

# FY2021 Results Analyst and Media Briefing (Virtual)

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# FY2021

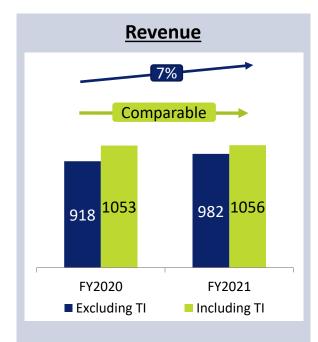
### Financial Highlights and Performance

Ng Yao Loong, Chief Financial Officer

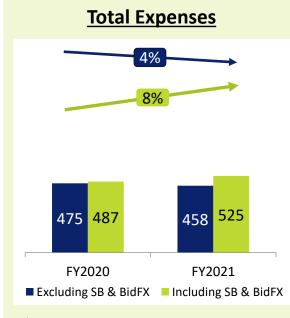


### **FY2021 Highlights**

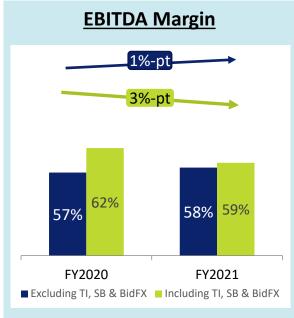
#### Strong underlying performance, continued investments in growth, disciplined in cost management



- ✓ Excluding Treasury Income (TI), revenue up 7% year-on-year
- ✓ Group revenue \$1.06B, comparable



- Excluding recently-acquired SB and BidFX, total expenses declined 4% year-on-year
- ✓ Group total expenses \$525M, up 8%

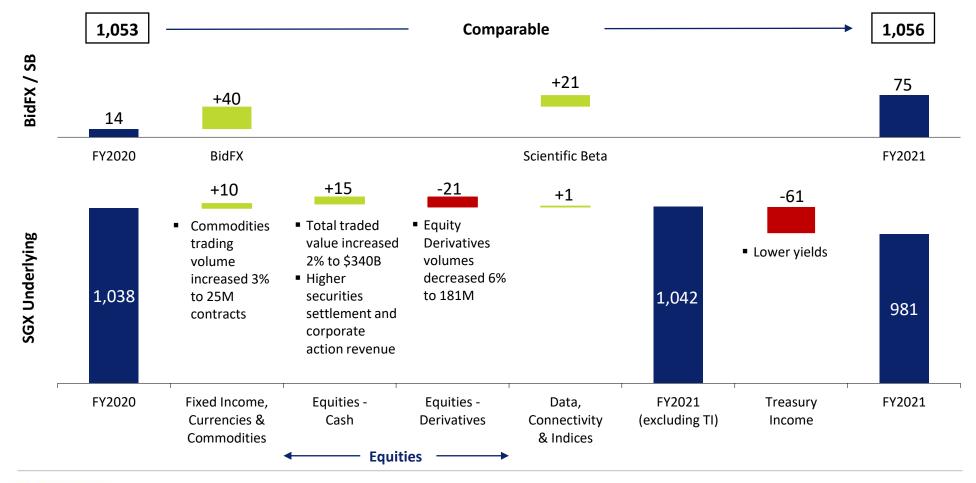


- Excluding TI and recentlyacquired SB and BidFX, EBITDA margins would have increased 1%-pt
- ✓ Group EBITDA margins down 3%pts to 59%



### FY2021 Revenue comparable at \$1,056M

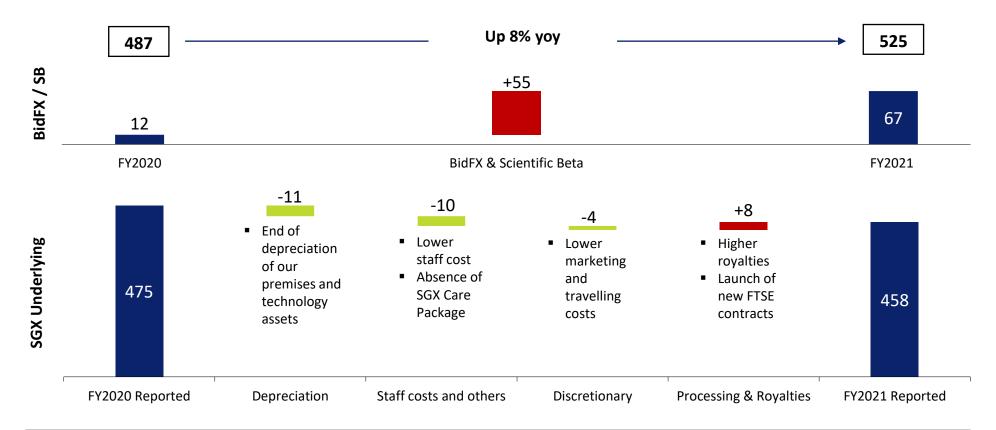
- Average securities clearing fee of 2.68 bps, comparable
- Average fee per contract for Equity, Currency and Commodity derivatives of \$1.34, comparable





