# Driving Sustainable Life Insurance Value Growth

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# **Sustained Improvement in Life Business Performance**



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2. Product strategy in the context of new regulations





Fundamental change in the past 10 years, with continuation of transformation & upgrade

2 Shift of value growth mode, with development underpinned by multiple drivers



# Since 2007, Life Business Has Experienced Fast Growth in Premium and Profit

- Gross written premium of life insurance for 2016 was 2.7 times that of 2007 when CPIC was first listed.
- Net profit of life insurance for 2016 was 1.9 times that for 2007 when CPIC was first listed.





# Value Composition of Life Business

Appraisal value, a measure of comprehensive strength of life insurers, mainly consists of EV and future NBV. NBV is a reflection of growth potential and sustainability.



#### **New Business Value**

Present value of distributable profits generated by new business over the entire insurance policy period.

#### Value of In-force Business

Present value of future profits on VIF at the date of evaluation, considering cost of required capital.

**Embedded Value** VIF+ adjusted net assets

#### **Appraisal Value**

EV + one year NBV x NBV multiple. The multiple is determined mainly by expected NBV growth in the future.



# Since 2007, Life Business Has Delivered Fast Growth in Embedded Value and New Business Value

- Between 2007 and 2016, the compound average growth of life insurance EV was 22%, and the EV in 2016 was 5.9 times that in 2007.
- Between 2007 and 2016, the compound average growth of life insurance NBV was 23%, and the NBV in 2016 was 6.3 times that in 2007.



Note: EV in 2015 and before was based on the old evaluation regime. EV in 2016 was based on C-ROSS. Unless otherwise indicated, the unit for all numbers is in RMB millions.



# Since 2007, NBV Margin Has Improved Considerably

NBV margin in 2016 was 3.8 times that in 2007. In particular, due to the strategy focusing on the agency channel and regular premium business, NBV margin improved tremendously between 2012 and 2016.



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# **Key Drivers of Life Insurance Value Growth**





# The Focus on Agency Channel Delivered Fundamental Change of Value Growth Mode

- Given our commitment to sustainable value growth, we focused on the agency business and regular premium which has higher margin and better sustainability.
- Because of the sustained business growth of agency channel and improved business mix, NBV margin increased from 13.6% in 2011 to 32.9% in 2016.

#### **Annualized Premium of New Business**

New Business Value Margin



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# "Road-Map" for Value Growth of Life Business





# **EV Movement Attribution Analysis an Effective Way to Monitor Business Performance**

**2016 EV Movement Attribution** 

unit: RMB million



Note: The switch into C-ROSS in 2016 had impact on EV.



# **Prudent Assumptions Help with Value Realization (1/2)**

- The actual investment yield of CPIC Life over the past 10 years exceeded the stable actuarial assumption.
- Since 2013, CPIC has strengthened asset liability management, resulting in more stable investment return as well as improved risk-return ratio.

Year	Net Investment Yield	Total Investment Yield
2007	5.7%	12.6%
2008	6.6%	4.3%
2009	4.2%	6.4%
2010	4.5%	5.3%
2011	4.7%	3.5%
2012	4.9%	3.5%
2013	5.1%	5.1%
2014	5.3%	6.1%
2015	5.1%	6.8%
2016	5.7%	5.4%
Average	5.2%	5.9%

### **Investment Yield of CPIC Life**



# **Prudent Assumptions Help with Value Realization (2/2)**

Small operational variance of CPIC Life over the past 10 years, with the average operational variance ratio from 2008 to 2016 of 0.03%.

**EV & Operational Variance Ratio** 



unit: RMB hundred million

#### Note: Operational variance ratio=operational variance/EV



# **Stability of Value under Various Pricing Scenarios**

- □ Interest rate risk is the major risk for long-term life insurance.
- Products with the same premium based on the same insurance liabilities but different pricing strategies have similar margin levels.
- Products with high pricing interest rates have a much smaller share of investment margin, but similar exposure to investment risk.
- A low pricing interest rate coupled with participating features is still a more prudent pricing strategy.





### A Vast Market Supports Multiple Pricing Strategies and Diverse Profit Sources

China is a huge insurance market with big potential.

 Difference in customers by geography, age, gender, income levels and educational background.

Diverse insurance needs from health, accident, pension to children education and death.

 Difference in profit mix by market segments and channels. Different customers have different priority in yields and protection.

High-end customers give priority to the diversity and flexibility of wealth management. Yields and customer experience are more important.

Mass market customers prefer simple products, with stable returns and a strong protection leverage. Different levels of yields and protection on different products.

"Consumer goods" products offer high level of protection for low premiums.

 Customers expect return of premiums for long-term protection products.

