

# BBVA and CITIC Group step up their strategic alliance



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#### A partnership that began in November 2006



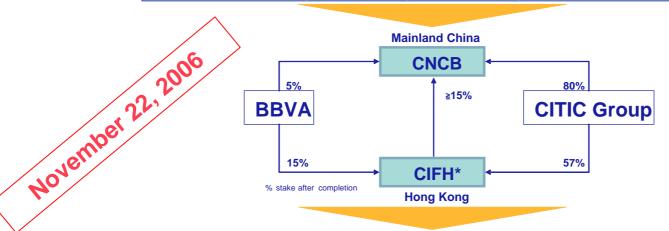




## An important milestone in building BBVA's strategy

**BBVA** 

Exclusive partnership in commercial banking and global markets aross Asia with a leading Chinese conglomerate through an innovative structre



- √ Simultaneous entrance in the China Mainland and Hong Kong banking markets
- ✓ BBVA as the strategic foreign investor in CNCB and CIFH
- ✓ Master cooperation agreements in key areas
- Approximately 28% will in public float based on completion OffFH'
  S stake acquisition in CNCB and assuming 3% RMB/HK\$ exchange mappreciation.

#### Today, we enter into "Phase Two"



#### Highlights I

- BBVA will consolidate both in China and in Hong Kong a unique role as strategic partner of CITIC Group, one of the leading industrial groups in China.
- BBVA to increase its stake in CNCB\* and CIFH to approximately 10% and 30 % respectively. Completion of the transactions expected by 4Q08.
- Total required funds of approximately €800 million, of which approximately €000 million are related to the capital investment, and €200 million will be used to support current and future financial needs of CIFH.

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## Highlights II

- BBVA to increase its presence in the governing bodies of CNCB and CIFH, with up to two and three board members respectively.
- BBVA will maintain its call option to acquire an additional 5% stake in CNCB for two years from the completion of the agreement.
- The joint business opportunities announced with the alliance remain.
- The completion of the agreement is subject to regulatory approvals and successful delisting of CIFH from the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

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#### CITIC Group, a true leader in China

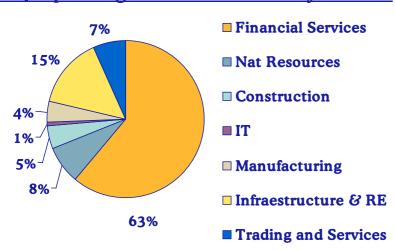


One of the largest industrial conglomerates in China

- ✓ 4th largest crude oil producer.
- ✓ Largest producer of special steel and aluminum by-products.
- ✓ Among top 3 construction machinery and materials manufacturers.
- ✓ One of the largest RE developers.
- ✓ Number one air transport service provider.

#### An industrial conglomerate with a strong financial group

#### 2007 Operating Profit contribution by Division





✓ BBVA's role is unparallel among international players, being the strategic partner of two banks simultaneously in China and in HK



## BBVA increases its exposure to areas that offer superior growth prospects...

## GDP growth (%)



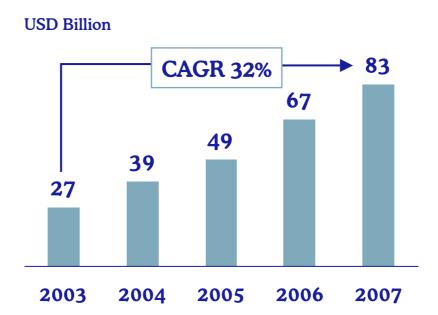
- ✓ Near 60% of HK exports are Chinese exports through HK, while HK is the largest investor in China with 38% of total FDI.
- ✓ This high potential is on the back of recent significant investments by international financial institutions (HSBC, Bank of America, ...) in Chinese banks
- ✓ Another reference of the value of having a dual presence in China and Hong Kong is the recent announcement of China Merchant Bank's intentions to enter into the Hong Kong market

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### ... and increasingly connected to Latin America

#### China – Latin America Trade

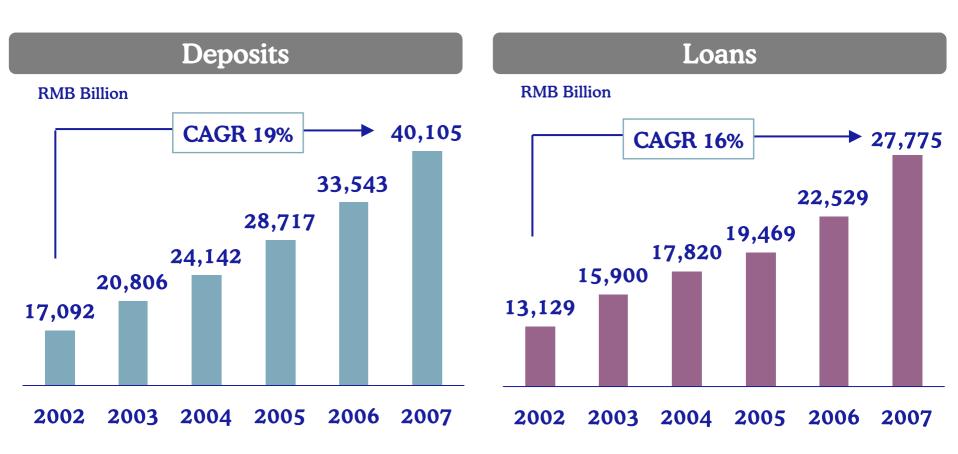


- ✓ Total trade between China and Latin America reached \$83 Bn in 2007.
- ✓ In real terms, exports from Latin America to China grew by 70% between 2006 and 2007.