### FY2021 Total Expenses up 8% to \$525M

- Excluding BidFX and SB, underlying expenses would have decreased 4% to \$458M
- FY2021 adjusted expenses¹ was \$12M lower than reported expenses after excluding amortisation of purchased intangibles, acquisition-related expenses and other one-off costs



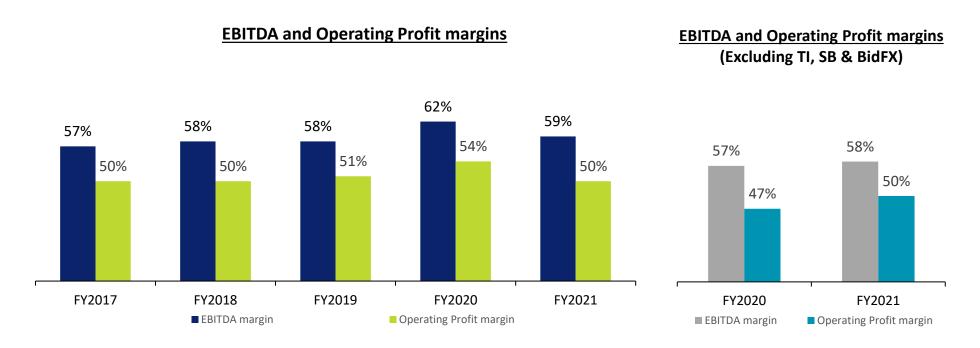


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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Adjusted figures presented are non-SFRS(I) measures. Please refer to Section 8 of our financial results for reconciliations between the adjusted and their equivalent measures

### Underlying business continues to deliver operating leverage

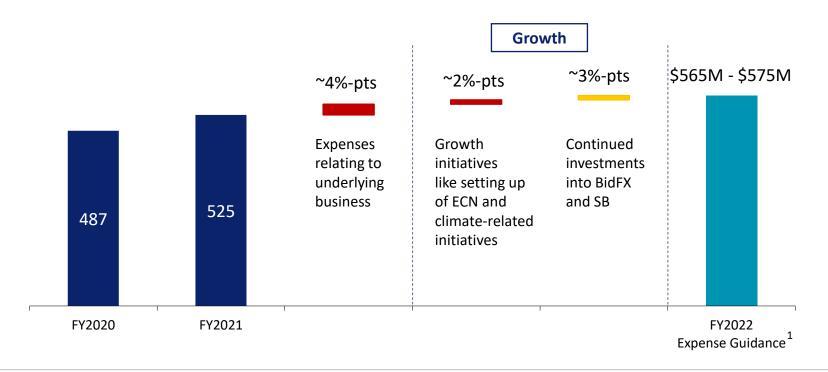
- Excluding Treasury Income, SB and BidFX, EBITDA and operating profit margins would have increased by 1%-pts and 2%-pts, respectively
  - FY2021 EBITDA margin of SB and BidFX combined was 37%<sup>1</sup>
- Overall EBITDA and operating profit margins expected to be higher in the medium term as we build scale





### Expense for FY2022 expected to be \$565M-\$575M

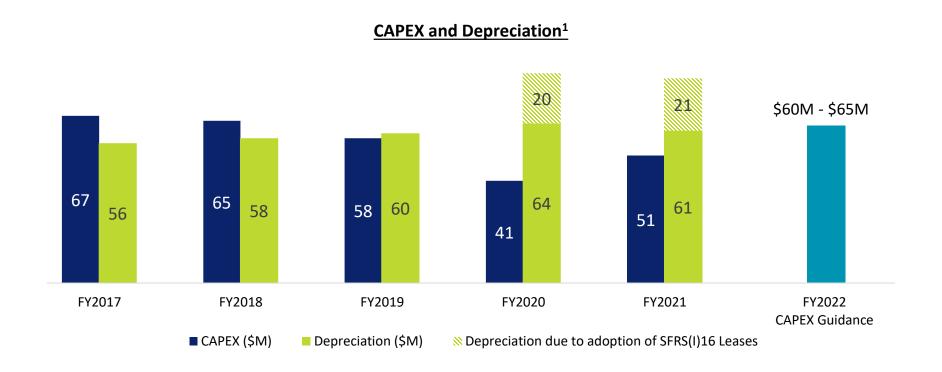
- Excluding SB and BidFX, underlying expense CAGR (FY2020-22) expected to be ~1.5%
- More than 50% of FY2022 increase in expenses will be for near-term investments in growing our business
  - Include setting up of FX ECN, climate-related initiatives, and continued investments in SB and BidFX
- FY2022 expense guidance excludes MaxxTrader acquisition, which is expected to close in 2Q FY2022
  - Expect to add a further ~\$25M to FY2022 expenses on an annualised basis
- Expense growth expected to moderate in the medium-term





