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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

A Bruchey Marchai Burris

CHORDIANT SOFTWARE,

INC., 20400 STEVENS CREEK BLVD., STE. 400

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/06/2009

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CHORDIANT SOFTWARE INC [CHRD]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director

10% Owner

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) V.P. & Chief Marketing Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

CUPERTINO. CAÂ 95014

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

5. 4 Conversion or Exercise

6. Nature of Indirect Ownership Beneficial Ownership Form of (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Title Date Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of

Derivative Price of Derivative Security: Security Direct (D)

Shares

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

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V.P. & Chief Marketing Officer

Signatures

/s/Marchai B. Bruchey

04/07/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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In July 2006, the MIIT publicly released the Notice on Strengthening the Administration of Foreign Investment in Operating Value-added Telecommunications Business, or the MIIT Notice, which reiterates certain provisions under the FITE Regulations. According to the MIIT Notice, if any foreign investor intends to invest in a PRC telecommunications business, a foreign-invested telecommunications enterprise must be established and such enterprise must apply for the relevant telecommunications business licenses. Under the MIIT Notice, domestic telecommunications enterprises are prohibited from renting, transferring or selling a telecommunications license to foreign investors in any form, and from providing any resources, premises, facilities and other assistance in any form to foreign investors for their illegal operation of any telecommunications business in China.

Regulation relating to Our Business

Reporting Owners 2

Internet Information Services

General

The provision of real estate and home-related and other content on internet websites is subject to applicable PRC laws, rules and regulations relating to the telecommunications industry and the internet, and regulated by various government authorities, including the MIIT and the SAIC. Under the applicable regulations, internet information services are classified as value-added telecommunications businesses, and a commercial operator must obtain an ICP license from the MIIT or its relevant provincial counterparts in order to carry out commercial internet information service operations in China. If an internet information service provider is not engaged in commercial internet information service, it is only required to file a record with the MIIT or its relevant provincial counterparts. In addition, the regulations also provide that operators involved in internet content provision in sensitive and strategic sectors, including news, publishing, education, health care, medicine and medical devices, must obtain additional approvals from the relevant authorities in relation to those sectors.

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In compliance with these laws and regulations, Beijing Leju and Shanghai Yi Xin, our consolidated variable interest entities, and Beijing Yisheng Leju Internet Technology Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of our consolidated variable interest entity Beijing Jiajujiu, each hold a valid ICP license issued by the local provincial branch of the MIIT for the operation of our value-added telecommunication business.

The MIIT Notice requires that a value-added telecommunications business operator (or its shareholders) must own domain names and trademarks used by it in the value-added telecommunications business, and have premises and facilities appropriate for such business. To comply with the MIIT Notice, Beijing Leju, a consolidated variable interest entity, has been registered as the owner or is applying to be the owner of the Chinese and English dual-language Leju trademark in several categories and has obtained the domain names of *leju.com* and *leju.cn*. Beijing Yisheng Leju Online Technology Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of our consolidated variable interest entity Beijing Jiajujiu, has registered the domain name of *jiaju.com*.

Network Publication Service License

According to the Provisions on Network Publication Service Administration, jointly issued by GAPPRFT and the MIIT in February 2016, all entities that are engaged in network publication service in China must obtain the Network Publication Service License from GAPPRFT. Network publication service is broadly defined in the Provisions on Network Publication Service Administration Regulation as the use of information networks to provide the public with digital works that have characteristics of publication such as editing, creation or processing. Our consolidated variable interest entities and their subsidiaries do not have network publication licenses. For content which we believe are subject to the requirements of these licenses, such content is hosted by SINA through our contractual arrangement with SINA. In the case that SINA does not possess the necessary licenses and permits, our content hosted by SINA is subject to the risk of being suspended by government authorities. Moreover, we cannot assure you that government would not require us to obtain these licenses separately for operation of our own websites and those websites licensed to us even if the underlying hosting of the relevant content is provided by a qualified third party. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks related to Our Business If we fail to obtain or keep licenses, permits or approvals applicable to the various online real estate services provided by us, we may incur significant financial penalties and other government sanctions.

Online Transmission of Audio-Visual Programs

On December 20, 2007, GAPPRFT and the MIIT jointly promulgated the Administrative Provisions on Internet Audio-visual Program Service, or the Audio-visual Program Provisions, which came into effect on January 31, 2008. The Audio-visual Program Provisions apply to the provision of audio-visual program services to the public via internet (including mobile network) within the territory of the PRC. Providers of internet audio-visual program services are required to obtain a License for Online Transmission of Audio-visual Programs issued by GAPPRFT or complete certain registration procedures with GAPPRFT. Providers of internet audio-visual program services are generally required to be either state-owned or state-controlled by the PRC government, and the business to be carried out by such providers must satisfy the overall planning and guidance catalog for internet audio-visual program services determined by GAPPRFT. On May 21, 2008, GAPPRFT issued a Notice on Relevant Issues Concerning Application and Approval of License for Online Transmission of Audio-visual Programs, which further sets forth detailed provisions concerning the application and approval process regarding the License for Online Transmission of Audio-visual Programs. The notice also provides that providers of internet audio-visual program services who engaged in such services prior to the promulgation of the Audio-visual Program Provisions shall also be eligible to apply for the license so long as their violation of the laws and regulations (if any) is minor and can be rectified timely and they have no record of violation during the latest three months prior to the promulgation of the Audio-visual Program Provisions, On April 1, 2010, GAPPRFT issued the Internet Audio/Visual Program Services Categories (Provisional) which classified internet audio-visual programs into four categories. Our consolidated variable interest entities and their subsidiaries do not have Licenses for Online Transmission of Audio-visual Programs. For content which we believe are subject to the requirements of these licenses, such content is hosted by SINA through our contractual arrangement with SINA. In the case that SINA does not possess the necessary licenses and permits, our content hosted by SINA is subject to the risk of being suspended by government authorities.

Moreover, we cannot assure you that government would not require us to obtain these licenses separately for operation of our own websites and those websites licensed to us even if the underlying hosting of the relevant content is provided by a qualified third party. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks related to Our Business If we fail to obtain or keep licenses, permits or approvals applicable to the various online real estate services provided by us, we may incur significant financial penalties and other government sanctions.

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Regulations relating to Information Security and Confidentiality of User Identity and Information

Internet content in China is also regulated and restricted from a state security standpoint. Pursuant to the Decision Regarding the Protection of Internet Security enacted by the Standing Committee of the National People s Congress, any effort to undertake the following actions may be subject to criminal punishment in China:

- gain improper entry into a computer or system of national strategic importance;
- disseminate politically disruptive information;
- leak government secrets;
- spread false commercial information; or
- infringe intellectual property rights.

The Ministry of Public Security has also promulgated measures that prohibit the use of the internet in ways that, among other things, result in the leakage of government secrets or the spread of socially destabilizing content. The Ministry of Public Security and its local counterparts have supervision and inspection powers in this regard, and we may be subject to the jurisdiction of the local security bureaus. If an internet information service provider violates these measures, the PRC government may revoke its license and shut down its website. To comply with these laws and regulations, we require our users to accept the user terms or service agreement for registration with, and use of, our websites, whereby they agree to comply with the applicable PRC laws and regulations in using our websites, and we also maintain constant surveillance and monitoring on the information posted on our websites. However, the measures we take may not be adequate to ensure that all the information posted on our websites are in compliance with these laws and regulations. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks related to Our Business Regulation of the internet industry in China, including censorship of information distributed over the internet, may materially and adversely affect our business.

The security and confidentiality of information on the identity of internet users are also regulated in China. The Internet Information Service Administrative Measures promulgated by the PRC State Council require internet information service providers to maintain an adequate system that protects the security of user information. In December 2005, the Ministry of Public Security promulgated the Regulations on Technical Measures of Internet Security Protection, requiring internet service providers to utilize standard technical measures for internet security protection. Moreover, the Rules for Regulating the Market Order of Internet Content Services enhance the protection of internet users personal information by prohibiting internet information service providers from unauthorized collection, disclosure or use of personal information of their users. In December 2012, the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress passed the Decision on Strengthening Internet Information Protection, which provides that all internet service providers in China, including internet information service providers, should require their users to provide real identity information when entering into service agreements or providing services to the users. On July 16, 2013, the MIIT

issued Provisions on Protecting Personal Information of Telecommunication and Internet Users, or the Provisions on Personal Information, under which Internet information service providers are subject to strict requirements to protect personal information of internet users. The internet information service providers are prohibited from collecting personal information of internet users without obtaining consent from the users. Personal information collected shall be used only in connection with the services to be provided by Internet information service providers to such users and shall be kept in strict confidence. To comply with these laws and regulations, we require our users to accept the user terms or service agreement for registration with and use of our websites whereby they agree to provide certain personal information to us and agree to our use of their provided personal information under certain agreed circumstances, and we have established information security systems to protect users privacy.

Advertising Services

The SAIC is responsible for regulating advertising activities in China. Pursuant to applicable regulations, companies that engage in advertising activities in China must obtain from the SAIC or its local branches a business license which specifically includes operating an advertising business within its business scope. Companies conducting advertising activities without such a license may be subject to penalties, including fines, confiscation of illegal revenues and orders to cease advertising operations. The business license of an advertising company is valid for the duration of its existence, unless the license is suspended or revoked due to a violation of any relevant law or regulation.

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The business scope of the business licenses of Beijing Leju and its subsidiaries includes operating an advertising business, which allows them to engage in the advertising business.

PRC advertising laws and regulations also set forth certain content requirements for advertisements in the PRC including, among other things, prohibitions on false or misleading content, superlative wording, socially destabilizing content or content involving obscenities, superstition, violence, discrimination or infringement of the public interest. Advertisers, advertising agencies, and advertising distributors are required by PRC advertising laws and regulations to ensure that the content of the advertisements they prepare or distribute is true and in full compliance with applicable law. In providing advertising services, advertising operators and advertising distributors must review the supporting documents provided by advertisers for advertisements and verify that the content of the advertisements complies with applicable PRC laws and regulations. Prior to distributing advertisements that are subject to government censorship and approval, advertising distributors are obligated to verify that such censorship has been performed and approval has been obtained. Violation of these regulations may result in penalties, including fines, confiscation of advertising income, orders to cease dissemination of the advertisements and orders to publish an advertisement correcting the misleading information. In circumstances involving serious violations, the SAIC or its local branches may revoke violators—licenses or permits for their advertising business operations. To comply with these laws and regulations, we maintain a task force to review the advertising materials to ensure the content does not violate the relevant laws and regulations before displaying such advertisements, and we also request relevant advertisers to provide proof of governmental approval if an advertisement is subject to special government review.

Regulations relating to Real Estate Brokerage Business

The principal regulations governing the real estate brokerage business in China include the Law on Administration of the Urban Real Estate issued by the Standing Committee of National People s Congress in July 1994 and revised in August 2009, and the Administrative Measures for Real Estate Brokerage issued in January 2011. Pursuant to these laws, a company must register with the local offices of SAIC in each locality where it does business in order to operate real estate brokerage business. In addition, a real estate brokerage company and its branches shall file with the local real estate administrative authority within 30 days after it obtains the business license.

The previous Foreign Investment Industrial Guidance Catalogue issued in 2011 classified the real estate agency and brokerage services within the restricted category for foreign investment. Accordingly, a wholly foreign-owned enterprise in China was required to obtain approval from the Ministry of Commerce or its local counterpart in order to establish or invest in any subsidiary to engage real estate agency and brokerage services. The National Development and Reform Commission and the Ministry of Commerce issued a new Foreign Investment Industrial Guidance Catalogue, which became effective on April 10, 2015. The new Foreign Investment Industrial Guidance Catalogue removed the real estate agency and brokerage services from the restricted category. Accordingly, the establishment of or the investment in a subsidiary to engage in real estate agency and brokerage services is no longer subject to the approval of the Ministry of Commerce or its local counterparts.