Customers for pension and children education funds care more about yields.



# Sources of Profit for Life Insurers - Diversity in Market and Products Provides Stable Sources of Profit (1/2)



### Sources of Profit for Life Insurers - Diversity in Market and Products Provides Stable Sources of Profit (2/2)







### Analysis of Value & Profit Sources of Life Business

- **1. Fundamental change in the past 10 years, with continuation of transformation & upgrade**
- 2. Shift of value growth mode, with development underpinned by multiple drivers

### Review of CPIC Life's Development Strategy & Outlook

- 1. Upholding protection as the key insurance value proposition to drive the growth of long-term protection business
- 2. Product strategy in the context of new regulations





Upholding protection as the key insurancevalue proposition to drive the growth oflong-term protection business





# Sustainable Development of Life Business Driven by the Balance of Value, Profit and Solvency





**Business Overview** 

# Life Business Achieved Sustained Value and Profit **Growth with Strong & Stable Solvency**

Adhering to business philosophy of "centering on customer needs, staying focused on insurance and pursuing sustainable value growth". Consistent focus on long-term protection (LTP) business which has higher quality and more sustainability, leading to sustained value and profit growth and strong solvency.



#### New Business Value

### **Business Mix a Key Driver of New Business Value Growth**





### Long-term Protection Business Grows Rapidly, with Increased Share of New Business Premium

Given our commitment to protection as the key insurance value proposition, first-year premium growth from LTP business in 2016 was as high as 70%, and its share increased from 10% in 2011 to 36% in 2016.



Note: Long-term protection business consists of whole life insurance, term insurance, long-term A/H insurance, which, among others, include products like *Anxingbao, Chaonengbao* and *Aiwuyou*. Savings business is composed of endowment and annuity insurance. Long-term is defined as a pay duration of 10 years and above, and short-term less than 10 years. Short-term insurance includes short-term A/H.

# Diversified Offerings of Long-term Protection Business, with Improved Product Line-up

LTP product line-up continues to diversify. A product system providing comprehensive protection for death, accident and critical illnesses has been taking shape, with products such as *Jinyou*, *Anxingbao*, *Aiwuyou* and *Chaonengbao*.



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### **Continued Growth of Regular Premium Business, with Longer Average Pay Duration**

Given sustained growth of regular premium business, pay duration of 10 years and above as a share of FYP increased from 16% in 2011 to 43% in 2016, with an average duration of 8 years in 2016.





### Fast Increase in Effective Sum Assured, with Higher Levels of Protection for Customers

Fast increase in effective sum assured (SA) on long-term business, with higher levels of protection for customers. As at the end of 2016, total effective SA on in-force long-term business amounted to 7.3 trillion, with average SA per customer of nearly 200,000.





## **NBV Margin on LTP Business Considerably Higher**

- Given its higher NBV margin, LTP business is a major contributor to overall NBV.
- **LTP** business as a share of NBV increased sharply.

#### **NBV Margin on LTP Business**

#### LTP Business as a Share of NBV





# Rapid Development of LTP Business Leads to Strong NBV Growth and Steady Margin Improvement

Given continued business mix improvement, rapid development of LTP business, longer pay duration, as well as much higher levels of protection, the 5-year average compound NBV growth reached 23%, with NBV margin improving by 3.9 pt annually.



Note: NBV from 2011 to 2015 was based on the previous evaluation regime as disclosed by annual reports, and NBV for 2016 on C-ROSS

# **Factors Impacting Accounting Profits**





### **Residual Margin Amortization as the Main Source of Profit**

- Profits cannot be booked at the time of underwriting, hence the residual margin as reserves, which is to be released as profits over time.
- Residual margin amortization is the main source of profit, determined mainly by the quality and volume of the business.





# A Big Residual Margin on VIF Constitutes a Stable Source of Future Accounting Profits

The compound growth rate of residual margin for the past 5 years reaches 21%. As at the end of 2016, the residual margin stood at 172.6 billion, constituting a stable source of future accounting profits. Of this, the share of protection business reached 63%.





# Fast Growth of Residual Margin on New Policies of Long-term Business

On the back of new business growth and increased share of LTP business, residual margin on new policies of long-term business saw fast growth, with steady improvement of new premium margin (residual margin/ FYP) over the years.





# Realized Vast Sum of Profits, with Continuous Growth over the Years Excluding the Impact of Discount Rate Curve Movement

- Accumulated net profit of 40.1 billion over the past 6 years. Reached a new high in 2013 and afterwards.
- Operating profit, which strips out the impact of discount rate curve movement, is a better measure of underlying business performance. In recent years, operating profit grows steadily, with the compound growth rate of 44% in the past 5 years.