### **CAPEX to support our growth ambitions**

- FY2021 CAPEX of \$51M was mainly to upgrade our Titan OTC platform, digitalise retail investor services, modernise our infrastructure, and infrastructure setup for BidFX
- FY2022 CAPEX is expected to be between \$60M-\$65M as we invest in resilience, digitalisation of our Fixed Income and FX markets, and partnership initiatives



#### Additional financial measures

- FY2021 EBITDA and NPAT are comparable with adjusted metrics
- Key non-operating adjustments include a \$16.7M remeasurement gain from initial equity interest in BidFX, offset by a \$9.6M contingent consideration for BidFX earnout

	FY2	FY2021	
(S\$'M)	EBITDA	NPAT <sup>1</sup>	
EBITDA / NPAT	625.2	445.4	
Net remeasurement gains on BidFX	-	(16.7)	
Additional earnout contingent consideration for BidFX	-	9.6	
Amortisation of purchased intangibles	-	13.1	
Other adjustments <sup>2</sup>	(1.4)	(4.5)	
Adjusted EBITDA / NPAT	623.9	446.9	

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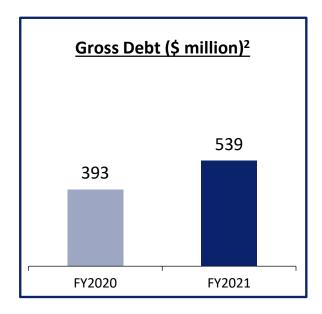
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes non-recurring staff related credits, acquisition-related expenses, income tax adjustments, non-controlling interests and net gains or losses from long-term investments. Please refer to Section 8 of our financial results for the full reconciliation between the adjusted and their equivalent measures.

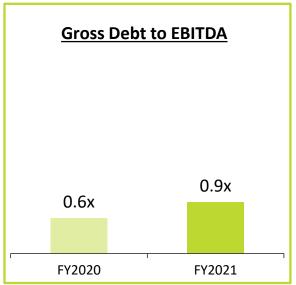


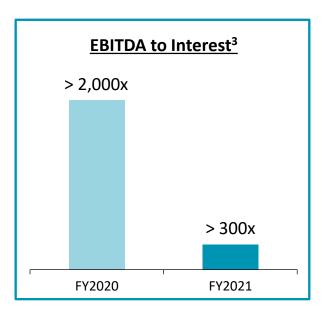
 $<sup>^{1}\,\</sup>mbox{NPAT}$  relates to 'Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company'

### Strong balance sheet with healthy coverage ratios

 Assuming MaxxTrader acquisition<sup>1</sup> is financed solely by debt, Gross Debt to EBITDA increases to ~1.1x







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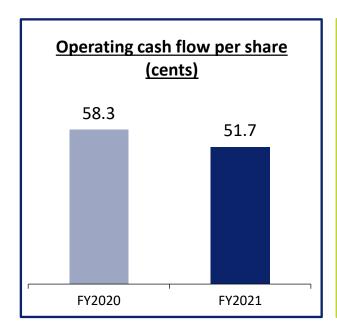
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on cash consideration of US\$125M, which excludes performance-based earnout

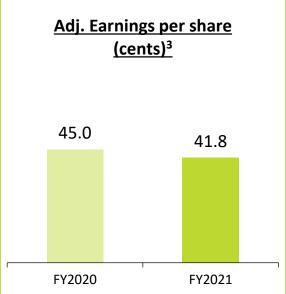
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Gross debt include both borrowings and lease liabilities

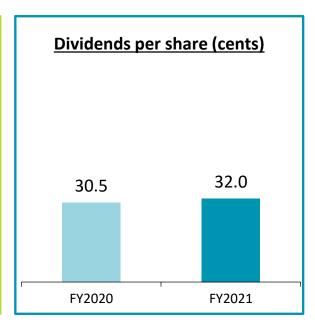
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> EBITDA less rental expenses: Only cash interest is taken into account

### **Delivering shareholder returns**

- Proposed final quarterly dividend of 8.0 cents<sup>1</sup> per share, bringing total dividend for FY2021 to 32.0 cents<sup>1</sup>, an increase of 5% from FY2020
- We will be putting in place a scrip dividend scheme<sup>2</sup> to give shareholders the option to:
  - re-invest their cash dividends in SGX shares; and
  - participate in SGX's medium term growth journey







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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subject to shareholders' approval at the forthcoming AGM on 7 October 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For the avoidance of doubt, the scrip dividend scheme does not apply to the proposed 4Q FY2021 dividend. Implementation date will be announced in due course.

