Abbreviations used in this report

AI	- Authorised institution	IA	- Insurance Authority
APEC	- Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation	IBRD	 International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
ATM	- Automated teller machine	IEC	•
BIS	- Bank for International Settlements	IFC	- International Finance Corporation
bn	- billion	IMF	- International Monetary Fund
bp	- basis point(s)	IPO	- Initial public offering
CCASS	- Central Clearing and Settlement System	IRR	- Interest Rate Rules
CCPI	- Composite Consumer Price Index	IT	- Information technology
CHATS	- Clearing House Automated Transfer System	ITIC	- International Trust and Investment Company
CMU	- Central Moneymarkets Unit	JETCO	- Joint Electronic Teller Company Limited
CSD	- Central Securities Depository	KSD	- Korea Securities Depository
DEM	– Deutschmark	MBS	- Mortgage-Backed Securitisation
DTC	- Deposit-Taking Companies	MPF	- Mandatory Provident Fund
DvP	- Delivery versus Payment	MOU	- Memorandum of Understanding
EERI	- Effective Exchange Rate Index	MIP	- Mortgage Insurance Programme
EFAC	Exchange Fund Advisory Committee	MTRC	- Mass Transit Railway Corporation
EFIL	- Exchange Fund Investment Limited	mn	- million
EFNs	- Exchange Fund Notes	NCD	- Negotiable certificate of deposit
EMEAP	- Executives' Meeting of East Asia and	NIP	- Note Issuance Programme
ENIEAF	Pacific Central Banks	OECD	- Organisation for Economic Co-operation
FATF	- Financial Action Task Force		and Development
GDP	- Gross Domestic Product	PBoC	- People's Bank of China
	(in real terms unless otherwise stated)	PvP	- Payment versus Payment
GITIC	 Guangdong International Trust and Investment Corporation 	RLB	- Restricted Licence Bank
LIIDOD	Hong Kong Interbank Offer Rate	ROA	- Return on assets
HIBOR		RMB	- Renminbi
HK	- Hong Kong	RTGS	- Real Time Gross Settlement
HKAB	- Hong Kong Association of Banks	SAR	- Special Administrative Region
HKICL	- Hong Kong Interbank Clearing Limited	SDDS	- Special Data Dissemination Standard
HKIMR	- Hong Kong Institute for Monetary Research	SEHK	- Stock Exchange of Hong Kong
HKMA	- Hong Kong Monetary Authority	SFC	- Securities and Futures Commission
HKMC	- Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited	SSAP	- Statement of Standard Accounting Practice
HKSAR	- Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	STET	- Submission Through Electronic Transmission
HLI	- Highly leveraged institution	UK	- United Kingdom
HSBC	 The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited 	US	- United States of America

