	-24	248
Minority Interests	0	-5	27	61	49	31	16	1	-6
Loss attributable to owners	-607	-1,196	-1,661	-1,354	-1,282	-908	-515	-23	242
Mix of revenue	001	040/	050/	2001	4007	4007	007	70/	F61
Implementation Transaction-based and Support Services	9%	21%	25%	26%	18%	13%	9%	7%	5%
Business origination services	78%	39%	33%	18%	11%	8%	8%	8%	8%
Risk management services	0%	15%	14%	11%	13%	14%	14%	14%	15%
Operation support services	9%	22%	25%	32%	27%	26%	27%	26%	26%
Cloud services platform	0%	0%	0%	9%	25%	32%	35%	37%	39%
Post-implement. support services	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Others	4%	1%	2%	2%	5%	6%	6%	6%	6%
Sub-total Sub-total	91%	79%	75%	74%	82%	87%	91%	93%	95%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Balance sheet									
Cash and cash equivalents	848	565	1,078	3,055	1,399	1,497	1,597	1,698	1,800
Other current assets	1,217	7,294	6,581	5,885	5,499	5,740	6,051	6,377	6,718
Total current assets	2,065	7,859	7,659	8,940	6,898	7,237	7,647	8,075	8,518
Total non current assets Total assets	951 3,016	1,524 9,383	2,269 9,927	1,946 10,885	2,442 9,341	2,629 9,867	2,924 10,572	3,318 11,392	3,774 12,291
Short-term borrowings	1,502	3,386	3,219	2,283	815	1,233	1,345	1,596	1,568
Other current liabilities  Total current liabilities	1,359 2,861	1,736 5,122	1,721 4,940	2,883 5,167	4,347 5,162	4,839 6,072	5,395 6,741	5,984 7,579	6,663 8,230
Total non-current liabilities	189	429	467	433	343	340	336	339	342
Total liabilities	3,050	5,552	5,407	5,600	5,506	6,411	7,077	7,918	8,572
Equity pre-minorities	-35	3,720	4,370	5,195	3,794	3,412	3,449	3,426	3,669
Minorities	0	111	150	90	3,794 41	43	3,449 45	48	50
Total equity	-35	3,831	4,521	5,285	3,835	3,455	3,495	3,474	3,719
Key ratios and data									
Gross margin	17.1%	27.5%	32.9%	37.5%	34.8%	37.1%	39.5%	42.0%	44.4%
EBIT margin	-153.0%	-78.8%	-73.1%	-44.4%	-34.0%	-20.1%	-9.1%	0.3%	3.9%
EBITDA margin	-103.6%	-53.8%	-53.3%	-31.7%	-19.1%	-10.2%	-1.0%	7.1%	10.1%
Net profit margin	-104.3%	-84.6%	-71.3%	-40.9%	-31.0%	-18.2%	-8.6%	-0.3%	2.9%
Revenue per ADS (Rmb)	1.94	4.59	7.43	9.33	11.19	13.61	16.30	19.40	22.89
Earnings per ADS (Rmb)	-2.02	-3.88	-5.30	-3.81	-3.47	-2.48	-1.41	-0.06	0.66
Book value per ADS (Rmb)	-0.12	12.08	13.96	14.64	10.27	9.33	9.43	9.37	10.03
EBITDA (Rmb m)	-603	-760 65%	-1,241	-1,049	-791	-506	-60	502	846
ROE ROA		-65% -19%	-41% -17%	-28% -13%	-29% -13%	-25% -9%	-15% -5%	-1% 0%	7% 2%
Assets/ Equity ratio	-86.4	2.4	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.3	3.3
Dividend per ADS (Rmb)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.5
Total revenue growth		142.9%	64.7%	42.3%	24.8%	20.4%	19.7%	19.1%	18.0%
Total net profit growth		97%	39%	-18%	-5%	-29%	-43%	-96%	-1157%
R&D/ total revenue (%)	92%	32%	41%	35%	33%	29%	26%	23%	22%
	36%	31%	27%	19%	14%	11%	8%	7%	6%
Selling & marketing exp. / total revenue (%)	3070								400/
Selling & marketing exp. / total revenue (%) General admin. expenses / total revenue (%)	46%	37%	33%	25%	20%	17%	14%	12%	
Selling & marketing exp. / total revenue (%)		37% 0.2% 6.7%	33% 1.9% 5.3%	25% 4.1% 5.5%	20% 1.7% 4.9%	17% 1.0% 4.9%	0.6% 4.9%	12% 0.4% 4.9%	12% 0.4% 4.9%



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(Rmbm)	Dec-20A	Dec-21A	Dec-22F	Dec-23F	Dec-24F
Total Net Revenues	3,312	4,132	4,977	5,959	7,095
Gross Profit	1,243	1,437	1,846	2,354	2,980
Operating EBITDA	(1,049)	(791)	(506)	(60)	502
Depreciation And Amortisation	(421)	(614)	(494)	(481)	(482)
Operating EBIT	(1,470)	(1,405)	(1,000)	(541)	21
Financial Income/(Expense)	(73)	(48)	(25)	(40)	(51)
Pretax Income/(Loss) from Assoc.	(8)	10	7	5	4
Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	0	0	0	0	0
Profit Before Tax (pre-EI)	(1,551)	(1,443)	(1,018)	(575)	(26)
Exceptional Items					
Pre-tax Profit	(1,551)	(1,443)	(1,018)	(575)	(26)
Taxation	137	112	79	45	2
Exceptional Income - post-tax					
Profit After Tax	(1,414)	(1,331)	(938)	(530)	(24)
Minority Interests	61	49	31	16	1
Preferred Dividends					
FX Gain/(Loss) - post tax					
Other Adjustments - post-tax					
Net Profit	(1,354)	(1,282)	(908)	(515)	(23)
Recurring Net Profit	(1,354)	(1,282)	(908)	(515)	(23)
Fully Diluted Recurring Net Profit	(1,354)	(1,282)	(908)	(515)	(23)