Source: BBVA Economic Research

# Rapid development of the Chinese banking system in the last years

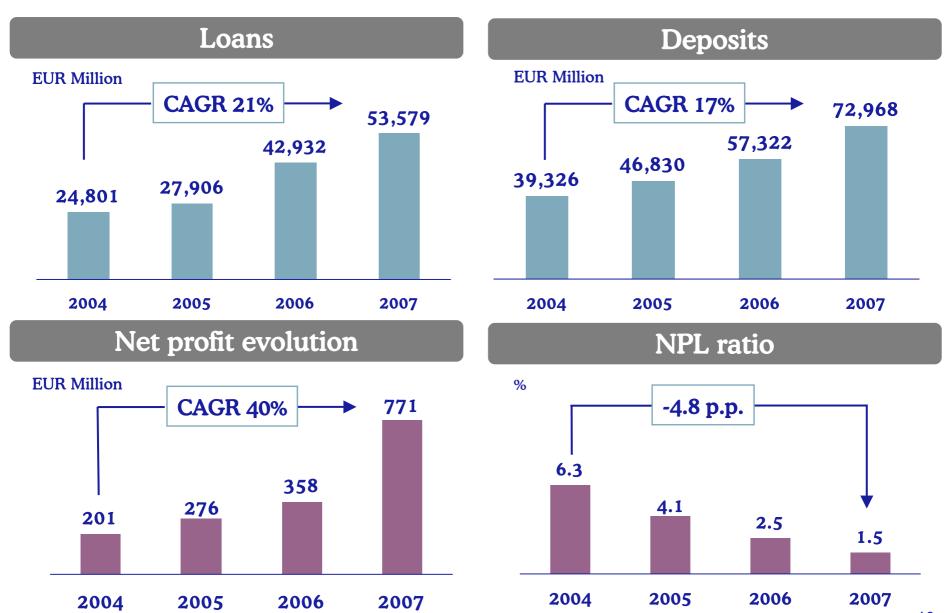




Chinese banks will continue to show strong business performance in the foreseeable future

## In this context, CNCB is an outstanding performer

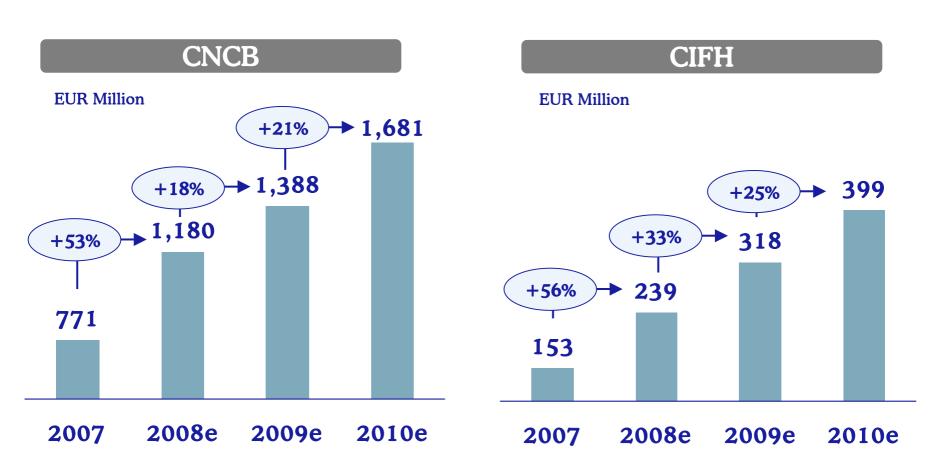




## Both CNCB and CIFH have very positive earnings prospects



#### Net attributable profit consensus estimates



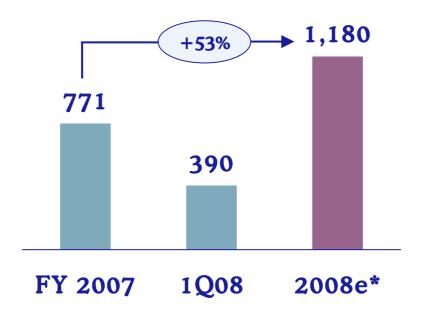
Source: IBES estimates as of May 2008

#### With an outstanding start of the year 2008



#### CNCB net attributable profit

**EUR Million** 



- ✓ 1Q08 profit more than half of full-year 2007 profit
- ✓ 1Q08 profit already more than one third of estimated full-year 2008 profit

## Summary of financial impacts to BBVA





- ✓ BBVA will fund the transaction with available resources.
- ✓ There is no need for specific funding plans.
- ✓ No additional capital required.
- ✓ Total impact on Tier I ratio of -31 bp, including both phase II and switching phase I to equity method.



# BBVA, creating short term value and enhanced future potential for its shareholders

- Strengthening the strategic alliance with CITIC Group
- 2 BBVA is able to capture <u>superior growth</u> opportunities in China with a limited financial investment
- EPS accretive for BBVA's shareholders from day one
- Expected return on investment well above cost of equity

Long term business opportunities with immediate earnings delivery



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