



Building a leading African financial services  
group

July 2014 Interim Results

# ***Letshego Group continues to record strong performance, growth and returns to shareholders***

## **Highlights**

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- At BWP5.7 bn (USD630 m) Letshego is in the **top 40** listed companies by market capitalisation (ex South Africa) across sub-Saharan Africa
- Employing over 1,300 across 10 African countries, Letshego Holdings Group (“LHG”) services 250,000 customers through 260 branches and access points
- Grew July 2014 **PBT 11% to P508m** on July 2013; ex-forex gain in prior period, **PBT grew 22%**
- Our customer loan portfolio grew **31% to P5bn**, with a 5 year CAGR of **35%**
- Debt equity has improved from 25% to **39%**
- Dividend pay-out has been doubled to **8.5thebe (6.6% annualised yield)**



# AGENDA

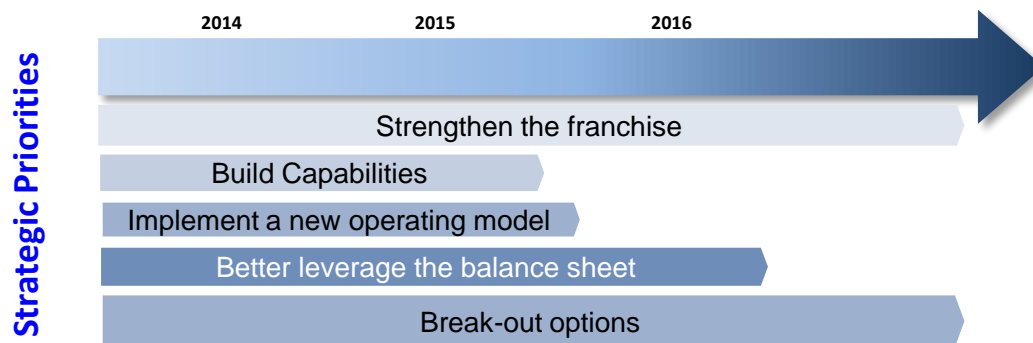
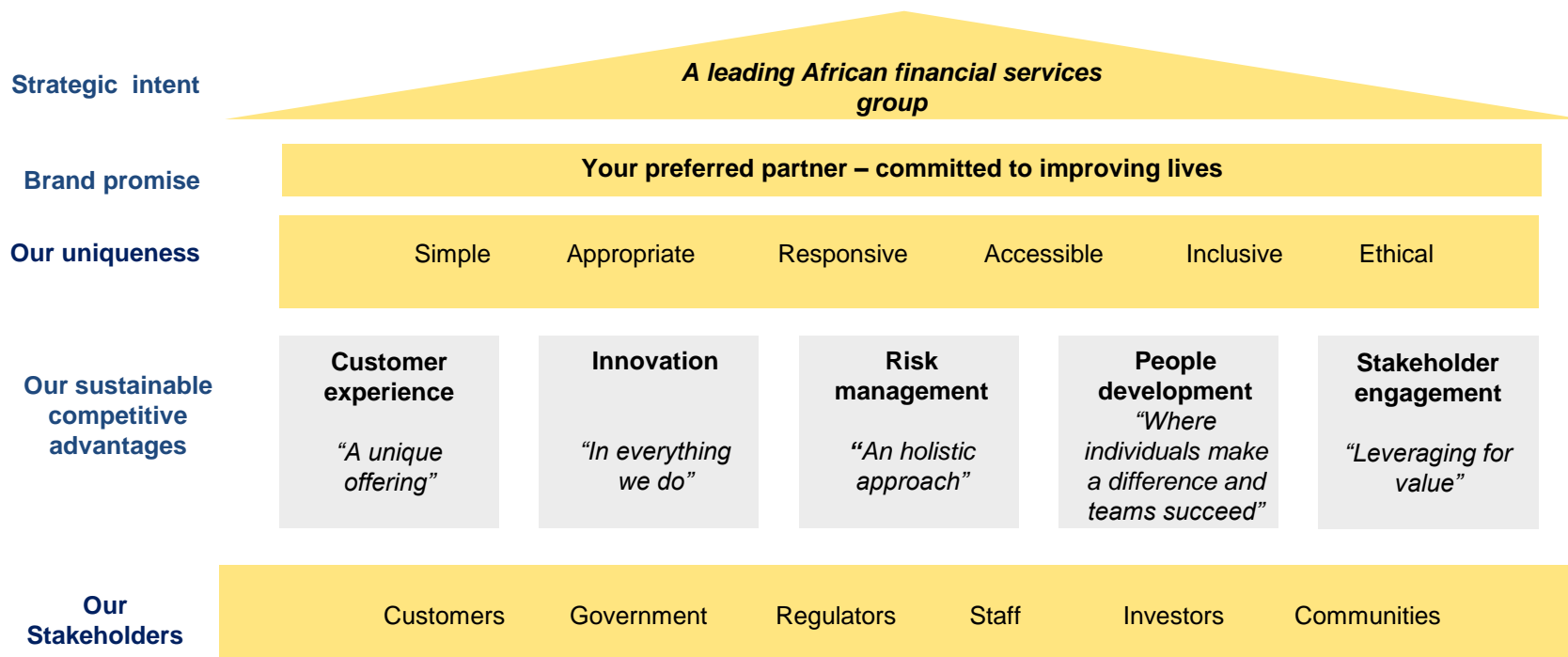
## Vision and strategy execution

