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Argentina: The third-largest Latin American economy. Solid economic fundamentals and external position



• Fast growing economy (2011E real GDP is 75% larger than 2003)

- Robust levels of employment and consumption growth (under an inflation environment)
- High reserves accumulation during the last decade (2011 coverage : 11.6% of GDP)
- The only major Latin America economy with a balanced budget

Source: INDEC, local official statistical office, EIU, IMF and Santander.

(1) IMF and S&P sovereign foreign currency ratings.

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(2) State-controlled agencies include ANSES (Administracion Nacional de Seguridad Social), FGS (Fondo de Garantia de Sustentabilidad), and BCRA, among others.

Solid and transactional financial system





(1) Average of Brazil 48% - Chile 77% - Colombia 29% - Peru 24%.

Source : Central Bank and Santander Río.

Santander Río is the leading bank in the Argentine private sector



We focus our consumer strategy mainly on middle and high income segments through tailored offerings.



(1) Linked Clients: clients with transactional account, debit card and 3 additional products (2) As of 31.03.2011

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By using an extensive distribution network we aggressively pursue new SME and individual customers, and better approach our wholesale clients



Multi-Channel Distribution Network





Looking Forward 2013

- Positioned as the leading franchise
- Started expansion into key areas
 Agricultural sector + Brazil related regions
- Strong position in each commercial segment
- Well prepared to benefit from credit expansion and client growth

Sustain high ROE through transactional banking and credit growth

- Proven Transactional model with low cost of funds, and fee oriented income
- Strong balance sheet structure Government debt / Assets = 5% Without currency gaps Loans to deposits = 77%
- <u>Hedge 1:</u> Administrative expenses and fees
- Hedge 2: Interest rates of time deposits and commercial loans

<u> 2012 – 2013 FORECASTS</u>

Prices / costs growth $\approx 20\%$ Fee and expenses growth $\approx 25\%$ Deposits and credit growth $\approx 25\%$ Improved margins due to deposits mix and changes in interest rates

NPL from 0.72% to 1.0%









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