We mainly use City Rehouse and its subsidiaries to provide support for our e-commerce business. Each subsidiary of City Rehouse has obtained and maintained a business license with such business scope, and 22 of our PRC operating entities have completed the filing with the competent local real estate administrative authorities. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business in China Failure to obtain the approvals or complete the filings required for our real estate agency and brokerage business in China may limit our ability to provide real estate agency and brokerage services or establish new PRC operating entities

Regulations relating to Trademarks

Both the PRC Trademark Law and the Implementation Regulation of the PRC Trademark Law, as currently in effect, provide protection to the holders of registered trademarks and trade names. The PRC Trademark Office handles trademark registrations and grants a renewable term of rights of ten years to registered trademarks. In addition, trademark license agreements must be filed with the PRC Trademark Office.

After receiving a trademark registration application, the PRC Trademark Office will make a public announcement with respect to the proposed trademark registration application if the relevant trademark passes the preliminary examination. Any person may, within three months after such public announcement, object to such trademark application. The PRC Trademark Office will then decide who is entitled to the trademark registration, and its decisions may be appealed to the PRC Trademark Review and Adjudication Board, whose decision may be further appealed through judicial proceedings. If no objection is filed within three months after the public announcement period or if the objection has been overruled, the PRC Trademark Office will approve the registration and issue a registration certificate, upon which the trademark is registered and will be effective for a renewable ten-year period, unless otherwise revoked. As of December 31, 2015, we owned or licensed 193 registered trademarks in China, and had 50 trademark applications in various industry categories pending with the China Trademark Office.

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Regulations relating to Employment

Under the PRC Labor Law, PRC Labor Contract Law and its implementing rules, employers must enter into written labor contracts with full-time employees. All employers must compensate their employees with wages equal to at least the local minimum wage standards. Employers in China are required to provide employees with welfare schemes covering pension insurance, medical insurance, work-related injury insurance, unemployment insurance, maternity insurance and housing funds. Employers in most cases are also required to provide a severance payment to their employees after their employment relationships are terminated. We have caused all of our full-time employees to enter into written labor contracts with us and provide our employees with the proper welfare and employment benefits.

Pursuant to the PRC Labor Contract Law and its amendments, dispatched employees are intended to be a supplementary form of employment and shall only apply to provisional, auxiliary or substitutive positions, and the fundamental form should be direct employment by enterprises and organizations that require employees. It is expressly stated that the number of dispatched employees an employer uses may not exceed a certain percentage of its total labor force. The Interim Provisions on Labor Dispatch which came into force on March 1, 2014, further set such percentage at 10% and provide a two-year transitional period for compliance with such requirement. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in orders of rectification and imposition of fines. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Business Increases in labor costs in the PRC may adversely affect our business and our profitability.

Regulations relating to Foreign Exchange Control and Administration

Foreign Exchange Administration

The principal regulation governing foreign currency exchange in the PRC is the Regulations of the PRC on Foreign Exchange Administration, or the Foreign Exchange Regulations, as amended in August 2008. Under the Foreign Exchange Regulations and other relevant PRC regulations and rules, Renminbi is convertible into other currencies for the purpose of current account transactions, including the distribution of dividends, interest payments, trade and service-related foreign exchange transactions. The conversion of Renminbi into other currencies and remittance of the converted foreign currency outside China for capital account transactions, such as capital injections, loans, repatriation of investments and investments in securities outside the PRC, requires the prior approval from, or registration with, SAFE or its local branches.

As an offshore holding company with PRC subsidiaries, we may (i) make additional capital contributions to our PRC subsidiaries; (ii) establish new PRC subsidiaries and make capital contributions to these new PRC subsidiaries; (iii) make loans to our PRC subsidiaries or consolidated variable interest entities; or (iv) acquire offshore entities with business operations in China in an offshore transaction. However, most of these uses are subject to PRC regulations and approvals, such as:

• capital contributions to our PRC subsidiaries must be approved by the Ministry of Commerce or its local counterparts;

- loans by us to our PRC subsidiaries cannot exceed the statutory limit which is the difference between the amount of total investment and the amount of registered capital of such subsidiaries as approved by the Ministry of Commerce or its local counterpart, and must be registered with SAFE or its local branches; and
- loans by us to our consolidated variable interest entities must be filed with the National Development and Reform Commission and must also be registered with SAFE or its local branches.

The Circular on the Reforming of the Management Method of the Settlement of Foreign Currency Capital of Foreign-Invested Enterprises, or SAFE Circular 19, became valid on June 1, 2015. Under SAFE Circular 19, a foreign-invested enterprise may choose converting its registered capital from foreign currency to Renminbi on self-discretionary basis, and the Renminbi capital converted can be used for equity investments within PRC, which will be regarded as the reinvestment of foreign-invested enterprise. In addition, SAFE Circular 19 prohibits a foreign-invested enterprise from using Renminbi funds converted from its foreign currency registered capital to provide entrustment loans or repay loans borrowed from non-financial enterprises. Violation of these circulars could result in severe penalties, including heavy fines. These circulars may limit our ability to transfer funds to our consolidated variable interest entities and the subsidiaries of our wholly foreign-owned subsidiaries in China, and we may not be able to convert foreign currency-denominated funds into Renminbi to invest in or acquire any other PRC companies, or establish other consolidated variable interest entities in China. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business in China PRC regulation of loans and direct investment by offshore holding companies to PRC entities may delay or prevent us from making loans or additional capital contributions to our PRC operating subsidiaries.

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In November 2012, SAFE promulgated the Circular of Further Improving and Adjusting Foreign Exchange Administration Policies on Foreign Direct Investment, or SAFE Circular 59, which substantially amends and simplifies the then current foreign exchange procedures. Under SAFE Circular 59, the opening of various special purpose foreign exchange accounts (e.g. pre-establishment expenses account, foreign exchange capital account, guarantee account) no longer requires the approval of SAFE. Reinvestment of Renminbi proceeds by foreign investors in the PRC no longer requires SAFE approval or verification.

In May 2013, SAFE promulgated the Circular on Printing and Distributing the Provisions on Foreign Exchange Administration over Domestic Direct Investment by Foreign Investors and the Supporting Documents, which specifies that the administration by SAFE or its local branches over direct investment by foreign investors in the PRC shall be conducted by way of registration. Institutions and individuals shall register with SAFE and/or its local branches for their direct investment in the PRC. Banks shall process foreign exchange business relating to the direct investment in the PRC based on the registration information provided by SAFE and its branches.

In February 2015, SAFE promulgated the Circular of Further Simplifying and Improving the Policies of Foreign Exchange Administration Applicable to Direct Investment, or SAFE Circular 13, which will become effective on June 1, 2015. Under SAFE Circular 13, the current foreign exchange procedures will be further simplified, and foreign exchange registrations of direct investment will be handled by banks instead of SAFE and its branches.

Foreign Exchange Registration of Offshore Investments by PRC Residents

The Notice on Issues Relating to the Administration of Foreign Exchange in Fund-Raising and Round-Trip Investment Activities of Domestic Residents Conducted via Offshore Special Purpose Companies, or SAFE Circular 75, requires PRC residents to register with the relevant local branch of SAFE before establishing or controlling any company outside of China, referred to as an offshore special purpose company, for the purpose of raising funds from overseas to acquire or exchange the assets of, or acquiring equity interests in, PRC entities held by such PRC residents and to update such registration in the event of any significant changes with respect to that offshore company. SAFE promulgated the Circular on Relevant Issues Concerning Foreign Exchange Control on Domestic Residents Offshore Investment and Financing and Roundtrip Investment through Special Purpose Vehicles, or SAFE Circular 37, on July 4, 2014, which replaced the SAFE Circular 75. SAFE Circular 37 requires PRC residents to register with local branches of SAFE in connection with their direct establishment or indirect control of an offshore entity, for the purpose of overseas investment and financing, with such PRC residents legally owned assets or equity interests in domestic enterprises or offshore assets or interests, referred to in SAFE Circular 37 as a special purpose vehicle. The term control under SAFE Circular 37 is broadly defined as the operation rights, beneficiary rights or decision-making rights acquired by the PRC residents in the offshore special purpose vehicles by such means as acquisition, trust, proxy, voting rights, repurchase, convertible bonds or other arrangements. SAFE Circular 37 further requires amendment to the registration in the event of any changes with respect to the basic information of the special purpose vehicle, such as changes in a PRC resident individual shareholder, name or operation period; or any significant changes with respect to the special purpose vehicle, such as increase or decrease of capital contributed by PRC individuals, share transfer or exchange, merger, division or other material event. If the shareholders of the offshore holding company who are PRC residents do not complete their registration with the local SAFE branches, the PRC subsidiaries may be prohibited from distributing their profits and proceeds from any reduction in capital, share transfer or liquidation to the offshore company, and the offshore company may be restricted in its ability to contribute additional capital to its PRC subsidiaries. Moreover, failure to comply with SAFE registration and amendment requirements described above could result in liability under PRC law for evasion of applicable foreign exchange restrictions.

We have requested our beneficial owners who are PRC residents to make the necessary applications, filings and amendments required by SAFE. However, we cannot provide any assurances that all of our beneficial owners who are PRC residents will continue to make, obtain or amend any applicable registrations or approvals required by these SAFE regulations. The failure or inability of our PRC resident beneficial owners to comply with the registration procedures set forth therein may subject us to fines and legal sanctions, restrict our cross-border investment

activities, or limit our ability to contribute additional capital into our PRC subsidiaries, or limit our PRC subsidiaries ability to pay dividends or make other distributions to our company or otherwise adversely affect our business. Moreover, failure to comply with the SAFE registration requirements could result in liability under PRC laws for evasion of foreign exchange restrictions.

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Foreign Exchange Registration of Employee Stock Incentive Plans

In February 2012, SAFE issued the Stock Option Rules, which replaced the Application Procedures of Foreign Exchange Administration for Domestic Individuals Participating in Employee Stock Ownership Plans or Stock Option Plans of Overseas Publicly-Listed Companies issued by SAFE in March 2007. Under the Stock Option Rules, a PRC entity s directors, supervisors, senior management officers, other staff or individuals who have an employment or labor relationship with a Chinese entity and are granted stock options by an overseas publicly listed company are required, through a qualified PRC domestic agent which could be a PRC subsidiary of such overseas publicly listed company, to register with SAFE and complete certain other procedures. Such PRC resident participants must also retain an overseas entrusted institution to handle matters in connection with their exercise of stock options, purchase and sale of corresponding stocks or interests, and fund transfer. The PRC agent shall, among other things, file on behalf of such PRC resident participants an application with SAFE to conduct the SAFE registration with respect to such stock incentive plan and obtain approval for an annual allowance with respect to the purchase of foreign exchange in connection with the exercise or sale of stock options or stock such participants hold. In addition, the PRC agent is required to amend the SAFE registration with respect to the stock incentive plan if there is any material change to the stock incentive plan, the PRC agent or the overseas entrusted institution or other material aspects. Such participating PRC residents foreign exchange income received from the sale of stock and dividends distributed by the overseas publicly-listed company must be fully remitted into a PRC collective foreign currency account opened and managed by the PRC agent before distribution to such participants. We and our PRC resident employees who have been granted stock options or other share-based incentives of our company are subject to the Stock Option Rules as our company has become an overseas listed company upon the completion of initial public offering. If we or our PRC resident participants fail to comply with these regulations in the future, we and/or our PRC resident participants may be subject to fines and legal sanctions.