### A Strong Capital Position, with Comprehensive Solvency Margin Ratio of 267%, and Core Solvency Margin Ratio of 265% Q1 2017

- Strong and stable solvency margin ratios, with resilience in the context of lower interest rate and capital market volatility.
- 2017 Q1 solvency margin ratio rose significantly due to large volume of new business, and in particular, rapid growth of highly profitable LTP business like *Jinyou*.



#### Solvency Margin Ratio under C-ROSS



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# Strong solvency margin ratio on new business, being self-sufficient in capital needs

- Solvency margin ratio on new business of Q1 2017 under C-ROSS reached 248%, being self-sufficient in capital needs.
  - New business contributed actual capital of 31.6 billion.
  - New business consumed required capital of 12.7 billion.
  - Solvency margin on new business amounted to 18.9 billion.

#### **Solvency Margin on New Business**

#### First-year Solvency Margin Ratios on New Business of Major Products





Note: The required capital of new business does not consider the aggregation effect with in-force business.

unit: RMB hundred million

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Product strategy in the context of new regulations



# A Raft of New Regulations Released Recently

Since April, CIRC has released multiple new rules to tackle 9 types of risks and 8 kinds of irregularities, aiming to enhance the effectiveness of the regulatory regime.





# **Deviation from Core Value Proposition of Insurance Becomes Key Targets of Regulatory Scrutiny**

#### **Products deviate from core value proposition of insurance**

The sales pitch emphasizing investment portfolios and investment returns, misleading consumers. Return of premiums right after the cooling-off period, and wording the payment of living benefit as discount.

Key Areas of Regulation

#### Product design not incompatible with product nature

Some universal products only allow single premium payment without top-ups. Some insurers adjust investments on unit-linked products to accommodate a fixed return and advertise guaranteed returns mis-leading consumers.

#### Product liabilities not aligned with product nature

The payment of survival benefits of some long-term care products is not preconditioned on whether long-term care is provided. Some group medical insurance products are designed in such a way that the benefits are paid up to the limit of premiums paid, only offering investment services.



### **CIRC Document No. 134 Aims to Rationalize Product Development**

CIRC Notice on Enhancing Regulation of Product Development of Life Insurance Companies (CIRC Document No. 134) strives to rationalize insurer' s product development and prevent operation risks.

#### **3 Principles**

Be consumer needs oriented

Guided by the laws of insurance

Take into consideration China's realities and industry development

#### **7** Requirements for **Rectification**

The first payment of survival benefit shall be at least 5 years after policy issuance, and shall not exceed 20% of paid premiums.

Universal and unit-linked insurance shall not be sold as riders.

Survival benefit of long-term care insurance shall only be paid when the insured requires care and assistance for daily life.

Survival benefit of disability insurance shall be conditioned upon the loss of the ability to work.

Premiums of group medical insurance shall only be used for payment of medical liabilities.

The term "wealth management" shall not be included in the name/ manual/handbook/promotional materials of insurance products.

Promotional materials shall clearly state that it is an "insurance product portfolio".

#### **Encourage the Development** of 4 Types of Products

Term life and whole-life products □Long-term annuity products Health insurance products Customized niche products

#### Deadline

**□**Finish self-assessment and rectification of all the products already approved by or filed with the CIRC by October 1 2017.



# New Regulations on Product Design Conducive to Long-term Healthy Development of Life Industry

#### **Impact on Product Supply**

Starting from October 1, supply of short-term investment-oriented products will shrink considerably, while the investment element of long-term products would weaken.
Protection business is encouraged, prompting insurers to expand the supply.

Overall Impact of New Product Regulations

#### Better Protection of Consumer Rights

Mis-selling would be effectively curbed, with consumers more rational.
More diversified and differentiated product offerings, better satisfying needs for risk protection.

Consumers turn to other channels for investment.

#### More Disciplined Behaviors

Major impact on platform insurers, which heavily depend on mid-andshort-duration products like universal insurance.

#### **Conducive to Long-term Industry Development**

■ Shifts in products and clampdown on mis-selling will prompt the industry to focus on its key value proposition, helping to improve industry image and being positive to its long-term healthy development.





# **Future Product Strategy in Response to New Regulations**



Revamp the survival benefit of *Dongfanghong* product design (featuring fast return of premiums) to focus on the long-term accumulation and provision of survival benefit and annuity.



Abide by regulatory rules to rectify fastreturn-of-premium products and universal life riders.



Revise the universal riders (*Guanjia* series) to allow flexible premiums top-up and adjustment of sum assured.

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Promote protection products to strengthen the core value proposition of insurance.



Focus on provision of death benefit, develop term life products with differentiated pricing based on the insured's health conditions (smoking, life style, etc.).