- Our vision and strategy
- Core business
- Franchise development
- Building sustainable competitive advantage
- Balance sheet management
- Commitment to ESG

## Results

- Interim results
- Key trends
- Balance sheet
- Income statement

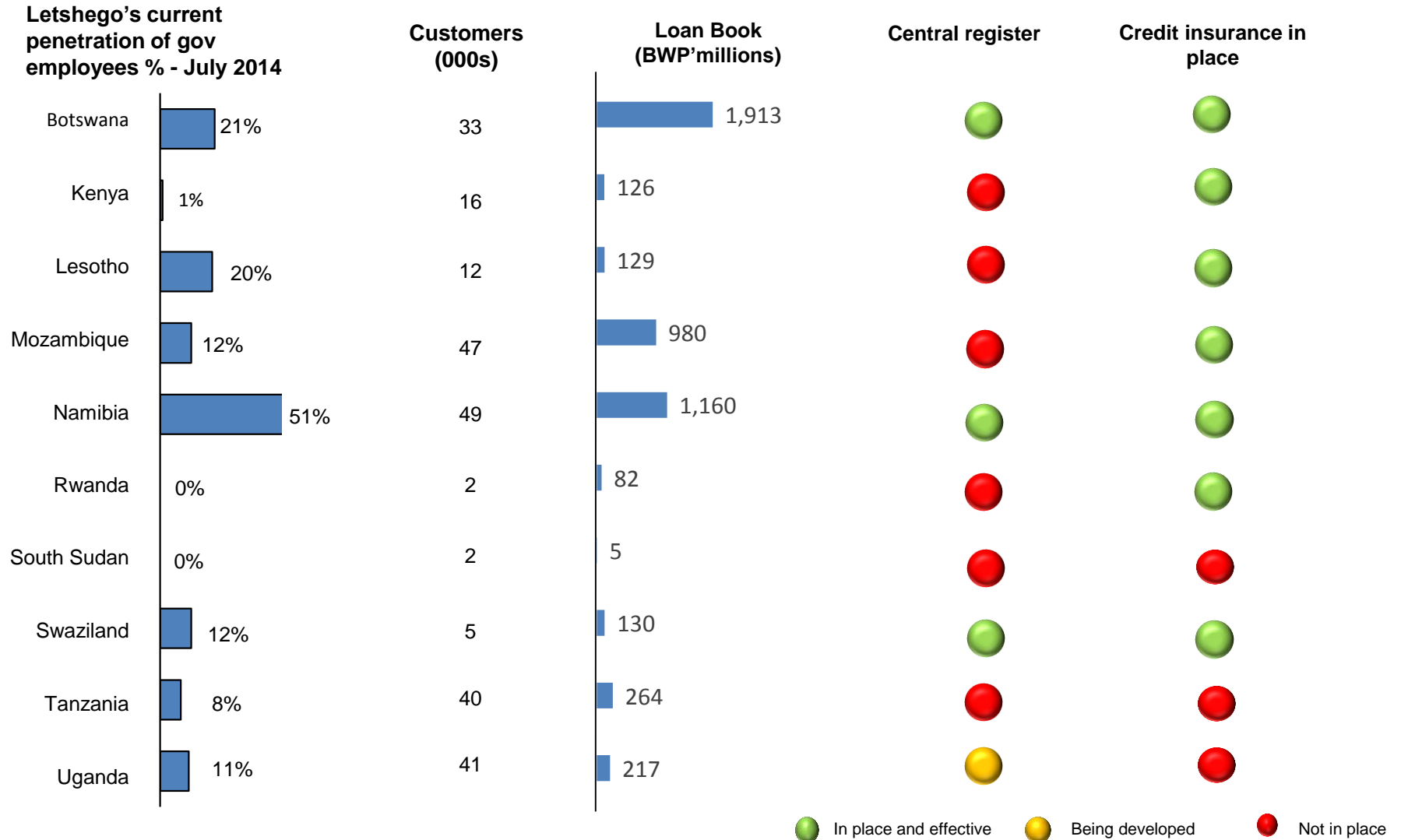
# We have agreed a clear vision and strategy for growth