Regulations relating to Dividend Distributions

Under applicable regulations, wholly foreign-owned enterprises in the PRC may pay dividends only out of their accumulated profits, if any, as determined in accordance with PRC accounting standards and regulations. In addition, a wholly foreign-owned enterprise in the PRC is required to set aside at least 10% of its after-tax profit based on PRC accounting standards each year to its general reserves until its cumulative total reserve funds reaches 50% of its registered capital. These reserve funds, however, may not be distributed as cash dividends.

C. Organizational Structure

The following diagram illustrates our corporate structure, including our principal subsidiaries and variable interest entities as of the date hereof.

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Note:
Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd., or Beijing Leju, is a variable interest entity established in China in 2008 and is 80% owned by Mr. Xudong Zhu and 20% owned by Mr. Zuyu Ding, and each of Shanghai Yi Xin E-Commerce Co., Ltd., or Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu E-Commerce Co., Ltd., or Beijing Jiajujiu is a variable interest entity established in China in 2011 and is 70% owned by Mr. Zuyu Ding and 30% owned by Mr. Weijie Ma. We effectively control Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu through contractual arrangements. See more information below in this section.
The registered business scope of each of Shanghai Yi Yue, Leju IT, Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Fangxin and Beijing Maiteng contains the business of development of computer software, which falls in the encouraged category for foreign investment in the new Foreign Investment Industrial Guidance Catalogue that became effective on April 10, 2015. The registered business scope of each of City Rehouse and all its subsidiaries contains the business of real estate brokerage service which was removed from the restricted category for foreign investment in the

new Foreign Investment Industrial Guidance Catalogue. Therefore, the business of real estate brokerage service now fall in the permitted category for foreign investment under PRC law, along with the other businesses listed in the registered business scope of each of Shanghai Yi Yue, Leju IT, Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Fangxin, Beijing Maiteng, and City Rehouse and all its subsidiaries, which are not listed in the new Foreign Investment Industrial Guidance Catalogue.

PRC laws and regulations currently prohibit foreign investors from holding more than 50% of a foreign-invested telecommunications enterprise that provides commercial internet information services, which are one type of value-added telecommunications services. In addition, PRC laws and regulations currently do not allow foreign entities with less than two years of direct experience operating an advertising business outside of China to invest in an advertising business in China. Because of such restriction, our internet information services and advertising services activities are conducted through consolidated variable interest entities in China, namely Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu, or the consolidated variable interest entities.

We have entered into, through our PRC subsidiaries, Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng, a series of contractual arrangements with Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin, Beijing Jiajujiu and their respective shareholders. These contractual arrangements enable us to (i) direct the activities that most significantly affect the economic performance of Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin, Beijing Jiajujiu and their subsidiaries and branches; (ii) receive substantially all of the economic benefits from the three consolidated variable interest entities and their subsidiaries in consideration for the services provided by our PRC subsidiaries; and (iii) have an exclusive option to purchase all or part of the equity interests in the consolidated variable interest entities, when and to the extent permitted by PRC law, or request any existing shareholder of the consolidated variable interest entities to transfer all or part of the equity interest in the consolidated variable interest entities to another PRC person or entity designated by us at any time in our discretion.

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As a result of these contractual arrangements, we, through our PRC subsidiaries, have become the primary beneficiary of these PRC entities and account for them as variable interest entities, and consolidate the financial results of these entities into our financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Substantially all of our revenues are derived from our consolidated variable interest entities and we rely on dividends and service fees paid to us by our PRC subsidiaries and our consolidated variable interest entities in China. Entities apart from our consolidated variable interest entities contributed in aggregate 5.7%, 2.3% and 3.0% of our total net revenues in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. Our operations not conducted through contractual arrangements with the consolidated variable interest entities primarily consist of outsourcing arrangements business, support services for online advertising business and agency services included with our e-commerce business. In 2013, 2014 and 2015, the total amount of service fees that our PRC subsidiaries received from our consolidated variable interest entities under all the service agreements between our PRC subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities was \$24.5 million, \$35.0 million and \$25.7 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2015, the amount of service fees payable to us by the consolidated variable interest entities was \$158.2 million.

The following is a summary of the currently effective contractual arrangements relating to the consolidated variable interest entities:

Agreements that Provide Us with Effective Control over the consolidated variable interest entities

Exclusive Call Option Agreement. Our wholly owned indirect subsidiary, Shanghai SINA Leju, has entered into an exclusive call option agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Leju, and its shareholders. Our wholly owned indirect subsidiary, Shanghai Yi Yue, has entered into an exclusive call option agreement with our variable interest entity, Shanghai Yi Xin, and its shareholders. Our PRC subsidiary, Beijing Maiteng, has entered into an exclusive call option agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Jiajujiu, and its shareholders. In each case, under the exclusive call option agreement each shareholder of the applicable variable interest entity has granted an irrevocable and unconditional option to the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company that will entitle such PRC subsidiary or its designated entity or individual to acquire all or part of the equity interests held by such shareholders in such variable interest entity at its sole discretion, to the extent as permitted by the then-effective PRC laws and regulations. The consideration for such acquisition of all equity interests in the applicable variable interest entity will be equal to the registered capital of such variable interest entity, and if there is any limitation imposed by PRC law that requires the consideration to be greater than the registered capital, the consideration will be the minimum amount as permitted by PRC law. In addition, each such variable interest entity has irrevocably and unconditionally granted the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company an exclusive option to purchase, to the extent permitted under the PRC law, all or part of the assets of such variable interest entity. The exercise price for purchasing the assets of such variable interest entity will be equal to the book value of such assets unless otherwise required by the PRC law. The call option may be exercised by the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company or any third party designated by it. Each exclusive call option agreement will terminate after all the equity interests and assets of the applicable variable interest entity subject to the call option under such agreement have been transferred to the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company or its designated third party pursuant to the terms and conditions of such agreement. Each of Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng is entitled to terminate the applicable exclusive call option agreement if any of the applicable consolidated variable interest entity or its shareholders materially breaches the agreement and fails to rectify the breach within a reasonable period or within ten days upon written request from Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue or Beijing Maiteng, as applicable. The applicable consolidated variable interest entity and its shareholders are not entitled to terminate the agreement early unless otherwise provided by PRC law.

Loan Agreement. Pursuant to a loan agreement among Shanghai SINA Leju, Mr. Xudong Zhu and Mr. Zuyu Ding, Shanghai SINA Leju granted an interest-free loan of RMB8.0 million to Mr. Xudong Zhu and RMB2.0 million to Mr. Zuyu Ding, respectively, solely for their capital contribution to or purchase of equity interests in Beijing Leju. Pursuant to a loan agreement among Shanghai Yi Yue, Mr. Zuyu Ding and Mr. Weijie Ma, Shanghai Yi Yue granted an interest-free loan of RMB10.5 million to Zuyu Ding and RMB4.5 million to Weijie Ma, respectively, solely for their capital contribution to Shanghai Yi Xin. Pursuant to a loan agreement among Beijing Maiteng, Mr. Zuyu Ding and Mr. Weijie Ma, Beijing Maiteng granted an interest-free loan of RMB10.5 million to Zuyu Ding and RMB4.5 million to Weijie Ma, respectively, solely for their capital contribution to Beijing Jiajujiu. Each loan under each loan agreement has a term starting from the date when the applicable lender provides such loan to the applicable borrower and ending on the earliest of (i) the twentieth anniversary of the signing date of such loan agreement; (ii) the expiry date of the applicable lender s business operation term (including any extension of such term); or (iii) the expiry date of the loan agreements includes a provision for early termination by any party.

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Shareholder Voting Rights Proxy Agreement. Our wholly owned indirect subsidiary, Shanghai SINA Leju, has entered into a shareholder voting rights proxy agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Leju, and its shareholders. Our wholly owned indirect subsidiary, Shanghai Yi Yue, has entered into a shareholder voting rights proxy agreement with our variable interest entity, Shanghai Yi Xin, and its shareholders, Our PRC subsidiary, Beijing Maiteng, has entered into a shareholder voting rights proxy agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Jiajujiu, and its shareholders. Under each shareholder voting rights proxy agreement, the shareholders of each variable interest entity have granted to any person designated by the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company the power to exercise all voting rights to which such shareholder is then entitled as a shareholder of the applicable variable interest entity. Each shareholder voting rights proxy agreement has a term of twenty years. If the applicable PRC subsidiary requests for extension of the term by written notice to the other parties to such agreement thirty days in advance, the term of such agreement shall automatically extend for one year after the expiry of the original term, and such extension mechanism shall continue to apply to any extended term of such agreement. Each of Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng is entitled to terminate the applicable shareholder voting rights proxy agreement if any of the applicable consolidated variable interest entity or its shareholders materially breaches the agreement and fails to rectify the breach within a reasonable period or within ten days upon written request from Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue or Beijing Maiteng, as applicable. The applicable consolidated variable interest entity and its shareholders are not entitled to terminate this agreement early unless otherwise provided by PRC law.

Equity Pledge Agreement. Our wholly owned indirect subsidiary, Shanghai SINA Leju, has entered into an equity pledge agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Leju, and its shareholders. Our wholly owned indirect subsidiary, Shanghai Yi Yue, has entered into an equity pledge agreement with our variable interest entity, Shanghai Yi Xin, and its shareholders. Our PRC subsidiary, Beijing Maiteng, has entered into an equity pledge agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Jiajujiu, and its shareholders. Under each such equity pledge agreement, all of the equity interest in the applicable variable interest entity is pledged to the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company to guarantee the performance of the obligations of such variable interest entity and its shareholders under the relevant exclusive call option agreement, loan agreement, shareholder voting rights proxy agreement and in the case of Beijing Leju, the exclusive technical support agreement. If any of the variable interest entity or their respective shareholders were to breach its or such shareholder s contractual obligations, as the case may be, the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company, as pledgee, would be entitled to certain rights, including the right to sell the pledged equity interests and to be compensated from the sales proceeds in priority. Furthermore, each shareholder of each variable interest entity has agreed not to transfer, sell, pledge, dispose of or otherwise create any new encumbrance on their equity interest in such variable interest entity without the prior written consent of the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company. The equity pledge rights of each of our PRC subsidiaries under the equity pledge agreement will expire when the applicable variable interest entity and its shareholders have fully performed their respective obligations under each of the above agreements. None of the equity pledge agreements includes a provision for early termination by any party.

Agreements that Transfer Economic Benefits of the consolidated variable interest entities to Us

Exclusive Technical Support Agreement. Our wholly owned indirect subsidiary, Shanghai SINA Leju, has entered into an exclusive technical support agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Leju. Our wholly owned indirect

subsidiary, Shanghai Yi Yue, has entered into an exclusive technical support agreement with our variable interest entity, Shanghai Yi Xin. Our PRC subsidiary, Beijing Maiteng, has entered into an exclusive technical support agreement with our variable interest entity, Beijing Jiajujiu. Pursuant to each such exclusive technical support agreement the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company provides the applicable variable interest entity with a series of technical support services and is entitled to receive related fees. Each exclusive technical support agreement will expire upon dissolution of the applicable variable interest entity. Each of Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng is entitled to terminate the applicable exclusive technical support agreement early if (i) the applicable consolidated variable interest entity breaches the agreement, and within 30 days upon written notice, fails to rectify its breach, take sufficient, effective and timely measures to eliminate the effects of breach, and compensate for any losses incurred by the breach; (ii) the applicable consolidated variable interest entity is bankrupt or is subject to any liquidation procedures and such procedures are not revoked within seven days; or (iii) due to any event of force majeure, the applicable consolidated variable interest entity s failure to perform its obligations under the agreement lasts for over 20 days. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, each of Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng is entitled to terminate the agreement early at any time by sending a written notice 20 days in advance, for any reason. None of the exclusive technical support agreements includes a provision for early termination by any consolidated variable interest entity. Unless expressly provided by this agreement, without prior written consent of the applicable PRC subsidiary of our Company, the applicable variable interest entity may not engage any third party to provide the services offered by such PRC subsidiary under this agreement.

