



**INTERNATIONAL RESERVES: COMPOSITION AND
PERFORMANCE AS OF DECEMBER 2013**

At the end of December 2013, gross international reserves (GIR) amounted to USD 65 710 million, USD 613 million lower than the previous month. Its composition by asset class was as follows:

GROSS INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (millions of US\$)		
Asset	29.11.2013	31.12.2013
Deposits abroad	9 427,2	10 045,5
Securities	53 508,8	52 214,7
Gold	1 393,1	1 339,0
Others <u>1/</u>	1 994,3	2 111,1
TOTAL	66 323,4	65 710,3

1/ Includes subscriptions of capital to FLAR and credit balances from ALADI.

The value of liquid international assets (see glossary) reached USD 63 754 million, showing the following composition in terms of maturity and credit risk:

Term to maturity	Dec.31- 2013	Long term rating	Dec.31- 2013
0-3 months	33%	AAA	60%
3-12 months	21%	AA+ / AA / AA-	26%
>1 year	46%	A+ / A / A-	14%

The Net International Position at the end of December 2013 reached US\$ 41 097 million.

Currencies	Dec. 31-2013
US\$	67%
Other Currencies	30%
Gold	3%

The effective exposure to U.S. dollars in the Net International Position reached 67%, while other currencies and gold accounted for 30% and 3% respectively.

The duration of the portfolio was 1,04 years at the end of December.

ANNEX 1: GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Gross International Reserves (GIR).- Central Bank's GIR¹ are composed mainly of deposits in foreign banks, foreign securities and bonds, gold holdings and any other internationally recognized means of payments such as coins and bills. It also includes subscriptions to international organizations, and the credit balance from the financial agreement signed with other Latin-American central banks as part of the Asociación Latinoamericana de Integración, ALADI².

Net International Position.- Central Bank's Net International Position is the difference of assets and liabilities in foreign exchange, both internationally and with residents. These assets could be diversified by currencies and gold.

Liquid International Assets.- Assets which can be easily negotiated in the international financial markets. They are the result of excluding from the GIR subscriptions of capital to international financial organizations, such as Fondo Latinoamericano de Reservas (FLAR), IMF's Reserve Tranche Position and fiduciary funds, credit balances from ALADI, and holdings of gold in Central Bank of Peru's vaults.

¹ The concept used by the Central Bank is consistent with the paragraph 424 of the Manual of the Balance of Payments, IMF, 5th Edition.

² For historical series, see [http://www.bcrp.gob.pe/Statistics/Weekly Report Charts/ 25 "Concepts of international liquidity of the Central Bank of Peru"](http://www.bcrp.gob.pe/Statistics/Weekly%20Report%20Charts/25%20Concepts%20of%20international%20liquidity%20of%20the%20Central%20Bank%20of%20Peru).