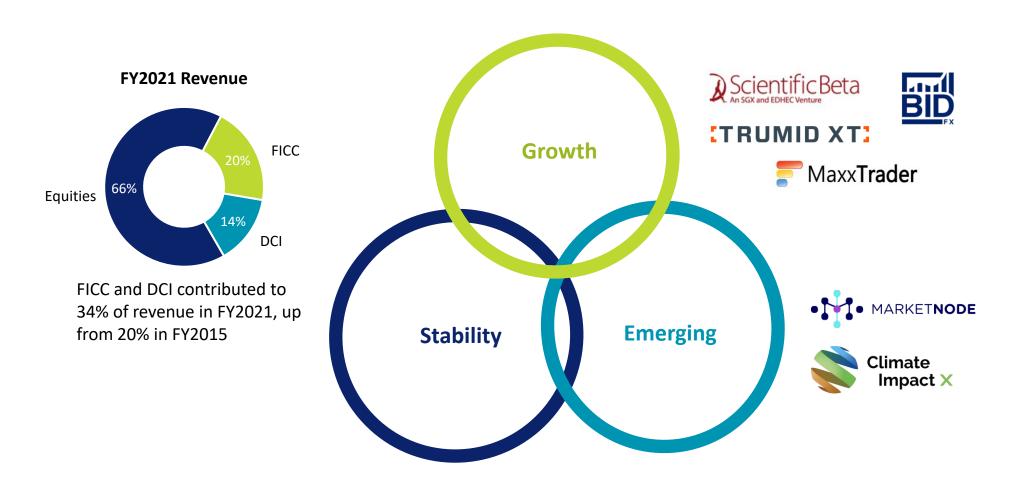
# **Business Update**

Loh Boon Chye, Chief Executive Officer



### Advancing SGX as a leading international multi-asset exchange

Combination of strong core businesses, growth engines and emerging opportunities

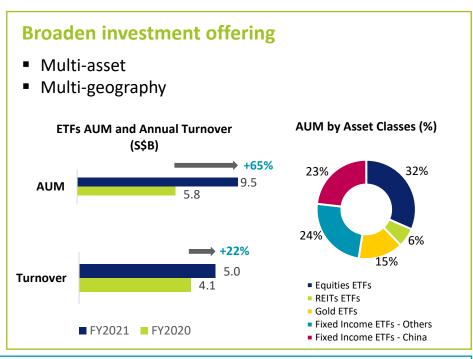




### **Enhancing the quality of cash equities market**

- Non-REITs listings in FY2021 displayed sustained post-IPO performance
- Record year for ETFs, with AUM<sup>1</sup> nearing S\$10B; new China-themed and fixed income ETFs<sup>2</sup>





#### **Expand participant groups**

Market makers and active traders

Singapore and regional investors

#### Provide new and enhanced post-trade services

**Electronic Corporate Actions** 

Securities Lending & Borrowing enhancement



<sup>1.</sup> Assets under management

<sup>2.</sup> New ETFs launched in FY21: ICBC CSOP FTSE Chinese Govt Bond Index ETF, Phillip SGD Money Market ETF, NikkoAM-ICBCSG China Bond ETF, Lion-OCBC Securities Hang Seng TECH ETF

<sup>3.</sup> Up to 30 June 2021

### Leader for pan-Asian derivatives

- Strong performance in a year of transition
- Competitive advantage from our strong network and portfolio effects
- Continually enhance our platform offering, including risk management solutions for ESG portfolios





### **Becoming Asia's largest integrated FX platform**

- Significant FX volume at US\$75B average daily volume (ADV)<sup>1</sup>
- Further invest in setting up a FX Electronic Communication Network (ECN) to scale our FX franchise;
   targeted launch by end CY2021

# SGX is largest and most liquid FX derivatives exchange in Asia

#### Exchange of choice

- Best FX exchange in Asia at FX Market Awards 2020
- Best Exchange for FX at FX Markets eFX Awards 2020
- Open interest and volume records

#### Broadening product shelf

- USD/SGD and KRW/USD full-sized futures
- USD/INR quanto futures and options
- USD/CNH mini futures

