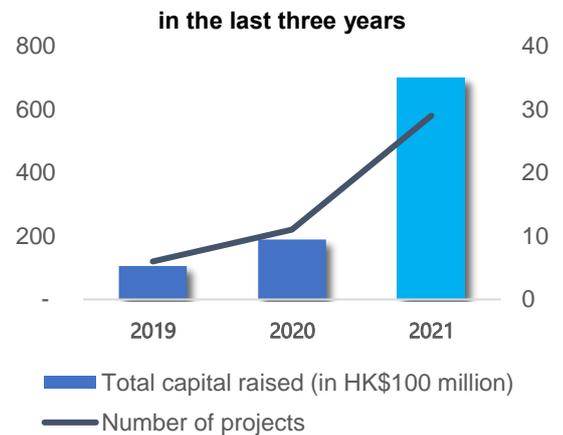


GTJAI Hits Record High in its Green Bond Business in 2021 with Total Size Exceeding HK\$70 Billion

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[20 January 2022, Hong Kong] Guotai Junan International Holdings Limited ("Guotai Junan International", "GTJAI", the "Company" or the "Group", Stock Code: 1788.HK) announced that the Company participated in the underwriting of 29 Green Bonds and Sustainability Bonds in 2021, representing an increase of 164% Year-over-Year ("YOY"), while the total fundraising amounted to HK\$70.1 billion, representing an increase of nearly 271% YOY. In recent years, the Company actively responded to the call from National's policies. Leveraging on its quality and diversified financial services, Guotai Junan International guided the global capital into green industries, meeting clients' need of transforming to a low-carbon and sustainable development as well as managing their potential ESG risks. In 2021, GTJAI maintained its leading position in the Green Bond issuance market among China-based securities firms in Hong Kong.

GTJAI's Green bond issuance business size



Key projects of supporting sustainable industry through Green Finance:

In September 2021, GTJAI, as joint green structuring advisor, joint global coordinator, joint bookrunner and joint lead manager, assisted  **Guangzhou Metro** successfully in issuing US\$200 million 5-year senior fixed-rate green bonds, which set the record of the lowest interest rate for US dollar bonds issued by China-based local state-owned enterprises during the same period, and was also the first green overseas bond issued by a state-owned enterprise in Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (“Greater Bay Area”) in 2021. The funds raised will be fully used for low-carbon transportation projects. The bond received an A+ rating from Fitch, green certification from Sustainalytics (an international green rating institution), and label certification from the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA), and was highly regarded by many well-known domestic and international investment institutions, with a maximum book order of over US\$2.2 billion and 11 times oversubscription.

In January 2022, the Company once again served as the joint green structuring advisor, joint global coordinator, joint bookrunner and joint lead manager, assisting  **Guangzhou Development District Holding Group Limited** to issue Reg S 5-year fixed-rate senior unsecured USD green bonds, which became the first US dollar bond to be simultaneously listed in Hong Kong, Macau and Singapore, and the first project in Greater Bay Area to be listed on the Singapore Exchange, once again successfully delivering the bookbuilding performance of favourable interest rate, high subscription size and large oversubscription rate.

In addition, in November 2021, Guotai Junan International, as the joint global coordinator, joint bookrunner and joint lead manager, assisted  **Shangyu Urban Construction Group Co., Ltd.** successfully issuing a 5-year US\$240 million senior unsecured **sustainable bond**. This is the first sustainable overseas bond issued by a state-owned enterprise in the Yangtze River Delta region. The proceeds will refinance the group's overseas debt under a sustainable financial framework.

Green Bonds services assisted company's business transformation while Green Capital empowers Responsible Investment

GTJAI has been sizing up the situation in its business development strategy, upholding the concept of green investment, prioritizing to environmental protection investment and financing projects, and fully implementing the ESG and sustainability concept with actions. In August 2021, the Company joined the Hong Kong Green Finance Association, to jointly support and promote the development of green finance and green investment concepts. In the future, the Company will actively embrace new opportunities in green finance, continue to fulfill its corporate social responsibility, consolidate its strategic layout in ESG and carbon neutrality with practical actions, and join hands with all sectors of the society to develop a more inclusive low-carbon economy.



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About GTJAI

Guotai Junan International (“GTJAI”, Stock Code: 1788.HK) is the market leader and first mover for internationalization of Chinese Securities Company as well as the first Chinese securities broker listed on the Main Board of The Hong Kong Stock Exchange through initial public offering. It has also been included in FTSE4Good Index by London Stock Exchange of the United Kingdom. Based in Hong Kong, GTJAI provides diversified integrated financial services. Core business includes seven categories of brokerage, corporate finance, asset management, loans and financing, financial products, market making and investments, which cover three dimensions including individual finance (wealth management), institutional finance (institutional investor services and corporate finance service) and investment management. GTJAI has been assigned “Baa2” and “BBB+” long term issuer rating from Moody and Standard & Poor respectively. The controlling shareholder, **Guotai Junan Securities Company Limited (Stock Code: 601211.SH; 2611.HK)**, is the comprehensive financial provider with a long-term, sustainable and overall leading position in the Chinese securities industry. For more information about GTJAI, please visit <https://www.gtjai.com>