

CCXAP assigns BBB_g- to Shandong Luzhong Investment Co., Ltd.'s proposed offshore bonds

Hong Kong, 8 February 2024 – China Chengxin (Asia Pacific) Credit Ratings Company Limited ("CCXAP") has assigned an expected senior unsecured debt rating of BBB_g- to the proposed offshore bonds to be issued by Yishunda International Ltd., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Shandong Luzhong Investment Co., Ltd. ("SDLZ" or the "Company") (BBB_g-/stable), and unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by SDLZ.

The bonds constitute direct, unsubordinated, unconditional, and unsecured obligations of SDLZ, which shall at all times rank pari passu with all the Company's other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations. The Company intends to use the proceeds for project development and replenishment of working capital.

Rating Rationale

SDLZ's senior unsecured debt rating is in line with its long-term credit rating. We believe that government support will flow through the Company given its important role in economic development and infrastructure construction in Yiyuan County, thereby mitigating any differences in an expected loss that could result from structural subordination.

Rating Methodology

The methodology used in this rating is the Rating Methodology for <u>China's Local Infrastructure</u> <u>Investment and Financing Companies (July 2022)</u>.

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