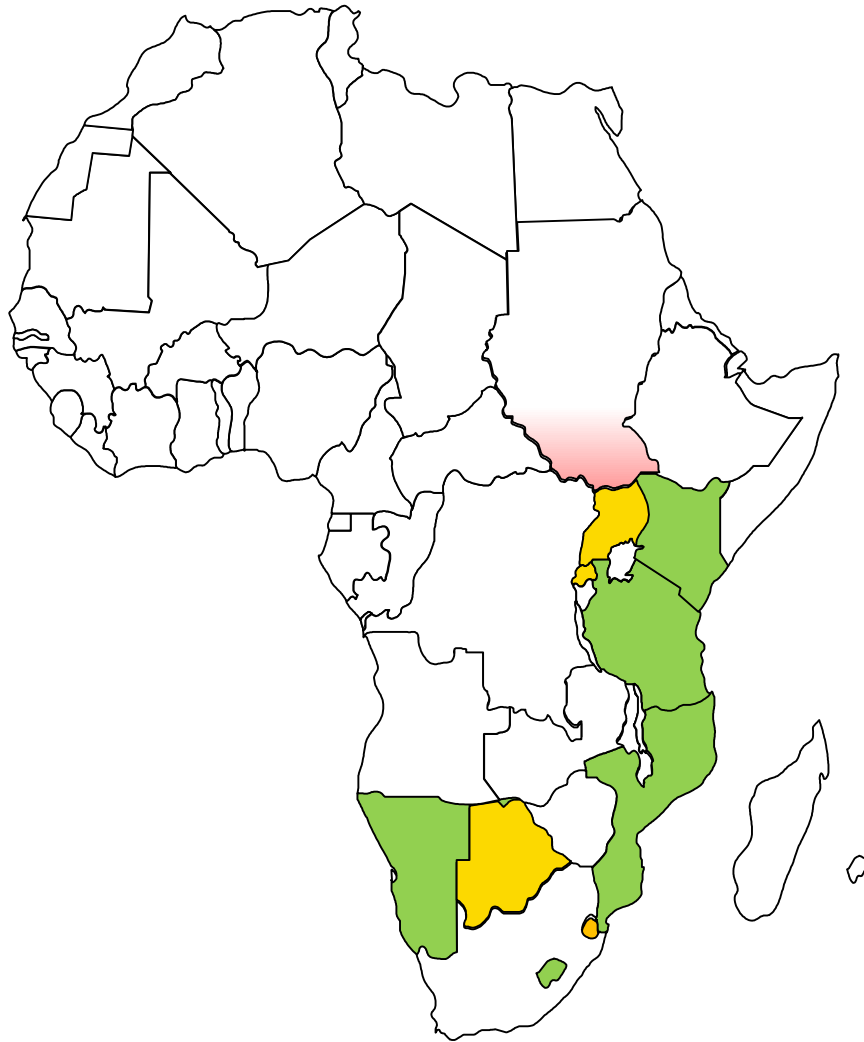
*“LHG of the future will offer simple, appropriate and inclusive products; flexible and convenient access; responsive and ethical credit; and support for the MSE owner to build his or her business – and all at a very low cost.”*