Cash Flow					
(Rmbm)	Dec-20A	Dec-21A	Dec-22F	Dec-23F	Dec-24F
EBITDA	(1,049)	(791)	(506)	(60)	502
Cash Flow from Invt. & Assoc.	5	(10)	(7)	(5)	(4)
Change In Working Capital	130	78	(595)	(638)	(672)
(Incr)/Decr in Total Provisions	197	103	47	36	28
Other Non-Cash (Income)/Expense	97	268	104	119	132
Other Operating Cashflow					
Net Interest (Paid)/Received	(73)	(48)	(25)	(40)	(51)
Tax Paid	(10)	(6)	(15)	(9)	(1)
Cashflow From Operations	(704)	(404)	(996)	(597)	(66)
Capex	(56)	(137)	(171)	(205)	(238)
Disposals Of FAs/subsidiaries					
Acq. Of Subsidiaries/investments	0	0	0	0	0
Other Investing Cashflow	1,371	525	973	937	318
Cash Flow From Investing	1,316	388	802	731	80
Debt Raised/(repaid)	2,257	1,391	2,992	2,428	2,335
Proceeds From Issue Of Shares	2,722	0	0	0	0
Shares Repurchased					
Dividends Paid					
Preferred Dividends					
Other Financing Cashflow	(3,446)	(3,003)	(2,700)	(2,463)	(2,248)
Cash Flow From Financing	1,534	(1,612)	292	(34)	87
Total Cash Generated	2,145	(1,628)	98	100	101
Free Cashflow To Equity	2,869	1,376	2,798	2,562	2,349
Free Cashflow To Firm	762	61	(143)	198	87

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Balance Sheet					
(Rmbm)	Dec-20A	Dec-21A	Dec-22F	Dec-23F	Dec-24F
Total Cash And Equivalents	5,336	2,460	2,558	2,742	2,935
Total Debtors	1,540	1,868	1,981	2,073	2,167
Inventories					
Total Other Current Assets	2,064	2,570	2,698	2,832	2,973
Total Current Assets	8,940	6,898	7,237	7,647	8,075
Fixed Assets	229	244	288	344	403
Total Investments	198	826	898	975	1,060
Intangible Assets	917	687	629	653	757
Total Other Non-Current Assets	607	685	814	952	1,098
Total Non-current Assets	1,951	2,442	2,629	2,924	3,318
Short-term Debt	2,283	815	1,233	1,345	1,596
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt					
Total Creditors	2,173	2,652	2,836	3,037	3,210
Other Current Liabilities	710	1,695	2,002	2,358	2,774
Total Current Liabilities	5,167	5,162	6,072	6,741	7,579
Total Long-term Debt					
Hybrid Debt - Debt Component					
Total Other Non-Current Liabilities	413	333	329	324	326
Total Non-current Liabilities	413	333	329	324	326
Total Provisions	20	10	11	12	13
Total Liabilities	5,600	5,506	6,411	7,077	7,918
Shareholders' Equity	5,195	3,794	3,412	3,449	3,426
Minority Interests	90	41	43	45	48
Total Equity	5,285	3,835	3,455	3,495	3,474

Key Ratios					
	Dec-20A	Dec-21A	Dec-22F	Dec-23F	Dec-24F
Revenue Growth	42.3%	24.8%	20.4%	19.7%	19.1%
Operating EBITDA Growth	(15.5%)	(24.6%)	(36.0%)	(88.1%)	N/A
Operating EBITDA Margin	(31.7%)	(19.1%)	(10.2%)	(1.0%)	7.1%
Net Cash Per Share (Rmb)	7.83	4.22	3.40	3.58	3.43
BVPS (Rmb)	13.32	9.73	8.75	8.84	8.79
Gross Interest Cover	(9.78)	(18.33)	(19.73)	(8.48)	0.29
Effective Tax Rate	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Net Dividend Payout Ratio	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Accounts Receivables Days	85.57	76.40	67.30	59.46	52.84
Inventory Days	-	-	-	-	-
Accounts Payables Days	232.1	249.5	255.4	232.9	212.7
ROIC (%)	(34.7%)	(42.6%)	(43.9%)	(25.8%)	1.1%
ROCE (%)	(18.1%)	(22.5%)	(20.8%)	(10.8%)	0.9%
Return On Average Assets	(13.1%)	(12.8%)	(9.6%)	(4.9%)	0.1%

Key Drivers					
	Dec-20A	Dec-21A	Dec-22F	Dec-23F	Dec-24F
R&D/ total revenue (%)	35.4%	32.7%	28.8%	25.5%	22.8%
Selling & marketing exp. / total revenue (%)	19.0%	14.2%	10.8%	8.4%	6.6%
General admin. expenses / total revenue (%)	25.2%	20.4%	16.8%	14.3%	12.2%
Net impairment losses/ total revenue (%)	406.1%	174.8%	95.1%	60.5%	39.5%
Minorities / profit pre minorities (%)	-4.3%	-3.7%	-3.3%	-3.0%	-2.7%
Effective tax rate (%)	8.8%	7.8%	7.8%	7.8%	7.8%
Financing costs/ average borrowings (%)	5.5%	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%
Total revenue growth (%)	42.3%	24.8%	20.4%	19.7%	19.1%
Gross margin (%)	37.5%	34.8%	37.1%	39.5%	42.0%

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