## Investments

## الاستثمـارات

## Accounting for investments in securities (debt and equity)

Financial investments consist of the purchase of securities includeDebit investments (bonds), and Equity investments (shares) for the purpose of achieving economic benefits such as profits, interest, gains on the sale of investment, as well as exerting influence or control over the investee companies.

International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) requires that companies classify investments in securities into two measurement categories depending on their circumstances.

1- Amortized cost and

2- Fair value

First of all we need to understand what the following terms do mean:
Amortized cost: is the initial recognition amount of the investment minus repayments, plus or minus cumulative amortization and net of any reduction for uncollectibility.
Fair value: is the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

## Accounting for investments in debt securities:

Investments by companies in bonds issued by government or non-governmental entities in order to obtain periodic and fixed interest, and these investments are divided into the following forms.

## Types of Debt investments (Bonds)

| Held-for-collection <br> Bonds | Investments that the company wishes to hold to the <br> maturity date in order to obtain the interests. |
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| Not held-for-collection <br> Bonds | Investments acquired by the company in order to sell and <br> trade these investments in the short term. |

## Accounting treatment for debt investments (bonds):

The accounting treatment for investing in bonds is determined according to the following two main criteria: first, the intention of the company in the purchase the bonds for the purpose of selling and trading or for the purpose of keeping them to the maturity date.

The second criterion is contractual cash flow characteristics of the investment which it means the clarity of future cash flows.
The following schedule explains the measurement method and unrealized gains or losses on acquisition.

| Types of Bonds | valuation <br> method | Unrealized gains or <br> losses on acquisition | Effects on income <br> statement |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Held-for-collection Bonds | Amortized cost | Not recognized | 1- Interests for <br> acquisition <br> 2- Gain \& loss of |
| Not held-for-collection <br> Bonds | Fair value | Recognize it at bonds <br> income statement <br> within other expenses <br> \& revenue item | 1- Interests for <br> acquisition |
| 2- Gain \& loss of <br> sale bonds |  |  |  |

## Accounting for debt investments (bonds) by using amortized cost method:

The amortized cost method is used in accounting for the bonds that the company intends to hold to maturity. Thus, only bonds (not shares) can be placed under this classification. In addition, these bonds are placed in this classification according to two conditions, the first conditions is a positive intention by the company to hold the bonds until the maturity date. The second condition is the financial ability of the company to hold the bonds until the maturity date.

Example (1): In 1/1/2013 Baghdad company purchased bonds with a par value of ID 5000000 and an interest rate of $10 \%$ per annum, With Interest receivable December 31 of each year. Note that the company intends to keep the bonds until maturity date on $1 / 1 / 2018$.

## Required:

1- Prepare the journal entry at the date of the bond purchase.
2- Prepare the journal entry to record the interest received and the amortization for 2013.

3- Prepare the journal entry to record the interest received and the amortization for 2014.
Solution:

## 1/1/2013

Debit investment (investment in Bonds) 5000000
$\qquad$

31/12/2013
Cash $(10 \% * 5000000) 500000$
$\qquad$
31/12/2014
$\operatorname{Cash}(10 \% * 5000000) 500000$
Investment interest revenue 500000

Example (2): In 1/1/2014 Baghdad company purchased bonds with a par value of ID 1000000 and an interest rate of $8 \%$ per annum, With Interest receivable in $1 / 1$ and $1 / 7$ of each year. Note that the company intends to keep the bonds until maturity date on $1 / 1 / 2017$.

## Required:

Prepare the journal entries for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017

## Solution:

## Cash

 1000000In $1 / 7 / 2014$ the company received interest for 6 months of amount ID 40000 which are computed as following: $1000000 * 8 \% * 6 / 12=$ ID 40000 and the company record the following entry 1/7/2014

> Cash 40000 Investment interest revenue 40000

On December 31, there will be interest revenue due for six months related to 2016 has not been received, so that the company will record the following entry;

31/12/2014
Accrued investment interest revenue 40000

| Investment interest revenue $\quad 40000$ |
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In $1 / 1 / 2015$ when the Baghdad Co. received the accrued interest revenue the following entry will be recorded;

| 1/1/2015 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cash | 40000 |  |
|  | Accrued investment interest revenue | 40000 |
| 1/7/2015 |  |  |
|  | Cash 40000 |  |
|  | Investment interest revenue | 40000 |
| 31/12/2015 |  |  |
|  | Accrued investment interest revenue | 40000 |
|  | Investment interest revenue | 40000 |

In 2016, Baghdad continues to record entries in the same manner.
In 1/1/2017 Baghdad Co. received par value amount of debit investment at maturity date, and the company record the following entry;
1/1/2017
Cash 1000000

| Debit investment $\quad 1000000$ |
| :--- |

## Purchase of bonds at different date from dates of interest payment

When bonds are purchased on a date other than the interest payment dates, the company will be required to pay interest to the seller or issuer of the bonds. Additionally, the accrued interest is paid separately to the seller from the purchase price.