# ***Our consumer finance (payroll) business remains core, with good penetration and improved credit risk management***



# Our transformation strategy envisages three approaches to franchise development



Invest to  
Grow

Diversify /  
Defend

Hold /  
Divest

- Kenya
- Moz'bique
- Tanzania
- Namibia
- Lesotho

- Botswana
- Uganda
- Rwanda
- Swaziland

- South Sudan

- *Namibia granted a provisional banking licence July 2014*
- *Housing microfinance in Kenya picking up*
- *Options to exit South Sudan are being explored*
- *Sale of minor stake in Tanzanian MF business, Tujijenge, in progress*

# Invest to Grow: Mozambique

## Invest to Grow



- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Namibia
- Mozambique**
- Tanzania

- Commenced Sept 2010 under micro-banking licence, regulated by Banco Mocambique (deposit-taking since February 2014)
- 7<sup>th</sup> largest bank in Mozambique by total assets
- In top 50 local companies at 2013 by profitability
- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest contributor to Group assets and profit
- Branch network of 11 with a customer base of 46,000, supported by 97 full time employees and 30 sales agents

- Advances growth in Mozambique 60% on July 2013, to **BWP 980 million**, with PBT up 90% to **BWP 72 million**
- Capital Adequacy of 19% (regulatory minimum of 10%)
- Planned to be LHG's first "full service" operation – financial inclusion suite, fully integrated banking system
- Working with the regulator on mobile and agency banking framework



# Diversify: Rwanda

## Diversify



- Botswana
- **Rwanda**
- Swaziland
- Uganda

- Acquired in 2012 with Micro Africa Limited (MAL), the company is regulated by the Banque National Rwanda as a micro-finance deposit-taker
- Diversification is being achieved through low-cost housing microfinance, education loans and lending to micro and small enterprises
- Having evaluated the commercial viability of it, the group lending product was phased out
- We do not engage in payroll deduction lending in Rwanda
- Customer access points remain at 6 servicing 2,400 customers, supported by 82 full time employees and 44 sales agents

- Advances growth of 102% on July 2013, to **BWP 82 million**, with PBT up 38% to **BWP 5 million**
- Focus is to achieve efficiencies and innovations in selling value chain have resulted in 10% reduction in cost-to-income ratio in 2014 e.g. the unique retention of interns and graduates doubled productivity
- The company is preparing to launch its current and savings account deposit-taking late 2014 under its micro-finance deposit-taking licence
- Financial inclusion is earmarked for roll-out in 2015





# Defend: Botswana

## Defend



- **Botswana**
  - Rwanda
  - Swaziland
  - Uganda

- LHG's founding operation (since 1998) and regulated by NBFIRA
  - Major competition is with commercial banks for retail unsecured lending, hence the need to defend
  - Customer access points increased from 11 to 12, servicing 32,000 customers, supported by 103 full time employees and 100 direct sales agents
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- Net advances just under **BWP 2 billion**, with PBT up 20% to **BWP 215 million**
  - We have entered the mining sector as an adjacent customer segment in our Botswana portfolio
  - Housing microfinance has commenced in partnership with a large construction supplies group
  - We are looking to call-centre productivity as a model across LHG



# ***We are building sustainable competitive advantage in five key areas***

## Customer experience

- A unique offering

## Innovation

- In everything we do

## Risk management

- Holistic approach

## People development

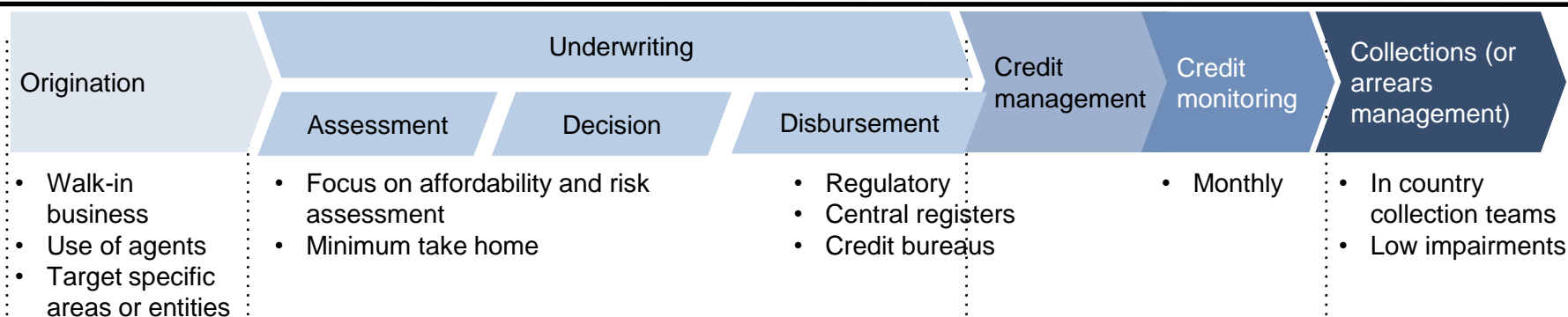
- Where individuals make a difference and teams succeed

