



## **CORPORATE PROFILE**

Our history dates back to 1954 when the People's Construction Bank of China was founded, which was renamed China Construction Bank in 1996, one of the big four commercial banks in China. China Construction Bank Corporation (the "Bank") was formed in September 2004 as a result of a separation of our predecessor, China Construction Bank, and we succeeded to its commercial banking business and related assets and liabilities.

Headquartered in Beijing, as at 31 December 2005, we had a network of 13,977 branches and sub-branches in Mainland China, and maintained overseas branches in Hong Kong, Singapore, Frankfurt, Johannesburg, Tokyo and Seoul, and representative offices in London and New York, with more than 300,000 employees. According to *The Banker* magazine in July 2005, we ranked 25th among the world's top 1,000 banks based on tier-one capital.

Our business consists of three principal business segments:

- corporate banking, which provides various financial products and services to corporations, government agencies and financial institutions, including corporate loans, trade financing, deposit taking, agency services, consulting and advisory services, cash management, remittance and settlement, custody and guarantee services;
- personal banking, which provides financial products and services to individual customers, including personal loans, deposit taking, bank cards, personal wealth management, remittance and securities agency services; and
- treasury operations, which manage our money market activities, consisting of inter-bank transactions and repurchase transactions; manage our investment portfolio, including securities held for both trading and investment purposes; and conduct trading on behalf of customers, including foreign currency and derivatives trading.

Our H shares began trading on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange on 27 October 2005 (Stock Code: 939).