Example (3): by using information of example (1), and assume that the bonds purchased at $1 / 3 / 2014$.

## Solution:

In this case, Baghdad Co. will pay two months' interest (January and February) to the seller or issuer.

| Debit investment | 1000000 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Investment interest revenue $(1000000 * 8 \% * 2 / 12)$ | 13333 |

$\qquad$
1/7/2014

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\text { Cash } 40000
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| Investment interest revenue $\quad 40000$ |
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$\square$ The balance of investment interest revenue (26667) is equal 4 months( March, April, May, and June)

And the balance come from 1000000* 8\% * 4/12=26667

## Purchase bonds at higher or less than their par value

In many cases, bonds are purchased at an amount higher than their par value this amount is called a premium. In other cases, the bonds are purchased at a lower amount which is called a discount. There are two methods to amortize bonds premium and bonds discount which are;
1- Effective rate and

2- Stated rate method.

Example (4): In 1/1/2015 Baghdad company purchased bonds of ID 518000 ( par value $=$ ID 500000 ) and an interest rate of $8 \%$ per annum, With Interest receivable $1 / 1$ and $1 / 7$ of each year. Note that the company intends to keep the bonds until maturity date on $1 / 1 / 2018$.

## Required:

1- Prepare the journal entries for the years 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018
2- Prepare interest schedule and bonds amortized schedule and noted that Baghdad Co. is used stated rate method in amortizing bonds.

## Solutions:

## 1/1/2015

Debit investments 518000

Cash 518000

The Company purchased the bonds at an amount greater than the par value of ID 18000 which represents the purchase premium, and this premium will be amortized over the period between the date of purchase and the maturity date of 36 months, by using stated rate method.

Monthly amortized $=18000 / 36$ months $=$ ID 500 per month

Schedule of rates and amortize of bonds by using stated rate method

| Date | Cash <br> received | Interest <br> revenue | Amortize <br> premium | Carrying <br> amount of bonds |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1 / 1 / 2015$ | - | - | - | 518000 |
| $1 / 7 / 2015$ | 20000 | 17000 | 3000 | 515000 |
| $1 / 1 / 2016$ | 20000 | 17000 | 3000 | 512000 |
| $1 / 7 / 2016$ | 20000 | 17000 | 3000 | 509000 |
| $1 / 1 / 2017$ | 20000 | 17000 | 3000 | 506000 |
| $1 / 7 / 2017$ | 20000 | 17000 | 3000 | 503000 |
| $1 / 1 / 2018$ | 20000 | 17000 | 3000 | 500000 |

1/7/2015
Cash
20000
Investment interest revenue 17000
Debit investment 3000
$31 / 12 / 2015$
Accrued interest revenue 20000
Investment interest revenue $\quad 17000$
Debit investment
3000
1/1/2016
Cash 20000

| Acciued interest revenue | 20000 |
| :--- | :--- |

1/7/2016
cash 20000

Investment interest revenue 17000
Debit investment 3000

31/12/2016

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\text { Accrued interest revenue } 20000
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Investment interest revenue 17000
Debit investment 3000
The company will continue to record same journal entries for year 2017.

In $1 / 1 / 2018$ the company will received the amount of bonds, and record the following entry;

1/1/2018

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\text { Cash } 500000
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Example (5): In 1/5/2016 Baghdad company purchased 4 Debit investments of ID 392000 (par value per bond =ID 100000 ) and an interest rate of $12 \%$ per annum, with Interest receivable $30 / 6$ and $31 / 12$ of each year. Note that the company intends to keep the bonds until maturity date on 31/12/2017.

## Required:

1- Prepare the journal entries for the years, 2016, 2017.
2- Prepare interest schedule and bonds amortized schedule and noted that Baghdad Co. is used stated rate method in amortizing bonds.

## Solutions:

Accrued interest revenue for the seller $=400000^{*} 12 \% * 4 / 12=$ ID 16000

1/5/2016

| Debit investment | 392000 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Interest revenue | 16000 |
| Cash | 408000 |

The Company purchased the bonds at an amount less than the par value of ID 8000 which represents the purchase premium, and this premium will be amortized over the period between the date of purchase and the maturity date of 20 months, by using stated rate method.