## Stakeholder engagement

- Leveraging for value



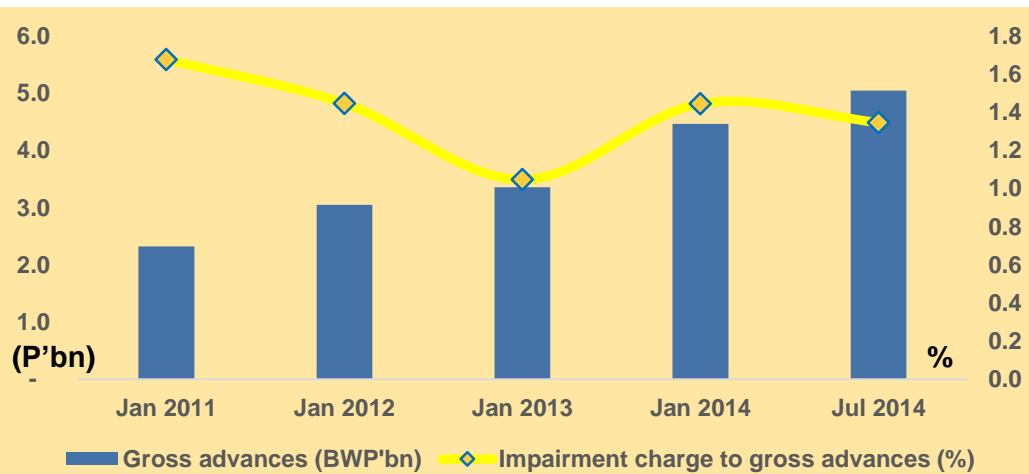
# Effective and prudent risk management will be essential



## Payroll Deduction Loans

- Expected monthly installments monitored
- If missed instalment is due to default, loan is either recovered via insurance (where applicable) or **immediately** written off
- Intensive risk assessment training
- Direct debit mandates with customers, in the event customer is off regular collection channels
- Provisions in line with IFRS

## Asset growth - without compromising quality



# ***We are progressing diversification and leverage of our balance sheet***

	31 July 2014	31 July 2013
<b>Diversity of borrowings base</b>	<b>P'm</b>	<b>P'm</b>
<b>Borrowings</b>		
African Alliance Liquidity Fund (Botswana)	56	20
Banco Terra (Mozambique)	17	21
Capital Bank Limited (Botswana)	40	-
Chase Bank (Kenya)	44	-
FNB (Botswana)	151	-
Investec Asset Management (Botswana)	-	55
Medium Term Note - BSE and JSE Listed Bond	950	607
Standard Bank (Mozambique)	78	-
Standard Chartered Bank (Botswana and Uganda)	71	61
Others (pan-African)	94	95
<b>Total borrowings</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>859</b>

- Good progress on increasing mix of local funding (reduced currency exposure)
- The note programmes have improved term mismatch and gearing
- Deposit-taking is commencing; however augmenting our funding profile will take time



# ***We continue to drive a commitment to ESG principles***

## **Improving lives**

- The majority of our loans are used by customers for education, health and business or livelihood purposes
- Our government agenda focuses on financial inclusion and skills deepening
- Our East African business has a growing capability in low cost housing finance provision
- We are building out linkages to technical assistance partners
- We set aside 1% of our PAT to invest in sustainable projects each year that benefit the communities that we operate in



## **Strengthening governance**

- A Group management committee member now sits on each subsidiary board.
- Revised charters and governance policies are being rolled out in line with King III to all subsidiaries
- Appointment of additional independent NEDs to each subsidiary board is underway
- LHG will prepare audited results for the 11 months to 31 December 2014, to be published February 2015