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In the opinion of Fangda Partners, our PRC legal counsel:

- The ownership structures of Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu described above are in compliance with existing PRC laws and regulations; and
- Each of the contractual arrangements described above, in each case governed by PRC law, is valid and binding and enforceable in accordance with their respective terms based on currently effective PRC laws and regulations, and do not violate PRC laws or regulations currently in effect.

However, as advised by Fangda Partners, our PRC legal counsel, there are substantial uncertainties regarding the interpretation and application of current or future PRC laws, rules and regulations, and accordingly, there can be no assurance that the PRC regulatory authorities will not ultimately take a contrary view from that of our PRC legal counsel. We have been further advised by our PRC legal counsel that if the PRC regulatory authorities determine that our contractual arrangements for operating our internet and advertising business in China do not comply with PRC government restrictions on foreign investment in such industries, we could be subject to severe penalties. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Corporate Structure If the PRC government finds that the agreements that establish the structure for operating our advertising services business and online real estate business in China do not comply with PRC governmental restrictions on foreign investment in the advertising industry or the internet information service industry, we could be subject to severe penalties and Our ability to enforce the equity pledge agreements between us and the shareholders of Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin or Beijing Jiajujiu may be subject to limitations based on PRC laws and regulations. In addition, see Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business In China Substantial uncertainties exist with respect to the enactment timetable, interpretation and implementation of draft PRC Foreign Investment Law and how it may impact the viability of our current corporate structure, corporate governance and business operations.

D. <u>Property, Plants and Equipment</u>

Our principal executive offices are located at Beijing Shoudong International Plaza, with approximately 6,377 square meters of office space. Our headquarters has been at this location since January 2012. As of December 31, 2015, we leased properties with an aggregate gross floor area of approximately 54,194 square meters for our 57 local offices across China and at our Hong Kong office. Our leased properties mainly consist of office premises, a portion of which are leased from related parties. We believe our existing leased premises are adequate for our current business operations and that additional space can be obtained on commercially reasonable terms to meet our future requirements.

ITEM 4A. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

You should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this annual report on Form 20-F. This discussion may contain forward-looking statements based upon current expectations that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including those set forth under
Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors or in other parts of this annual report on Form 20-F.

A. <u>Operating Results</u>

Overview

We are a leading O2O real estate services provider in China. We offer real estate e-commerce, online advertising and online listing services through our online platform, which comprises local websites covering over 260 cities and various mobile applications. We integrate our online platform with complementary offline services to facilitate residential property transactions. In addition to our own websites, we also operate various real estate and home furnishing websites of SINA. We had also operated Baidu s real estate and home furnishing websites until December 31, 2015. Moreover, we operate official accounts on various mobile platforms, including over 50,000 on Weibo and over 70,000 on Weixin.

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E-Commerce. We offer e-commerce services primarily in connection with new residential property sales. Our O2O services for new residential properties include selling discount coupons and facilitating online property viewing, physical property visits and pre-sale customer support. We earn revenue primarily from the sale of discount coupons used for property purchases. Our revenues from e-commerce services in 2013, 2014 and 2015 were \$170.2 million, \$326.7 million and \$420.6 million, respectively, representing 50.7%, 65.9% and 73.0%, respectively, of our total revenues for those periods.

Online Advertising. We currently sell advertising primarily on the SINA new residential properties and home furnishing websites, which are operated by us. We also had similar arrangement with Baidu until December 31, 2015. In addition, we are the exclusive advertising agent for the SINA home page and non-real estate websites with respect to advertising sold to real estate and home furnishing advertisers. We also had the exclusive right to sell Baidu s Brand-Link product within the real estate industry until December 31, 2015. Our revenues from online advertising services in 2013, 2014 and 2015 were \$145.4 million, \$155.1 million and \$134.2 million, respectively, representing 43.4%, 31.2% and 23.3%, respectively, of our total revenues for those periods.

Listing. We offer fee-based online property listing services to real estate agents and free services to individual property sellers. We currently operate the SINA real estate websites for listings of existing residential properties for sale or lease. We also operated the Baidu real estate websites for such listing until December 31, 2015. Our revenues from listing services in 2013, 2014 and 2015 were \$19.8 million, \$14.3 million and \$21.0 million, respectively, representing 5.9%, 2.9% and 3.7%, respectively, of our total revenues for those periods.

We have experienced substantial growth in recent years. Our total revenues have increased from \$335.4 million in 2013 to \$496.0 million in 2014 and to \$575.8 million in 2015. We generated net income of \$42.7 million, \$66.7 million and \$34.8 million in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. We had adjusted net income of \$63.4 million, \$90.9 million and \$56.9 million in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. Substantially all of our operations are in China. For information regarding adjusted net income, see Selected Consolidated Financial Data Non-GAAP Financial Measures .

Significant Factors Affecting Our Results of Operations

The PRC real estate industry

Our results of operations have been, and are expected to continue to be, affected by the general performance of China s real estate industry. Conditions in China s real estate industry have a significant impact on each of our business segments, and in particular on our new home business, which relies significantly on the volume of new property launches by property developments and market transaction volume. The following factors typically have a significant impact on China s real estate industry:

- Economic growth, speed of urbanization and demand for residential and commercial properties in China. China s economic growth has been primarily concentrated in China s urban areas, and economic growth, higher standards of living, population growth and urbanization are primary drivers of demand for the purchase or rental of residential properties. Because we focus on China s urban areas, China s economic growth and urbanization are important to our operations. The PRC property industry is dependent on the overall economic growth in China and the associated demand for residential properties.
- Government policies. The PRC government exercises considerable direct and indirect influence over the real estate industry through its policies and other economic measures. The PRC government regulates real estate purchases and taxation associated with real estate transactions. For greater detail see Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Business Our business is susceptible to fluctuations in China s real estate industry, which may materially and adversely affect our results of operations and Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Business Our business may be materially and adversely affected by government measures aimed at China s real estate industry. The imposition of new policies, laws and regulations, or changes to current polices, laws and regulations, could have a material impact on the real estate market in China, which would affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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- Availability and cost of credit. The availability and cost of credit have a substantial effect on customers ability to purchase properties and the prices they can afford to pay. This impacts the number of properties that developers are able to market and sell, which is a significant factor affecting our results of operations. The PRC government regulates the proportion of the purchase price of a property that may be financed with credit and the price of credit is generally a function of benchmark interest rates. To the extent that fluctuations in interest rates or regulatory changes impact the availability and cost of financing for property purchases, conditions in the real estate industry, and our results of operations, would be affected.
- Supply of new residential real estate projects. The growth of the PRC real estate industry depends largely on the launch of new residential real estate projects at affordable prices. Factors such as the overall economy, competition and government land policies can affect the price and availability of new projects. The PRC government and relevant local authorities control various aspects of new projects, including the amount and cost of land for development, each of which affects the supply of new developments and our results of operations.

The PRC internet industry

We are an internet company and a majority of our revenue is generated from our e-commerce and online advertising services provided on our websites. Therefore, our results of operations are heavily dependent on the continued development of China is internet industry. The internet has emerged as an increasingly attractive and cost-effective advertising channel in China. However, the internet industry in China is heavily regulated. PRC laws, rules and regulations cover virtually every aspect of the internet industry, including entry into the industry, the scope of permissible business activities and foreign investment. Furthermore, the PRC government levies business taxes, value-added taxes, surcharges and cultural construction fees on advertising-related sales in China, such as sales of our e-commerce, online advertising, listing and other value-added services. In addition, because certain of our PRC subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities currently qualify as high and new technology enterprises, they enjoy tax holidays from the relevant PRC tax authorities or under local governmental policies. The imposition of new laws and regulations, or changes to current laws and regulations, could have a material impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our ability to innovate and market acceptance of our e-commerce services

We operate in a competitive industry and the extent to which we are able to provide innovative e-commerce services that are attractive to developers and prospective property purchasers has a material effect on our results of operations. For example, we pioneered e-commerce services in China s real estate market in April 2011 by offering online auctions as a promotional tool for our partner developers. In early 2012, we introduced property price discount coupons as a means of generating buyers for our partner developers in conjunction with online advertising and offline customer origination. In November 2013, we formed a strategic partnership with CITIC, pursuant to which CITIC introduced Leju Loan through our online platform. Our results of operations will continue to be significantly affected by the extent to which our evolving e-commerce services, including any future innovations that we may introduce, achieve success in the market.

Our ability to maintain and expand our online platform

Consumers are able to access our services through various websites and mobile applications, our telephone call center and at property showrooms and other physical locations. Our internet presence includes local websites across China that we either operate directly or outsource to local outsourcing partners. We operate a variety of websites pursuant to our arrangements with SINA. Since many of our customers in our new home business are one-time property buyers, we depend on our online platform as a key driver for bringing in new business. The costs of maintaining and expanding our online platform in order to continue to reach a broad base of customers, and our ability to maintain our relationships with SINA, has a significant effect on our results of operations.

Our ability to compete effectively

We face competition in each of our main business activities. We compete with other e-commerce providers for market share in key markets, relationships with developers and for the acquisition of web traffic. We compete for talent with other online businesses and to a lesser extent with traditional businesses. Our industry has become increasingly competitive, and such competition may continue to intensify in future periods. As the barriers to entry for establishing internet-based businesses are typically low, it is possible for new entrants to emerge and rapidly scale up their operations. We expect additional companies to enter the online real estate and home-related internet service industry in China and a wider range of online services in this area to be introduced.

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Our ability to expand into new geographic areas in China

A majority of our revenues is concentrated in China s major urban centers including Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Chongqing and Tianjin. We expect them to continue to represent a significant portion of our revenues in the near term. We also may expand into new geographic areas and sectors and increase our market share in areas and sectors where we currently operate. As of December 31, 2015, we had established real estate-related content, search services, marketing and listing coverage of over 260 cities across China. Our ability to succeed in newly penetrated cities and cities where we intend to increase our presence will have a substantial impact on our results of operations, and we may incur significant additional operating expenses, including hiring new sales and other personnel, in order to expand our operations.

Selected Statement of Operations Items

Revenues

E-commerce. Our e-commerce services primarily include discount coupon advertising and online property auctions. We also provide property viewing and pre-sale customer support free of charge in connection with the sale of discount coupons and online property auctions. E-commerce revenues are principally generated from selling discount coupons to potential property buyers, which allow buyers to purchase specified properties from real estate developers at discounts greater than the face value of the fees charged by us. The discount coupons are refundable to the buyers at any time before they are used to purchase the specified properties. We recognize such e-commerce revenues upon obtaining confirmation letters that prove the use of coupons by property buyers, and when collections are reasonably assured. Revenues are recognized based on the net proceeds received as we act as a marketing agent of the property developer in such transactions.

Online advertising. Revenues from online advertising services are generated principally from online advertising arrangements, sponsorship arrangements, and to a lesser extent, outsourcing arrangements and keyword advertising arrangements. Online advertising arrangements allow advertisers to place advertisements on particular areas of the websites we operate, in particular formats and over particular periods of time. Advertising revenues from online advertising arrangements are recognized ratably over the contract period of display when collectability is reasonably assured. Sponsorship arrangements allow advertisers to sponsor a particular area on our websites in exchange for a fixed payment over the contract period. Advertising revenues from sponsorship arrangements are recognized ratably over the contract period. We also generate online advertising revenues from outsourcing certain regional sites for a fixed period of time to local outsourcing partners. In such cases, we earn a fixed advertising fee payable by the local outsourcing partner, who are responsible for both website operation and related advertising sales. Advertising revenues from hosted websites are recognized ratably over the term of the contract. Keyword advertising revenues are recognized ratably over the contract period when collectability is reasonably assured.