Monthly amortized $=8000 / 20$ months $=$ ID 400 per month

Schedule of rates and amortize of bonds by using stated rate method

| Date | Cash received <br> $\% 12$ | Interest revenue | Amortize <br> premium | Carrying <br> amount <br> bonds |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1 / 5 / 2016$ | - | - | - | 392000 |
| $30 / 6 / 2016$ | $24000(16000+8000)$ | $24800(16000+8800)$ | 800 | 392800 |
| $31 / 12 / 2016$ | 24000 | 26400 | 2400 | 395200 |
| $30 / 6 / 2017$ | 24000 | 26400 | 2400 | 397600 |
| $31 / 12 / 2017$ | 24000 | 26400 | 2400 | 400000 |

30/6/2016
Cash 24000

Debit investment 6* $400 \quad 800$
Investment interest revenue
24800
31/12/2016

Cash
Debit investment 2400
Investment interest revenue 26400

The balance of debit investment $=392000+800+2400=$ ID 395200

30/6/2017

| Cash | 24000 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Debit investment | 2400 |

Investment interest revenue 26400
$31 / 12 / 2017$
Cash 24000

Debit investment 2400

In $31 / 12 / 2017$ the company will received the amount of bonds, and record the following entry;

31/12/2017
Cash 400000
$\qquad$

Example (7): (Using the data of the previous example) Assume that, Baghdad Co. sold investments on 1/2/2017 for ID 379000 as well as accrued interest. Required: Record journal entries for sold transaction?
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The balance of debit investment will be $395200+400=$ ID 395600

The sale journal entry will be:
1/2/2017

Cash
397000
Debit investment
395600
Gains on sale of investments $\quad 1400$

## Accounting for Debit Investment by using Fair Value method

The fair value method is used in accounting for investments in debt securities (bonds) when the company intends to trade in these bonds to earn profits.

The accounting treatment for these investments does not different from the investments that Held-for-maturity date, Only such investments are assessed and reported at the end of the financial period by using the fair value method.

Example (8): In 1/1/2016 Baghdad Co. purchased 4 debit investments for trading purposes with amount of ID 411500, as well as with the payment of any accrued interest. The par value for one bond is ID 100000 with interest rate of $12 \%$ annum, and interest is paid in $1 / 5$ and $1 / 11$ of each year, additionally the maturity date of these bonds are $1 / 11 / 2019$. The fair value of bonds in $31 / 12 / 2016$ is ID 409000, and the bonds were sold in 1/6/2017 of ID 408000 with the accrued interest.

## Required:

Record any necessary journal entries for the years 2016, and 2017, note that the company uses stated rate method to amortize bond's premium and discount.
Solution:
Accrued interest revenue for the seller $=400000^{*} 12 \%^{*} 2 / 12=$ ID 8000

## 1/1/2016

Debit investment 411500
Interest revenue 8000
Cash
419500

## $1 / 1 / 2016$ to $1 / 11 / 2019=46$ months

The premium of bond's purchased = ID 11500
Monthly amortized $=11500 / 46$ months= ID 250 per month

| Date | Cash <br> received | Interest <br> revenue | Amortize <br> premium | Carrying <br> amount of bonds |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1 / 1 / 2016$ | - | - | - | 411500 |
| $1 / 5 / 2016$ | 24000 <br> $(8000+16000)$ | 23000 <br> $(1000-24000)$ | 1000 | 410500 |
| $1 / 11 / 2016$ | 24000 | 22500 | 1500 | 409000 |
| $1 / 5 / 2017$ | 24000 | 22500 | 1500 | 407500 |
| $1 / 11 / 2017$ | 24000 | 22500 | 1500 | 406000 |
| $1 / 5 / 2018$ | 24000 | 22500 | 1500 | 404500 |
| $1 / 11 / 2018$ | 24000 | 22500 | 1500 | 403000 |
| $1 / 5 / 2019$ | 24000 | 22500 | 1500 | 401500 |
| $1 / 11 / 2019$ | 24000 | 22500 | 1500 | 400000 |

Cash
24000
Investment interest revenue 23000

Debit investment 1000

## 1/11/2016

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\text { Cash } 24000
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Investment interest revenue 22500
Debit investment 1500

31/12/2016
Accrued interest revenue 8000
Investment interest revenue 7500
Debit investment 500

| Investments | Cost | Fair value | Unrealized gains or <br> losses on acquisition |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $12 \%$ <br> investment | Debit | 408500 | 409000 |

Because the fair value higher than cost of ID 500, and in this case Fair value adjustment account will be shown as following;

31/12/2016
Fair value adjustment 500

Unrealized gains or losses on acquisition 500

At the end of year the debit investment will be shown in balance sheet as of fair value

Balance sheet of the company as of 31/12/2016

| Assets |  | Liabilities and Owners' equity |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Debit investment | 408500 |  |
| + Fair value adjustment | 500 |  |
| Fair value of Debit investments | 409000 |  |

