

## CEO Observations 3 Nov 2022



# 3Q business momentum sustained, asset quality resilient

#### Underlying loan growth strong

- Growth in non-trade corporate loans and mortgage faster than first two quarters
- Liquidity remains healthy
- Fee income stabilising
  - Wealth management and capital markets remain challenged due to market conditions
  - Underlying wealth management momentum strong with 9M net new money inflows doubling from year ago to S\$15b
  - Card fees continue to grow as travel picks up
- Asset quality resilient, prudent provisioning
  - New NPA formation remains low, significant upgrades and repayments this quarter; nevertheless, added S\$350m to GP overlays



# 2023 outlook

- Tail-risk scenario of high inflation and high rates playing out
  - Potential US recession, Asia slowdown
  - Upside from China opening up
- Loan pipeline remains healthy, can reach mid-single digit growth
  - Possible moderation in 4Q momentum due to lower onshore borrowing cost in China
- Double-digit fee income growth led by wealth management and cards
- NIM expected to reach around 2.25% by mid-2023 assuming Fed Funds Rate peaks at 4.75%
- Cost-income ratio below 40%
- ROE projected to be comfortably above 15%



## **Thank You**