Listing. We provide online property listing services to secondary brokers and individual property sellers. Listing services entitle secondary brokers to post and make changes to information for properties in a particular area on the website for a specified period of time, in exchange for a fixed fee. Listing revenues are recognized ratably over the contract period of display when collectability is reasonably assured.

Deferred revenues are recognized when payments are received in advance of revenue recognition.

Cost of revenues

Cost of revenues consists of costs associated with the production of websites, which includes fees paid to third parties for internet connection, content and services, editorial personnel related costs, amortization of intangible assets, depreciation associated with website production equipment and fees paid to SINA for advertising on non-real estate channels.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses comprise marketing expenses, compensation and benefits for personnel other than editorial personnel, expenses of third-party professional services, rental payments relating to office and administrative functions and depreciation, amortization of property and equipment used in our corporate offices and other administrative expenses. Our selling, general and administrative expenses also include amortization of intangible assets that do not relate to internet content, including our license agreement with SINA. Selling general and administrative expenses also include bad debt expenses. Bad debt can result from developer customers not paying amounts owing to us for services rendered and in cases where third parties to whom we outsource certain websites fail to pay fixed fees owed to us.

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Marketing and advertising expenses consist primarily of targeted online and offline marketing costs for promoting our e-commerce projects, increasing our visibility and building our brand, such as Leju property visit, sponsored marketing campaigns, online or print advertising, public relations and sponsored events. We expense all marketing advertising costs as incurred and record these costs within Selling, general and administrative expenses on the consolidated statements of operations when incurred. Our direct marketing activities are intended to attract subscribers for online advertising and potential property buyers to purchase the discount coupon.

Share-based compensation expense

In 2013, 2014 and 2015, a portion of our share-based compensation expense related to E-House s allocation to us of share-based compensation expenses of their senior management. These allocations were made using a proportional cost allocation method and were based on revenues, headcount as well as estimates of actual time spent on the provision of services attributable to our company.

In November 2013, we adopted a share incentive plan, or the Leju Plan, which allows us to offer a variety of share-based incentive awards to employees, officers, directors and individual consultants who render services to us. The plan permits the grant of three types of awards: options, restricted shares and restricted share units. The maximum number of shares that may be issued pursuant to all awards under the Leju Plan is 10,434,783 ordinary shares initially, and will be increased automatically by 5% of the then total outstanding shares on an as-converted fully diluted basis on each of the third, sixth and ninth anniversaries of the effective date of the Leju Plan.

On December 1, 2013, we granted options to certain of our employees and certain of E-House s employees for the purchase of 7,192,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$4.60 per share, pursuant to the Leju Plan. The options expire ten years from the date of grant. The options vest ratably at each grant date anniversary over a period of three years. The grant-date fair value of the options granted was \$2.21 per share. On December 16, 2013, we replaced 600,000 options granted to two of our directors with the same number of restricted shares, with all other substantive terms remaining unchanged. On January 21, 2014, we replaced 60,000 options granted to one E-House employee with the same number of restricted shares, with all other substantive terms remaining unchanged. There is no incremental compensation cost from the replacement.

On March 18, 2014, we granted 866,000 restricted shares to certain of our employees and independent directors. The restricted shares vest ratably at each grant date anniversary over a period of three years. On August 21, 2014, we granted 229,400 restricted shares to certain of our employees. These restricted shares have fully vested on April 21, 2015.

Pursuant to the Leju Plan, we granted (i) options to certain of our employees for the purchase of 501,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$9.68 per share, on April 28, 2015, (ii) options to certain of our employees for the purchase of 30,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$7.00 per share, on August 7, 2015, (iii) options to certain of our employees and certain of E-House s employees for the purchase of 1,986,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$5.54 per share, on December 14, 2015. The options expire ten years from the date of grant and vest ratably at each anniversary of the grant date over a period of three years.

As of March 31, 2016, the aggregate number of our ordinary shares underlying outstanding options granted under the Leju Plan is 7,931,718 and the aggregated number of outstanding restricted shares granted under the Leju Plan is 506,672.

In 2015, we recorded compensation expenses of \$9.3 million for the options and restricted shares granted to our employees and directors under the Leju Plan, and \$1.1 million in dividends to E-House for the options and restricted shares granted to employees and directors of E-House under the Leju Plan. As of December 31, 2015, we had \$15.9 million of total unrecognized compensation expenses related to unvested share options and restricted shares granted under the Leju Plan, which we expect to be recognize over a weighted-average period of 1.9 years.

In 2015, our subsidiary, Omnigold adopted a share incentive plan, or the Omnigold Plan, pursuant to which (i) the maximum number of shares of Omnigold available for issuance pursuant to all awards under the Omnigold Plan, or the Omnigold Award Pool, is initially 5,000,000 as of the date on which the Omnigold Plan was approved and adopted by the board of directors of Omnigold, or the Omnigold Plan Effective Date, and (ii) the Omnigold Award Pool is increased automatically by 5% of the then total issued and outstanding shares of Omnigold on an as-converted fully diluted basis on each of the third, sixth and ninth anniversary of the Omnigold Plan Effective Date.

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On August 11, 2015, Omnigold granted 2,400,000 options to purchase its ordinary shares to certain of our employees at an exercise price of \$1.50 per share. The options expire ten years from the date of grant and vest ratably at each anniversary of the grant date over a period of three years.

In 2015, we recorded compensation expenses of \$80,577 for the options and restricted shares granted to our employees and directors under the Omnigold Plan. As of December 31, 2015, we had \$0.5 million of total unrecognized compensation expenses related to unvested share options and restricted shares granted under the Omnigold Plan, which we expect to be recognize over a weighted-average period of 2.6 years.

Other Operating Income

Our other operating income primarily relates to cash subsidies received by our subsidiaries in the PRC from local governments to encourage us to operate in certain local districts.

Interest Income

We earn interest income primarily from bank deposits.

Other loss, net

Other loss (net) relates to amortized discounts relating to liability for our exclusive rights purchased from Baidu, in addition to foreign exchange loss/(gain).

Our reporting currency is the U.S. dollar, while certain of our subsidiaries have functional currencies other than the U.S. dollar, such as the Renminbi and Hong Kong dollar. Transactions in other currencies are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing when the transactions occur. Transaction gains and losses are recognized in the consolidated statements of operations.

Income Tax

We are incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company. Under the current law of the Cayman Islands, we are not subject to income or capital gains tax in the Cayman Islands. Our subsidiaries in the British Virgin Islands are not subject to income or capital gains tax in the British Virgin Islands. Our subsidiaries in Hong Kong are subject to a profit tax at the rate of 16.5% on assessable profit determined under relevant Hong Kong tax regulations.

The EIT Law applies a uniform 25% enterprise income tax rate to both foreign-invested enterprises and domestic enterprises, except where a special preferential rate applies. In addition, the EIT Law also provides a five-year transitional period starting from its effective date for those enterprises that were established before March 16, 2007, the date of promulgation of the EIT Law, and that were entitled to preferential income tax rates under the then effective tax laws or regulations.

Shanghai SINA Leju and Shanghai Fangxin, our subsidiaries in China, were granted software enterprise status, which qualifies these companies for certain tax exemptions. Shanghai SINA Leju is exempt from 100% of income taxes for 2009 and has a 50% income tax rate reduction to 12.5% from 2010 through 2012. Shanghai Fangxin is exempt from 100% of income taxes for 2012 and 2013 and has a 50% reduction in its income tax rate, or a rate of 12.5%, from 2014 through 2016. Shanghai SINA Leju was designated a High and New Technology Enterprise entitled to a favorable statutory tax rate of 15% for 2013 and 2014. Shanghai SINA Leju renewed its qualification of high and new technology enterprise in 2015 and is entitled to enjoy a favorable statutory tax rate of 15% from 2015 through 2017.

We have a tax benefit due to losses incurred in past years. Under PRC tax law we are permitted to carry forward losses for up to five years. We may have a tax benefit for periods for which we were profitable on a consolidated basis to the extent our consolidated entities that incurred losses during the period were subject to income tax at a higher effective tax rate as compared with consolidated entities that earned profits during the period.

Under the EIT Law, dividends payable to a non-PRC resident enterprise from our PRC subsidiaries are subject to a withholding tax which may be as high as 20%, although under the detailed implementation rules of the EIT Law promulgated by the PRC authorities the effective withholding tax is currently 10%. Dividends of PRC subsidiaries that are directly held by Hong Kong entities may benefit from a reduced withholding tax rate of 5% pursuant to the Arrangement between Mainland China and Hong Kong for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, subject to the approval from the relevant local branch of the State Administration of Taxation in accordance with the Administrative Measures on Tax Treaty Treatment of Nonresidents (Trial) and other relevant tax rules. Our Hong Kong subsidiaries have not sought approval for such preferential withholding tax rate, given that no dividends have been paid by their respective PRC subsidiaries. Dividends from our Hong Kong subsidiaries are exempt from withholding tax. Dividend payments are not subject to withholding tax in the British Virgin Islands or the Cayman Islands.

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Under the EIT Law, enterprises that are established under the laws of foreign countries or regions and whose de facto management bodies are located within the PRC territory are considered PRC resident enterprises, and will be subject to the PRC enterprise income tax at the rate of 25% on their worldwide income. Under the implementation rules of the EIT Law, de facto management bodies are defined as the bodies that have material and overall management and control over the manufacturing and business operations, personnel and human resources, finances and treasury, and acquisition and disposition of properties and other assets of an enterprise. It remains unclear how the PRC tax authorities will interpret such a broad definition. We cannot assure you that we will not be deemed to be a PRC resident enterprise under the EIT Law and be subject to the PRC enterprise income tax at the rate of 25% on our worldwide income. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business in China Dividends payable to us by our PRC subsidiaries may be subject to PRC withholding taxes or we may be subject to PRC withholding taxes under the EIT Law and our investors may be subject to PRC withholding taxes under the EIT Law and our investors may be subject to PRC withholding taxes under the EIT Law

Loss from equity in affiliates

Affiliate companies are entities over which we have significant influence but do not control. Investment in affiliates is accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Under this method, our share of the post-acquisition profits or loss of affiliated companies is recognized as income/(loss) from equity in affiliates in the income statement.

Net income attributable to non-controlling interest

Net income attributable to non-controlling interest relates to the minority interest in non-wholly-owned subsidiaries that we consolidate.

Results of Operations

The following table sets forth a summary of our consolidated results of operations for the periods indicated. This information should be read together with our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this annual report. The operating results in any period are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any future period.

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2013	2014	2015	
	(in thousands	(in thousands of \$, except share and per share data)		
Revenues:				
E-commerce	170,205	326,680	420,552	
Online advertising	145,445	155,050	134,229	
Listing	19,772	14,293	21,023	
Total revenues	335,422	496,023	575,804	
Cost of revenues	(63,991)	(51,130)	(60,314)	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(226,143)	(366,342)	(475,445)	
Other operating income	600	2,526	3,568	
Income from operations	45,888	81,077	43,613	

Interest income	1,082	1,316	1,167
Other income (loss), net	(1,185)	36	290
Investment income			271
Income before taxes and equity in affiliates	45,785	82,429	45,341
Income tax expense	(3,066)	(15,546)	(10,307)
Income before equity in affiliates	42,719	66,883	35,034
Loss from equity in affiliates	(69)	(224)	(228)
Net income	42,650	66,659	34,806
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	125	138	(524)
Net income attributable to Leju shareholders	42,525	66,521	35,330
Earnings per share:			
Basic	0.35	0.51	0.26
Diluted	0.35	0.50	0.26
Weighted average numbers of shares used in computation:			
Basic	120,000,000	129,320,666	134,528,971
Diluted	120,000,000	132,502,100	136,223,974

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Year Ended December 31, 2015 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2014

Total revenues. Total revenues increased 16% from \$496.0 million in 2014 to \$575.8 million in 2015, primarily driven by the growth of revenues from our e-commerce services and listing services, partially offset by a decrease in revenues from online advertising services. E-commerce revenues increased 29% from \$326.7 million in 2014 to \$420.6 million in 2015 primarily due to an increase in the average price per discount coupon redeemed, partially offset by the decrease in the number of discount coupons redeemed. We began to sell discount coupons in the first quarter of 2012 and this business grew substantially from 2013 to 2015. We sold a total of 303,946 discount coupons in 2015, 203,394 of which were redeemed. Online advertising revenues decreased 13% from \$155.1 million in 2014 to \$134.2 million in 2015 primarily due to a decrease in online advertising demand from property developers. Listing revenues increased 47% from \$14.3 million in 2014 to \$21.0 million in 2015 primarily due to growth in secondary home sales.