#### **Expanding to OTC FX**



- Enhanced system workflow and new functionalities for key client segments; new innovative products
- Growth in client acquisition in APAC and EMEA



- Leading provider of FX pricing and risk solutions for sell-side institutions, and a multi-dealer platform for buyside clients
- Global client and dealer franchisee
- Positive momentum with ADV > US\$17B (January - June 2021)

1. Based on ADV for SGX FX Futures, BidFX and MaxxTrader for the period January - June 2021



### **Expanding solutions from Asia's only global index provider**

- Bespoke index solutions and ESG products gathering momentum
- Accelerate new product development through Scientific Beta's research pedigree

#### **Enabling scalable growth with IP-based offerings**



SB assets under replication (AUR) > US\$60 billion<sup>1</sup> and growing





#### **Regional distribution**

- Unlock customer segments beyond asset owners to include ETF issuers, private banks and investment banks with SGX's client footprint
- Launch ETFs and structured products based on index solutions

#### **Custom indices and calculations**

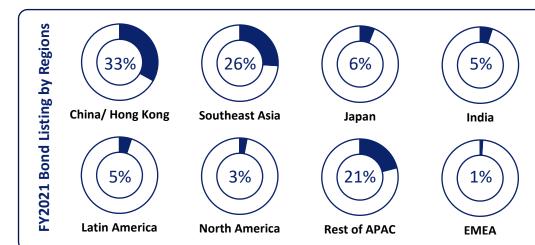
Continued strong demand for 3rd party custom index calculation; supported by in-house calculation platform

1. As of June 2021



### Developing digital fixed income marketplace covering full lifecycle

- Wide geographical diversity of bond listings
- Develop end-to-end digital fixed income marketplace for enhanced workflow and customer experience



- A GLOBAL EXCHANGE FOR ASIAN BONDS
   Asia's most global bond listing venue with over

   85% of outstanding issuances originated from outside Singapore
- DIVERSIFIED ISSUER PROFILES
   Issuers from more than 60 diverse industries
- LEADING MARKET SHARE
- ~ 44% market share in G3 APAC market share

#### **Digital primary workflows**



JV for digital asset primary issuance, post trade and asset servicing

### Global access to Asian ESG bond data



East-West data partnership with Nasdaq Sustainable Bond Network covering Green, Social, Sustainability fixed income securities

### Global access to Asian bonds

#### TRUMID XT:

JV to enhance liquidity / execution in the Asian bond trading market via Trumid XT

#### **Digital post-trade**





Partnerships to strengthen post-trade connectivity with global CSDs / ICSDs for Singapore-based settlement

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### Leading the way in sustainability to build a resilient future

- Our vision: A leading capital and trading hub enabling sustainable finance and credible transitions with end-to-end products, solutions and ecosystem
- First Asian exchange to commit to 1.5°C-aligned science-based emission reduction targets

#### Corporates and investors are embarking on a decarbonisation path1

- 1. Measure carbon footprint, and understand key risks and opportunities
- 2. Set emission reduction targets
- 3. Reduce absolute emissions footprint
- 4. Neutralise unavoidable residual emissions
- **5. Compensate** Year-on-Year (YoY)
- **6. Disclose** progress

#### ... leading to new opportunities



**Debt financing Equity financing** 

- GSSS bonds<sup>2</sup>
- Infrastructure/decarbonisation funds



Renewable energy certificates • EMC PowerSelect platform **Carbon credits** 

- Climate Impact X



**Investment and risk** management solutions

- Climate Impact Consistent Indices
- Derivatives
- Exchange traded funds and other products



**Data solutions** 

- Nasdag Sustainable Bond Network partnership
- ESG data portal

- 1. Credible decarbonisation and transition for corporates in Asia, SGX, 11 June 2021
- 2. Green, social, sustainability and sustainability-linked



### Looking ahead ...



- Well-poised to help our customers capture growth opportunities in Asia and capitalise on trends
  - Becoming Asia's largest integrated FX platform
  - Developing digital fixed income marketplace covering full lifecycle
  - Leading capital and trading hub enabling sustainable finance and credible transitions with end-to-end products,
     solutions and ecosystem
- We will continue to invest in scaling our businesses, while maintaining cost discipline



## **Questions and Answers Panel**

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Ng Yao Loong, Chief Financial Officer

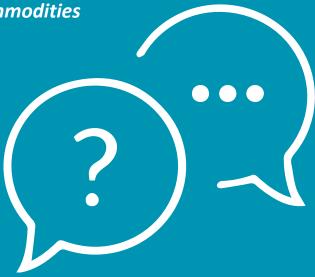
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