



China CITIC Bank International named Bond Connect "Northbound Outstanding Commercial Bank" for three years in a row and this year also a "Primary Market Pioneer"

(Hong Kong: 25 July 2022) China CITIC Bank International Limited (the "Bank" or "CNCBI") takes pleasure in announcing that the Bank topped the list of "Northbound Outstanding Commercial Banks" in the Bond Connect Awards 2022 organised by Bond Connect Company Limited ("BCCL"). The Bank has been named a "Northbound Outstanding Commercial Bank" for the third consecutive year in the Bond Connect Awards and this year received also a "Primary Market Pioneer Award".

Mr Chao Li, Head of Global Markets, China CITIC Bank International Limited, said, "On the back of CNCBI's outstanding investment and trading capability in addition to the strong support from affiliated companies under the roof of ultimate parent the CITIC Group, CNCBI's bond business has been highly praised and widely recognised by the market, industry and customers. We are pleased to be named "Northbound Outstanding Commercial Bank" again on this special occasion of CNCBI's 100th anniversary and the 5th anniversary of Bond Connect's launch. With our persistent BELIEF, TRUST from customers and unparalleled CONFIDENCE rooted in our "Grow Together, Trust Forever" spirit, CNCBI will seize the development opportunity from the interconnectivity between the mainland China and overseas bond markets as well as RMB internationalisation, to expand related business by exploiting both on- and offshore bond markets and our regional advantages."

Since becoming a Bond Connect offshore investor, the Bank has strengthened it business foundation by expanding the number of trading counterparties and increasing transaction channels on the back of the support and guidance from the CITIC Group. CNCBI has been actively tapping opportunities for trading various bonds and participating in the Bond Connect (Northbound) secondary market. CNCBI's trading counterparties now encompass major onshore financial institutations such as large-sized commercial banks, joint-stock commercial banks and securities companies while the types of transaction have been extended to interbank deposits, local government bonds and policy financial bonds.

Adhering to an innovative spirit led by a focus on technology, CNCBI is committed to enhancing efficiency and customer experience by developing and tapping new digital channels. In July 2022, CNCBI completed an interbank cross-border primary bond subscription with onshore major institutions via the BCCL's international electronic bond issuance system "ePrime", joining the first batch of "Offshore Investors Onboarded to ePrime for Northbound Primary Service" and becoming one of the "Offshore Investors Participation in Northbound Primary Service". Via ePrime, the Bank also issued in 2021 its USD 600 million Basel III Compliant Undated Non-Cumulative Subordinated Additional Tier 1 Capital Securities with a fixed initial distribution rate of 3.25% and eight-time oversubscription at the peak with more than 125 accounts participating in the bookbuilding process, setting the final pricing at the lowest yield among all Greater China bank AT1 capital issuances in history. Through expansion of investment channels by taking the opportunities brought forth by new policies and the use of FinTech tools, the Bank further facilitates the diversified development of cross-border bond investment, and contributes invalueable market experiences in cross-border finance to the market.

China CITIC Bank International Limited - "Grow Together Trust Forever"

China CITIC Bank International Limited ("CNCBI") is 75%-owned by CITIC International Financial Holdings Limited, which in turn is a wholly-owned subsidiary of China CITIC Bank Corporation Limited.

CNCBI's footprint in Greater China includes 24 branches and two business banking centres in Hong Kong, as well as presence in Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen and Macau. CNCBI also has overseas branches in New York, Los Angeles and Singapore. By providing value-creating financial solutions to define and exceed both wealth management and international business objectives of Greater China and overseas customers, CNCBI aspires to be "the best integrated financial services provider", with the highest international standards and capabilities.

"Grow Together Trust Forever" – China CITIC Bank International Limited has grown together with its employees, customers and partners through 100 glorious years since 1922. Your trust strengthens our perpetual belief, gives us confidence and continues to be our infinite pursuit. With that, we will walk with you and move further into the future together.

More information about CNCBI can be found on its website at www.cncbinternational.com.

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