Cost of revenues. Cost of revenues increased 18% from \$51.1 million in 2014 to \$60.3 million in 2015 primarily due to increased staff cost of editorial department as a result of increased headcount in that department, as well as and increased amortization expenses of intangible assets consisting of exclusive rights.

Selling, general and administrative expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased 30% from \$366.3 million in 2014 to \$475.4 million in 2015 primarily due to increased marketing expenses related to the growth of the our e-commerce business as a result of our efforts to maintain our market shares in the increasingly competitive market.

Other operating income. Other operating income was \$3.6 million in 2015, compared to \$2.5 million in 2014, due to increased cash subsidies received from local governments.

Income (loss) from operations. As a result of the foregoing, our income from operations was \$43.6 million in 2015, compared to \$81.1 million in 2014.

Interest income. Interest income was \$1.2 million in 2015, remaining relatively flat compared to \$1.3 million in 2014.

Other income (loss), net. We had other net income of \$0.3 million in 2015, compared to \$35,799 in 2014, due to a foreign exchange gain of \$0.2 million in 2015 and reimbursement income of \$133,398 from our depository agent.

Income tax expense. Income tax expense was \$10.3 million in 2015, compared to \$15.5 million 2014, due to decreased income before taxes and equity in affiliates from \$82.4 million in 2014 to \$45.3 million in 2015.

Net income. As a result of the foregoing, our net income decreased by 48% from \$66.7 million in 2014 to \$34.8 million in 2015.

Year Ended December 31, 2014 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2013

Total revenues. Total revenues increased 47.9% to \$496.0 million in 2014 from \$335.4 million in 2013, primarily due to increased revenues from our e-commerce business. E-commerce revenues increased 91.9% to \$326.7 million in 2014 from \$170.2 million in 2013 primarily due to a substantial increase in discount coupon redeemed as a result of the expansion of our e-commerce business through partnerships with more property developers. We began to sell discount coupons in the first quarter of 2012 and this business grew substantially in 2013 and 2014. We sold a total of 323,495 discount coupons in 2014, 219,557 of which were redeemed. Online advertising revenues increased 6.6% to \$155.1 million in 2014 from \$145.4 million in 2013 primarily due to increased revenues from our new home and home furnishing channels. Listing revenues decreased 27.7% to \$14.3 million in 2014 from \$19.8 million in 2013 primarily due to slowdown in the market of secondary home sales.

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Cost of revenues. Cost of revenues decreased 20.1% to \$51.1 million in 2014 from \$64.0 million in 2013 primarily due to decreased fees paid to third parties for services in connection with our listing business and decreased amortization expenses of intangible assets related to internet content.

Selling, general and administrative expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased 62.0% to \$366.3 million in 2014 from \$226.1 million in 2013 primarily due to increased marketing expenses related to the growth of our e-commerce business, as well as increased staff costs and bonuses resulting from increased headcount and improved profits.

Other operating income. Other operating income was \$2.5 million in 2014, compared to \$0.6 million in 2013, due to increased cash subsidies received from local governments.

Income from operations. As a result of the foregoing, our income from operations was \$81.1 million in 2014, compared to \$45.9 million in 2013.

Interest income. Interest income was \$1.3 million in 2014, compared to \$1.1 million in 2013, due to increased funds on deposit.

Other income (loss), net. We had other net income of \$0.04 million in 2014, compared to other net loss of \$1.2 million in 2013 due to a foreign exchange gain of \$0.09 in 2014, partially offset by a 94.3% reduction in amortized discounts related to liability for exclusive rights with Baidu to \$0.05 million in 2014 from \$0.9 million in 2013 resulting from a decrease in the balance payable to Baidu as a result of installments paid and an extended period for exclusive rights.

Income tax expense. Income tax expense was \$15.5 million 2014, compared to \$3.1 million in 2013, due to increased income before taxes and equity in affiliates to \$82.4 million in 2014 from \$45.8 million in 2013, and decreased preferential tax treatment received by a major subsidiary, which was exempted from income tax in 2013 and entitled to a 50% reduction in 2014.

Net income. As a result of the foregoing, our net income increased by 56.3% to \$66.7 million in 2014 from \$42.7 million in 2013.

Critical Accounting Policies

We prepare our financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP, which requires us to make judgments, estimates and assumptions. We continually evaluate these estimates and assumptions based on the most recently available information, our own historical experience and various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Since the use of estimates is an integral component of the financial reporting process, actual results could differ from our expectations as a result of changes in our estimates.

An accounting policy is considered critical if it requires an accounting estimate to be made based on assumptions about matters that are highly uncertain at the time such estimate is made and if different accounting estimates that reasonably could have been used, or changes in the accounting estimates that are reasonably likely to occur, could materially impact the consolidated financial statements. We believe that the following accounting policies involve a higher degree of judgment and complexity in their application and require us to make significant accounting estimates. The following descriptions of critical accounting policies, judgments and estimates should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and other disclosures included in this annual report.

Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue when there is persuasive evidence of an arrangement, service has been rendered, the sales price is fixed or determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. Revenues are recorded, net of sales related taxes.

We generate online real estate revenues principally from e-commerce, online advertising, and listing services.

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We offer e-commerce services primarily in connection with our O2O services for new residential properties, including facilitating property viewing, pre-sale customer support, discount coupon advertising, and online property auctions. Property viewing and pre-sale customer support are supporting services provided free of charge in connection with discount coupon sales and online property auctions. We earn revenue primarily from the sale of discount coupons used for property purchases. Those discount coupons allow buyers to purchase specified properties from real estate developers at discounts greater than the purchase price of the discount coupons charged by us. The discount coupons are refundable at any time before they are redeemed by the buyer to purchase the specified properties. We recognize such e-commerce revenues upon obtaining confirmation letters that prove the use of coupons by property buyers, and when collections of the revenue from sales of discount coupons are reasonably assured. Revenues are recognized based on the net proceeds received.

Revenue from online advertising services is generated principally from online advertising arrangements, sponsorship arrangements, and to a lesser extent, outsourcing arrangements, and keyword advertising arrangements. Online advertising arrangements allow advertisers to place advertisements on particular areas of the websites we operate, in particular formats and over particular periods of time. Advertising revenues from online advertising arrangements are recognized ratably over the contract period of display when collectability is reasonably assured. Sponsorship arrangements allow advertisers to sponsor a particular area on our websites in exchange for a fixed payment over the contract period. Advertising revenues from sponsorship arrangements are recognized ratably over the contract period. We also generate online advertising revenues from outsourcing certain regional sites for a fixed period of time to local outsourcing partners, who are responsible for both website operation and related advertising sales. Advertising revenues from outsourced websites are recognized ratably over the term of the contract. Keyword advertising revenues are recognized ratably over the contract period when collectability is reasonably assured.

We also provide listing services to real estate brokers. Listing services entitle real estate brokers to post and make changes to information for properties in a particular area on the website for a specified period of time, in exchange for a fixed fee. Listing revenues are recognized ratably over the contract period of display when collectability is reasonably assured.

Deferred revenues are recognized when payments are received in advance of revenue recognition.

Variable Interest Entities

PRC laws and regulations currently restrict foreign entities without the required operating track record from investing in companies that provide internet content and advertising services in China. Since we have not been involved in internet information services or advertising services outside China to satisfy the track record requirement, to comply with the PRC laws and regulations, we conduct substantially all of our online advertising and e-commerce business through Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu, our consolidated variable interest entities, and their subsidiaries and branches. We have, through three of our subsidiaries in the PRC, entered into contractual arrangements with Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin, Beijing Jiajujiu and their shareholders such that Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu are considered variable interest entities for which we are considered their primary beneficiary. We believe we have substantive kick-out rights pursuant to the terms of the exclusive call option agreements, which give us the power to control the shareholders of these consolidated variable interest entities. More specifically, we believe that the terms of the exclusive call option agreements are currently exercisable and legally enforceable under PRC laws and regulations. We also believe that the minimum amount of consideration permitted by the applicable PRC law to exercise the option does not represent a financial barrier or disincentive for us to exercise our rights under the exclusive call option agreements. Under our shareholder voting rights proxy agreements with the consolidated variable interest entities and their shareholders, each of the shareholders of the consolidated variable interest entities irrevocably grants any person designated by us the power to exercise all voting rights to which he is entitled to as shareholder of the consolidated variable interest entities at that time. Therefore, we believe this gives us the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the consolidated variable interest entities economic performance. We believe that our ability to exercise effective control, together with the exclusive technical support agreements and the

equity pledge agreements, give us the rights to receive substantially all of the economic benefits from the consolidated variable interest entities in consideration for the services provided by our subsidiaries in China. Accordingly, as the primary beneficiary of the consolidated variable interest entities and in accordance with U.S. GAAP, we consolidate their financial results and assets and liabilities in our consolidated financial statements.

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In 2013, 2014 and 2015, entities apart from our consolidated variable interest entities contributed in aggregate 5.7%, 2.3% and 3.0%, respectively, of our total net revenues. Our operations not conducted through contractual arrangements with our consolidated variable interest entities primarily consist of outsourcing arrangements business, support services for online advertising business and agency services included with our e-commerce business. The following table sets forth our revenues, cost of revenues and net income for the consolidated variable interest entities and other group entities which are not our consolidated variable interest entities for the years indicated:

	Variable interest	2015	
	entities	Other entities (in thousands of \$)	Total
Total revenues	558,715	17,089	575,804
Cost of revenues	(48,032)	(12,282)	(60,314)
Net income	3,308	31,498	34,806
	Variable interest	2014	
	entities	Other entities (in thousands of \$)	Total
Total revenues	484,512	11,511	496,023
Cost of revenues	(41,219)	(9,911)	(51,130)
Net income	2,532	64,127	66,659
		2013	
	Variable interest		
	entities	Other entities (in thousands of \$)	Total
Total revenues	316,272	19,150	335,422
Cost of revenues	(58,254)	(5,737)	(63,991)
Net income	1,285	41,365	42,650

As of December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, entities apart from our consolidated variable interest entities accounted for an aggregate of 46.6%, 57.3% and 54.2%, respectively, of our total assets. The assets not associated with our consolidated variable interest entities primarily consist of cash, intangible assets and goodwill. The total assets held by the consolidated variable interest entities and other group entities which are not our consolidated variable interest entities were \$215.2 million and \$187.7 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2013, \$272.6 million and \$365.7 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2014, and \$287.2 million and \$339.6 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2015.

Pursuant to contractual arrangements that Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng have with our consolidated variable interest entities, the earnings and cash of our consolidated variable interest entities are used to pay service fees in Renminbi to three of our PRC subsidiaries in the manner and amount set forth in these agreements. After paying the applicable withholding taxes and making appropriations for its statutory reserve requirement, the remaining net profits of our PRC subsidiaries would be available for distribution to our offshore companies. As of December 31, 2015, the net assets of our PRC subsidiaries and our consolidated variable interest entities which were restricted due to statutory reserve requirements and other applicable laws and regulations, and thus not available for distribution, was in aggregate \$33.8 million. As an offshore holding company of our PRC subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities, we may make loans to our PRC subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities. Any loans to our PRC subsidiaries are subject to registrations with relevant governmental authorities in China. We may also finance our subsidiaries by means of capital contributions. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business in China PRC regulation of loans and direct

investment by offshore holding companies to PRC entities may delay or prevent us from making loans or additional capital contributions to our PRC operating subsidiaries.

