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1. Economic Situation

Overview of the World Economic Outlook Projections

			Current Pr		
	2002	2003	2004	2005	
World Output	3.0	3.9	4.6	4.4	
Advanced economies	1.7	2.1	3.5	3.1	
United Stated	2.2	3.1	4.6	3.9	
Euro Area	0.9	0.4	1.7	2.3	
Japan	-0.3	2.7	3.4	1.9	
United Kingdom	1.7	2.3	3.5	2.5	
Developing Asia	6.4	7.8	7.4	7.0	
China	8.0	9.1	8.5	8.0	
India	4.7	7.4	6.8	6.0	
ASEAN-41	4.3	5.0	5.4	5.4	

Note: Real effective exchange rates are assumed to remain constant at the levels prevailing during February 13 - March 12, 2004.

¹ Includes Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Thailand.
Source: World Economic Outlook, IMF, April 2004

Exports of the East Asian economies to Mainland China 1998-2003

	Value in US\$ bn		Average annual	Share (%)		
	<u>1998</u>	<u>2003</u>	growth rate (%)	<u>1998</u>	<u>2003</u>	
East Asia	102.6	237.3	18.3	9.2	16.3	
Japan	20.0	57.3	23.4	5.2	12.2	
Hong Kong	59.8	95.4	9.8	34.4	42.6	
Singapore	4.1	10.1	20.1	3.7	7.0	
South Korea	11.9	35.1	24.1	9.0	18.1	
Taiwan	0.8	21.4	91.4	0.8	14.9	
Indonesia	1.8	3.8	15.6	3.8	6.2	
Malaysia	2.0	6.4	26.5	2.7	6.1	
Philippines	0.3	2.1	44.2	1.2	6.0	
Thailand	1.8	5.7	26.4	3.2	7.1	

Source: Mr. Frederick Ma's speech, Developing Asia's Bond Market: Fostering Financial Stability and Enhancing Economic Development

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1. Economic Situation

Asian Region

- Fast-growing
- More investment for growth

Challenges

- Can our capital market be the source of finance for future regional economic development?
- What are the reforms needed?

Financing Structure of Asian Economies and Selected Countries in 1995 and 2003

		1995				2003	
Country/	Bank	Stock	Bond		Bank	Stock	Bond
Economy	Loans	Market	Market		Loans	Market	Market
	As % of total financing						
Hong Kong	39.6	55.6	4.8		23.3	69.7	7.0
Indonesia	60.2	38.0	1.7		42.9	51.3	5.8
Korea	44.6	29.4	26.1		45.7	23.9	30.4
Malaysia	22.4	65.3	12.4		29.7	47.9	22.4
Philippines	30.1	64.9	4.9		47.9	47.3	4.7
Singapore	31.5	60.0	8.4		32.5	47.5	20.0
Taiwan	62.9	31.2	5.9		42.5	43.1	14.4
Thailand	50.8	43.9	5.3		38.3	40.2	21.5
Total	45.0	44.5	10.6		36.8	44.6	18.5
United States	21.1	30.4	48.5		19.5	33.2	47.2

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2. Bond Market

Regional Level

- Asia Cooperation Dialogue
- APEC Finance Ministers
- ASEAN+3

National Level

- To promote liquidity and retail participation.
- Hong Kong's first securitized bond.

Securitization (HK experience)

Background:

HKD 6 billions bond by securitizing HKSAR government's revenue from 5 tolled tunnels and 1 bridge in 05/2004.

Reserved Fund:

A reserve account in the name of issuer HKD 0.4 billion to support the bond issue.

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Securitization (HK experience)

Institution investors: HKD 3.53 billion

- Maturity 1-year and 12-year
- Coupon rate: 1.19% and HIBOR+36 basis point
- Oversubscription: 3.1 times
- 1-year mainly subscribed by fund managers, pension fund managers and MPF.
- 12-year mainly subscribed by financial institutions (banks).

Securitization (HK experience)

Retail investors: HKD 2.47 billion

- Maturity: 3-year, 5-year and 7-year
- Coupon rate: 3.185%, 4.128% and 4.803%
- Oversubscription: 2.13 times
- Domination: HKD 50,000
- Listed on the Exchange

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3. Future Challenges

Capital markets with sufficient depth is achievable.

- High saving rate in Asia
- Strong economic growth
- Regional cooperation

4. Quality Market

A good regulatory framework

- Information transparency
- Corporate governance
- Investor education

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Thank you