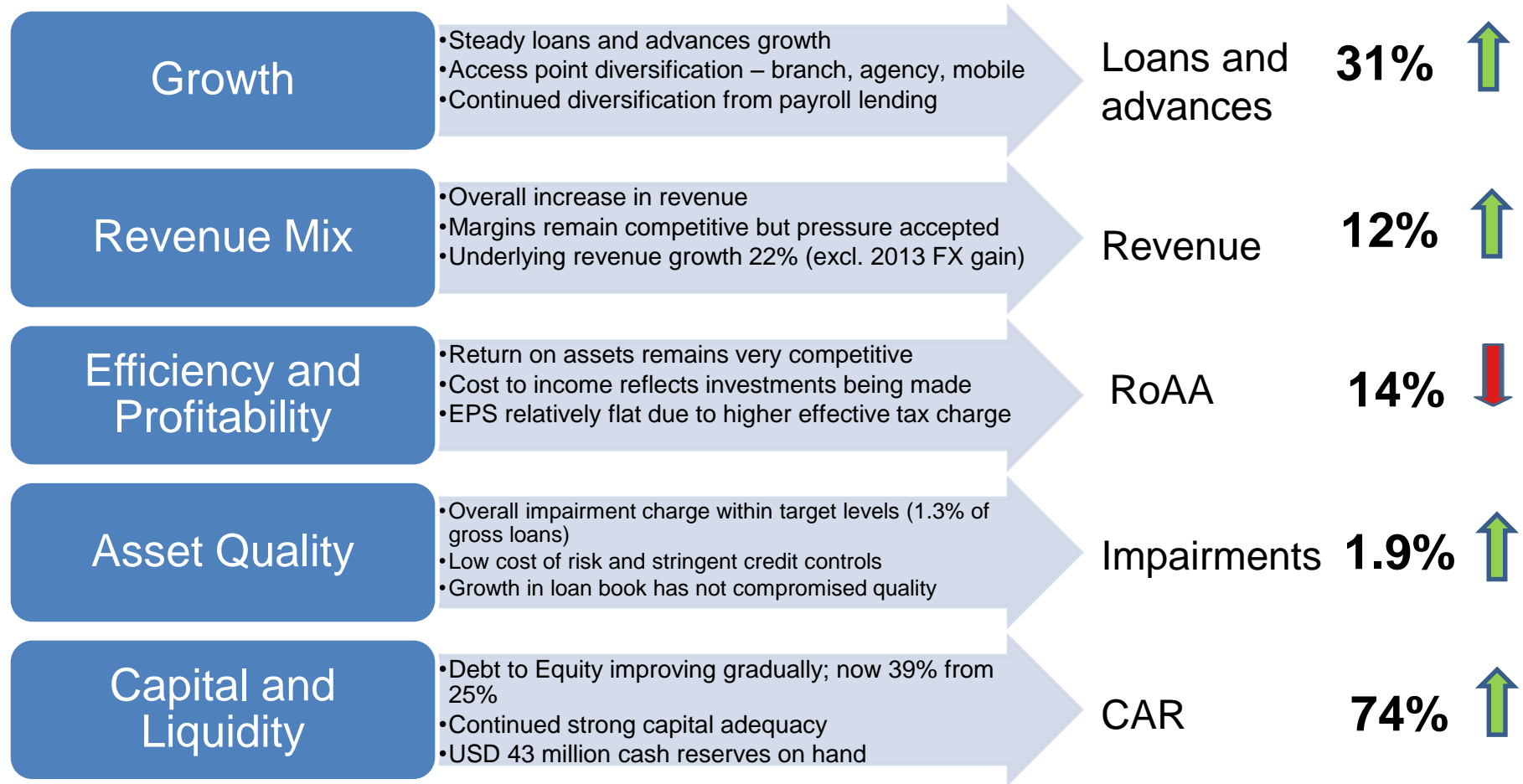




# Results



# ***We delivered a good set of first half results***



# Positive performance, growth and return trends are underpinned by diversification

Advances vs Impairment to Gross Advances



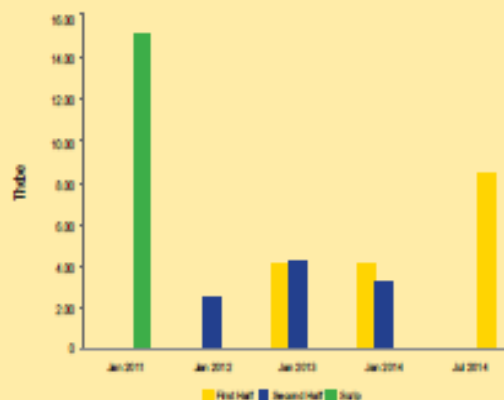
Profit after tax (P'000)