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Furthermore, cash transfers from our PRC subsidiaries to our offshore companies are subject to PRC government control of currency conversion. Restrictions on the availability of foreign currency may affect the ability of our PRC subsidiaries and our consolidated variable interest entities to remit sufficient foreign currency to pay dividends or other payments to us, or otherwise satisfy their foreign currency denominated obligations. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business in China Governmental control of currency conversion may affect the value of your investment. Cash and cash equivalents held by the consolidated variable interest entities was denominated in RMB and amounted to RMB389 million (\$63.8 million, based on an exchange rate of RMB6.0969 to \$1.00 as of December 31, 2013), RMB587 million (\$95.9 million, based on an exchange rate of RMB6.1190 to \$1.00 as of December 31, 2014), and RMB384 million (\$59.2 million, based on an exchange rate of RMB6.4936 to \$1.00 as of December 31, 2015) as of December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

We believe that our contractual arrangements with the consolidated variable interest entities are in compliance with PRC law and are legally enforceable. However, uncertainties in the PRC legal system could limit the our ability to enforce these contractual arrangements and the interests of the shareholders of the consolidated variable interest entities may diverge from that of our company and that may potentially increase the risk that they would seek to act contrary to the contractual terms, for example by influencing the consolidated variable interest entities not to pay the service fees when required to do so.

Allowance of Accounts Receivable and customer deposit

We regularly review the creditworthiness of our customers, and require collateral or other security from our customers in certain circumstances, including existing properties or a right to properties under construction, when accounts receivable become significantly overdue or customer deposits, which was paid to obtain the exclusive e-commerce agent agreement of the real estate development projects, become due but are not duly paid by the real estate developers. In the event of nonpayment, we would then resell the properties or the right to properties under construction for cash. The collection of these secured accounts receivable and customer deposit is dependent on the resale price of the underlying properties, which is subject to the then market conditions.

The carrying value of accounts receivable and customer deposit is reduced by an allowance that reflects our best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected. We make estimations of the collectability of accounts receivable and customer deposit. Many factors are considered in estimating the allowance, including but not limited to reviewing delinquent accounts receivable and customer deposit, performing aging analyses and customer credit analyses, and analyzing historical bad debt records and current economic trends. Additional allowance for specific doubtful accounts and customer deposit might be made if our customers are unable to make payments due to their deteriorating financial conditions.

Evaluation of Goodwill

We perform an annual goodwill impairment test comprised of two steps. The first step compares the fair value of the company to its carrying amount, including goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets. If the fair value of the company exceeds its carrying amount, goodwill is not considered to be impaired and the second step will not be required. If the carrying amount of the company exceeds its fair value, the second step compares the implied fair value of goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets to the carrying value of the company s goodwill. The implied fair value of goodwill is determined in a manner similar to accounting for a business combination with the allocation of the assessed fair value

determined in the first step to the assets and liabilities of the company. The excess of the fair value of the company over the amounts assigned to the assets and liabilities is the implied fair value of goodwill. This allocation process is only performed for purposes of evaluating goodwill impairment and does not result in an entry to adjust the value of any assets or liabilities. An impairment loss is recognized for any excess in the carrying value of goodwill over the implied fair value of goodwill.

We perform a goodwill impairment test for the company as of December 31 of each year or when there is a triggering event causing us to believe it is more likely than not that the carrying amount of goodwill may be impaired.

We utilized the income approach valuation method (level 3). When determining the fair value of the company, we are required to make significant judgments that we believe are reasonable and supportable considering all available internal and external evidence at that time.

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However, these estimates and assumptions by their nature require a higher degree of judgment. Fair value determinations are sensitive to changes in the underlying assumptions and factors including (i) those relating to estimating future operating cash flows to be generated from the company, which is dependent upon internal forecasts and projections developed as part of our routine, long-term planning process; (ii) our strategic plans; and (iii) estimates of long-term growth rates taking into account our assessment of the current economic environment and the timing and degree of any economic recovery.

The assumptions with the most significant impact on the fair value of the company are those relating to (i) future operating cash flows, which are forecasted for a five-year period from management s budget and planning process; (ii) the terminal value, which is included for the period beyond five years from the balance sheet date based on the estimated cash flow in the fifth year and a terminal growth rate of 2%; and (iii) discount rates, which are identified and applied by market-based inputs based on an estimation of weighted average cost of capital considering cost of debt, risk-free rate, equity risk premium, beta, size premium, company-specific risk premium and capital structure. The discount rates used for the year ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015 were 16.7%, 17.0% and 16.0%, respectively.

Examples of events or circumstances that could reasonably be expected to negatively affect the underlying key assumptions and ultimately impact the estimated fair values of the company may include: (i) deterioration of local economies or further slowdown of China s real estate market under the government s continued restrictive policies and further credit tightening measures, which could lead to changes in projected cash flows of us; (ii) an economic recovery that significantly differs from our assumptions, which could change the future growth rate and the terminal growth rate; and (iii) higher cost of capital in the markets, which could result in a higher discount rate. If the assumptions used in the impairment analysis are not met or materially change, we may be required to recognize a goodwill impairment loss which may be material to the financial condition of us.

2015:

Under the first step of the goodwill impairment testing for the year ended December 31, 2015, the fair value of the company was approximately 26.3% in excess of its carrying value. We were not at risk of failing the first step of impairment testing.

2014:

Under the first step of the goodwill impairment testing for the year ended December 31, 2014, the fair value of the company was approximately 215.7% in excess of its carrying value. We were not at risk of failing the first step of impairment testing.

2013:

Under the first step of the goodwill impairment testing for the year ended December 31, 2013, the fair value of the company was approximately 135.5% in excess of its carrying value. We were not at risk of failing the first step of impairment testing.

Significant increases in discount rate or decrease in future operating cash flows or terminal value in isolation would result in a significantly lower fair value measurement. We performed the following sensitivity analysis to show the maximum change (in isolation) of discount rate, future operating cash flow and terminal grow rate used in the income approach that would still result in the fair value of the company to be higher than its carrying value:

	Discount rate increase:		Future free cash flow	Terminal growth	rate decrease:
F	rom	To	decreased by:	From	To
	16.5%	18.6	13.0%	2.0%	

Based on the impairment tests performed, there was no goodwill impairment as of December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015.

Share-based compensation

In November 2013, we adopted the Leju Plan, which allows us to offer a variety of share-based incentive awards to employees, officers, directors and individual consultants who render services to us. The plan permits the grant of three types of awards: options, restricted shares and restricted share units. The maximum number of shares that may be issued pursuant to all awards under the plan is 10,434,783 ordinary shares initially, and will be increased automatically by 5% of the then total outstanding shares on an as-converted fully diluted basis on each of the third, sixth and ninth anniversaries of the effective date of the plan.

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On December 1, 2013, we granted options to certain of our employees and certain of E-House s employees for the purchase of 7,192,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$4.60 per share, pursuant to the Leju Plan. The options expire ten years from the date of grant. The options vest ratably at each grant date anniversary over a period of three years. The grant-date fair value of the options granted was \$2.21 per share. On December 16, 2013, we replaced 600,000 options granted to two of our directors with the same number of restricted shares, with all other substantive terms remaining unchanged. On January 21, 2014, we replaced 60,000 options granted to one E-House employee with the same number of restricted shares, with all other substantive terms remaining unchanged. There is no incremental compensation cost from the replacement.

On March 18, 2014, we granted 866,000 restricted shares to certain of our employees and independent directors. The restricted shares vest ratably at each grant date anniversary over a period of three years. On August 21, 2014, we granted 229,400 restricted shares to certain of our employees. These restricted shares have fully vested on April 21, 2015.

Pursuant to the Leju Plan, we granted (i) options to certain of our employees for the purchase of 501,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$9.68 per share, on April 28, 2015, (ii) options to certain of our employees for the purchase of 30,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$7.00 per share, on August 7, 2015, (iii) options to certain of our employees and certain of E-House s employees for the purchase of 1,986,000 ordinary shares at an exercise price of \$5.54 per share, on December 14, 2015. The options expire ten years from the date of grant and vest ratably at each anniversary of the grant date over a period of three years.

As of March 31, 2016, the aggregate number of our ordinary shares underlying outstanding options granted under the Leju Plan is 7,931,718 and the aggregated number of outstanding restricted shares granted under the Leju Plan is 506,672.

In 2015, we recorded compensation expenses of \$9.3 million for the options and restricted shares granted to our employees and directors under the Leju Plan, and \$1.1 million of dividends to E-House for the options and restricted shares granted to employees and directors of E-House under the Leju Plan. As of December 31, 2015, we had \$15.9 million of total unrecognized compensation expenses related to unvested share options and restricted shares granted under the Leju Plan, which we expect to be recognize over a weighted-average period of 1.9 years.

In 2015, our subsidiary, Omnigold, adopted the Omnigold Plan, pursuant to which (i) the Omnigold Award Pool is initially 5,000,000 as of the Omnigold Plan Effective Date, and (ii) the Omnigold Award Pool is increased automatically by 5% of the then total issued and outstanding shares of Omnigold on an as-converted fully diluted basis on each of the third, sixth and ninth anniversary of the Omnigold Plan Effective Date.

On August 11, 2015, Omnigold granted 2,400,000 options to purchase its ordinary shares to certain of the our employees at an exercise price of \$1.50 per share. The options expire ten years from the date of grant and vest ratably at each anniversary of the grant date over a period of three years.

In 2015, we recorded compensation expenses of \$80,577 for the options and restricted shares granted to our employees and directors under the Omnigold Plan. As of December 31, 2015, we had \$0.5 million of total unrecognized compensation expenses related to unvested share options and restricted shares granted under the Omnigold Plan, which we expect to be recognize over a weighted-average period of 2.6 years.

We apply ASC 718, Compensation Stock Compensation, or ASC 718, to account for our employee share-based payments.

In accordance with ASC 718, we determine whether an award should be classified and accounted for as a liability award or equity award. All grants of share-based awards to employees classified as equity awards are recognized in the financial statements based on their grant date fair values. Specifically, the grant date fair value of share options are calculated using an option pricing model. We have elected to recognize compensation expense using the straight-line method for all employee equity awards granted with graded vesting based on service conditions provided that the amount of compensation cost recognized at any date is at least equal to the portion of the grant-date value of the options that are vested at that date. To the extent the required vesting conditions are not met resulting in the forfeiture of the share-based awards, previously recognized compensation expense relating to those awards are reversed. ASC 718 requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in the subsequent period if actual forfeitures differ from initial estimates.

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Forfeiture rates are estimated based on historical and future expectations of employee turnover rates and are adjusted to reflect future changes in circumstances and facts, if any. Share-based compensation expense is recorded net of estimated forfeitures such that expense is recorded only for those share-based awards that are expected to vest. To the extent we revise these estimates in the future, the share-based payments could be materially impacted in the period of revision, as well as in following periods. We, with the assistance of an independent third party valuation firm, determined the fair value of the stock options granted to employees. The binominal option-pricing model was applied in determining the estimated fair value of the options granted to employees.