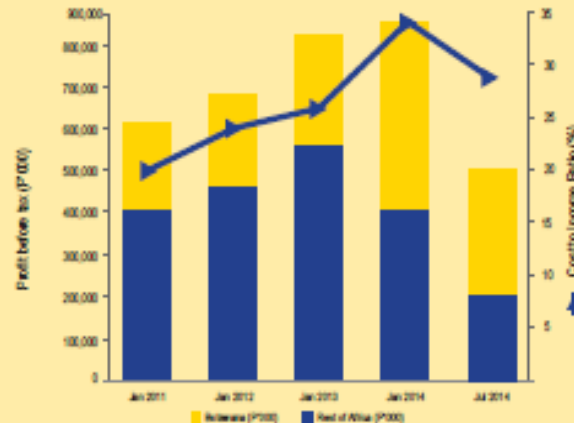
Shareholders' Funds: Debt to Equity



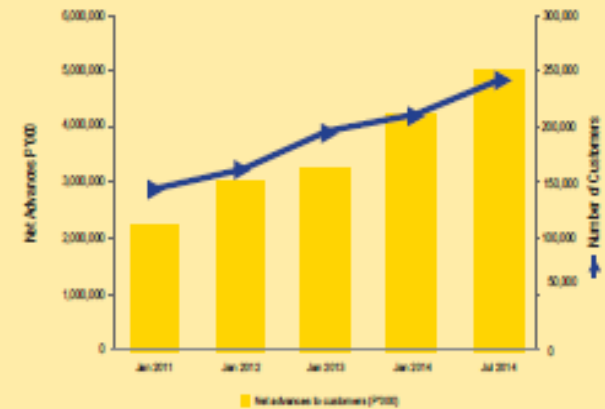
Dividends per Share (Thebe)



Geographic Diversification of PBT to Cost to Income ratio



Net Advances vs. Number of Customers







# Underlying increases in operating income exceeded growth in costs

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
	6 months ended	6 months ended	
	31 July 2014	31 July 2013	%
	P'm	P'm	
Interest income	720	584	23
Interest expense	(90)	(29)	210
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>14</b>
Fee and commission income	75	64	17
Other operating income	57	59	
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>12</b>
Employee costs	(101)	(82)	23
Other operating expenses	(111)	(99)	12
<b>Total costs</b>	<b>(212)</b>	<b>(181)</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Net income before impairment and taxation</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>11</b>
Impairment of advances	(41)	(38)	8
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>11</b>
Taxation	(135)	(96)	
<b>Profit for the period</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>3</b>

# Advances grew strongly and capital adequacy continued to be robust

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION			
	6 months ended	6 months ended	
	31 July 2014	31 July 2013	%
	P'm	P'm	
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	383	433	
Advances to customers	5,006	3,818	31
Plant, equipment and intangible assets	71	50	
Goodwill and other receivables	154	112	
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>5,614</b>	<b>4,413</b> 	<b>27</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Customer deposits and cash collateral	41	39	
Trade and other payables	181	100	
Borrowings	1,501	859	75
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>998</b>	
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>			
Stated capital	973	960	
Share based payment and other reserves	(10)	8	
Retained earnings	2,802	2,359	
<b>Total equity attributable to equity holders of the parent company</b>	<b>3,765</b>	<b>3,327</b>	<b>13</b>
Non-controlling interests	126	88	
<b>Total shareholders' equity</b>	<b>3,891</b>	<b>3,415</b>	
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	<b>5,614</b>	<b>4,413</b> 	<b>27</b>



# ***We remain committed to strong performance, growth and returns***

- **Our transformation strategy continues to focus on:**
  - **Growing our core payroll business**
  - **Diversifying into adjacent segments with innovative consumer and micro lending products**
  - **Building technical assistance and other strategic partnerships**
  - **Diversifying our funding base and improving gearing**
- **We will continue to invest in building capabilities to enhance our sustainable competitive advantages**
- **Effective balance sheet, risk and cost management remain key to our operating model**
- **We are committed to financial inclusion, financial deepening and economic and social governance principles**