The following table presents the assumptions used to estimate the fair values of the share options granted in 2013:

	2013
Risk-free rate of return(1)	2.98%
Contractual life of option(2)	10 years
Estimated volatility rate(3)	56.74%
Dividend yield(4)	0.00%

Notes:

- (1) The risk-free rate of return is based on the 10 years US Sovereign Strips curve in effect at the time of grant for a term consistent with the expected term of the awards.
- (2) The contractual life of option is developed giving consideration to vesting period, contractual term and historical exercise pattern of options granted.
- (3) The estimated volatility rate is estimated based on the historical volatility of ordinary shares of several comparable companies in the same industry.
- (4) The dividend yield was estimated based on our expected dividend policy over the expected term of the options.

Determining the fair value of our ordinary shares required us to make complex and subjective judgments, assumptions and estimates, which involved inherent uncertainty. Had our management used different assumptions and estimates, the resulting fair value of our ordinary shares and the resulting share-based compensation expenses could have been different. We took into consideration of the guidance prescribed by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) Audit and Accounting Practice Aid, Valuation of Privately- Held-Company Equity Securities Issued as Compensation, or the Practice Aid.

As we were a private company with no quoted market prices for our ordinary shares prior to our initial public offering in April 2014, we had to make estimates of the fair value of our ordinary shares at the date of the grant of share options to our senior management. The fair value of our ordinary shares as of December 1, 2013 and March 18, 2014 is \$4.55 and \$12.10 per share, respectively. Given the absence of an active market for our ordinary shares prior to this offering, we engaged an independent appraiser, Jones Lang LaSalle Corporate Appraisal and Advisory Limited, or JLL, to assist in performing contemporaneous valuations of our ordinary shares. The appraisal was performed using the contemporaneous method to determine the fair value of our ordinary shares as of the valuation date. Such appraisal provided us with guidelines in determining the fair value of the ordinary shares, but the determination was made by our management. The fair value of our ordinary shares was developed through the application of the income valuation technique known as the discounted cash flow method, or the DCF method. The determination of the fair value of our ordinary shares requires complex and subjective judgments to be made regarding our projected financial and operating results, our unique business risks, our operating history and prospects as of the valuation date, the liquidity of our shares such as the anticipated timing of a sale of our company or an initial public offering, which is based on the plans made by our board and management. In addition to our estimated cash flows, which were based on our business prospects and financial forecasts as of valuation date, the following major assumptions were used in calculating the fair value of our ordinary shares:

Weighted average cost of capital or WACC

The WACCs were determined by using the capital asset pricing model, or CAPM, a method that market participants commonly use to price securities. Under CAPM, the discount rate was estimated based on a consideration of a number of factors, including risk-free rate, country risk premium, equity risk premium, size risk premium, and company-specific risk premium as of the valuation date. The risks associated with achieving our forecasts were appropriately assessed in our determination of the appropriate discount rates. If different discount rates had been used, the valuations could have been significantly different. WACC of 17.20% and 17.15% was used for date as of December 1, 2013 and March 18, 2014, respectively.

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Comparable companies

In deriving the WACCs, which are used as the discount rates under the income approach, certain publicly traded companies in similar industry, have similar business, and are subject to similar risks were selected for reference as our guideline companies.

Discount for lack of marketability

Discount for lack of marketability, or DLOM, was also applied to reflect the fact that there is no ready public market for our shares as we are a closely held private company. Under the Asian option-pricing method, the cost of the put option, which can hedge the price change before the privately held shares can be sold, was considered as a basis to determine the discount for lack of marketability. Based on the analysis, DLOM of 6.3% and 3.8% was used for the valuation of our ordinary shares as of December 1, 2013 and March 18, 2014, respectively.

The option-pricing method was used to allocate equity value of our company to ordinary shares, taking into account the guidance prescribed by the Practice Aid. This method involves making estimates of the anticipated timing of a potential liquidity event, such as a sale of our company or an initial public offering, and estimates of the volatility of our equity securities. The anticipated timing is based on the plans of our board and management.

However, these fair values are inherently uncertain and highly subjective. The assumptions used in deriving the fair values are consistent with our business plan. These assumptions include: (i) no material changes in the existing political, legal and economic conditions in China; (ii) our ability to retain competent management, key personnel and staff to support our ongoing operations; and (iii) no material deviation in market conditions from economic forecasts.

After our initial public offering, in determining the fair value of the ordinary shares and restricted shares granted, the closing market price of the underlying shares on the last trading date prior to the grant dates is applied. In determining the fair value of the ordinary shares on April 17, 2014, the date when our ADSs first commenced trading on NYSE, the per share equivalent of our initial public offering price to the public is applied.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the FASB and International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) issued their converged standard on revenue recognition. The objective of the revenue standards ASU 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606) , is to provide a single, comprehensive revenue recognition model for all contracts with customers to improve comparability within industries, across industries, and across capital markets. The revenue standard contains principles that an entity will apply to determine the measurement of revenue and timing of revenue recognition. The underlying principle is that an entity will recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers at an amount that the entity expects to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services. For public companies, the revenue standards is effective for the first interim period within annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016 and early adoption is not permitted. We are in the process of evaluating the impact of the standard on our consolidated financial statements.

Inflation

Since our inception, inflation in China has not materially impacted our results of operations. According to the National Bureau of Statistics of China, the year-over-year percent changes in the consumer price index for December 2013, 2014 and 2015 were increases of 2.5%, 1.5% and 1.6%, respectively. Although we have not been materially affected by inflation in the past, we can provide no assurance that we will not be affected in the future by higher rates of inflation in China. For example, certain operating costs and expenses, such as employee compensation and office operating expenses may increase as a result of higher inflation. Additionally, because a substantial portion of our assets consists of cash and cash equivalents, high inflation could significantly reduce the value and purchasing power of these assets. We are not able to hedge our exposure to higher inflation in China.

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Impact of Foreign Currency Fluctuation

See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business in China Fluctuation in the value of the RMB may have a material and adverse effect on your investment. and Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk Foreign Exchange Risk.

Impact of Governmental Policies

See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Business Our business may be materially and adversely affected by government measures aimed at China s real estate industry, Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Doing Business in China and Item 4. Information on the Company B. Business Overview Regulation.

B. <u>Liquidity and Capital Resources</u>

Our principal sources of liquidity have been capital contributions from E-House, our initial public offering and concurrent private placement to Tencent, and cash generated from operating activities. In April 2014, we completed our initial public offering in which we issued and sold an aggregate of 11,500,000 ADSs, representing 11,500,000 ordinary shares resulting in net proceeds to us of approximately \$101.4 million, after deducting underwriting commissions and the offering expenses payable by us. Concurrently with our initial public offering, we also raised from Tencent in a private placement \$18.9 million in net proceeds after deducting estimated fees and expenses payable by us. Our cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand and deposits placed with banks, which are unrestricted as to withdrawal or use and have original maturities of three months or less. We currently anticipate that we will be able to meet our needs to fund operations for at least the next twelve months with operating cash flow and existing cash balances.

The following table sets forth a summary of our cash flows for the periods indicated:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2013	2014	2015
		(in thousands of \$)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	83,423	124,831	51,275
Net cash used in investing activities	(16,657)	(12,355)	(15,100)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(41,360)	107,080	(85,174)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	27,639	219,081	(57,515)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	71,090	98,730	317,811
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	98,730	317,811	260,296

Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities in 2015 was \$51.3 million, primarily comprising net income of \$34.8 million adjusted for non-cash transactions including depreciation and amortization of \$29.3 million, allowance for doubtful accounts of \$19.0 million, share-based compensation of \$11.5 million, and a \$48.4 million increase in advances for amounts due to related parties, partially offset by a \$12.2 million increase in accounts receivable, a \$58.8 million increase in customer deposit, and a \$16.3 million decrease in other current liabilities (primarily resulting from the decrease in accrued marketing and advertising expenses).

Net cash provided by operating activities in 2014 was \$124.8 million, primarily comprising net income of \$66.7 million adjusted for non-cash transactions including depreciation and amortization of \$26.1 million, allowance for doubtful accounts of \$11.6 million, share-based compensation of \$8.9 million, a \$24.5 million increase in income tax payable and other tax payable, a \$17.5 million increase in accrued payroll and welfare expense, and a \$14.7 million increase in other current liabilities (primarily resulting from the increase in accrued marketing and advertising expenses in line with the increase in revenues), partially offset by a \$45.4 million increase in accounts receivable.

Net cash provided by operating activities in 2013 was \$83.4 million, primarily comprising net income of \$42.7 million adjusted for non-cash transactions including depreciation and amortization of \$38.3 million, a \$28.4 million increase in income tax payable and other tax payable, and a \$10.4 million increase in accrued payroll and welfare expense, partially offset by a \$21.6 million decrease in amounts due to related parties and a \$18.3 million change in deferred tax.

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Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities in 2015 was \$15.1 million, primarily comprised of \$14.8 million for the purchase of property and equipment as well as intangible assets, including \$12.0 million for our exclusive rights with Baidu.

Net cash used in investing activities in 2014 was \$12.4 million, primarily comprising \$12.1 million for deposit for and purchase of property and equipment and intangible assets including \$9.0 million for our exclusive rights with Baidu.

Net cash used in investing activities in 2013 was \$16.7 million, primarily comprising \$17.0 million for deposit for and purchase of property and equipment and intangible assets including \$15.3 million for our exclusive rights with Baidu, partially offset by \$0.5 million of proceeds from disposal of property and equipment.

Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities in 2015 was \$85.2 million, mainly comprised of a payment of \$26.9 million for dividend, a payment of \$42.5 million to repay the loans to related parties, and a payment of \$17.4 million for acquisition of non-controlling interests which were acquired in 2014.

Net cash provided by in financing activities in 2014 was \$107.1 million, resulting from the net proceeds of \$120.3 million from our initial public offering and a concurrent private placement to Tencent in April 2014, partially offset by a payment of \$14.4 million to acquire non-controlling interests in subsidiaries.

Net cash used in financing activities in 2013 was \$41.4 million, resulting from our repayment of loans from E-House.

Holding Company Structure

In the future, we may rely significantly on dividends and other distributions paid by our PRC subsidiaries for our cash and financing requirements. There may be potential restrictions on the dividends and other distributions by our PRC subsidiaries. The PRC tax authorities may require us to adjust our taxable income under the contractual arrangements that each of Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng currently has in place with the relevant consolidated variable interest entity in a way that could materially and adversely affect the ability of Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng to pay dividends and make other distributions to us. In addition, under PRC laws and regulations, our PRC subsidiaries including Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Beijing Maiteng, each as a wholly foreign-owned enterprise in China, may pay dividends only out of their accumulated profits as determined in accordance with PRC accounting standards and regulations. In addition, our PRC subsidiaries are required to set aside at least 10% of their accumulated after-tax profits each

year, if any, to fund a statutory reserve fund, until the aggregate amount of such fund reaches 50% of their respective registered capital. At their discretion, our PRC subsidiaries may allocate a portion of their after-tax profits based on PRC accounting standards to staff welfare and bonus funds. These reserve funds and staff welfare and bonus funds are not distributable as cash dividends. Furthermore, our investments made as registered capital and additional paid in capital of our PRC subsidiaries, consolidated variable interest entities and consolidated variable interest entities subsidiaries are also subject to restrictions on their distribution and transfer according to PRC laws and regulations.

As a result, our PRC subsidiaries, consolidated variable interest entities and consolidated variable interest entities subsidiaries in China are restricted in their ability to transfer their net assets to us in the form of cash dividends, loans or advances. As of December 31, 2015, the amount of the restricted net assets, which represents registered capital and additional paid-in capital cumulative appropriations made to statutory reserves, was \$33.8 million.

As an offshore holding company, we are permitted under PRC laws and regulations to provide funding from the proceeds of our offshore fund raising activities to our PRC subsidiaries only through loans or capital contributions, and to our consolidated variable interest entities only through loans, in each case subject to the satisfaction of the applicable government registration and approval requirements. As a result, there is uncertainty with respect to our ability to provide prompt financial support to our PRC subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities when needed. Notwithstanding the forgoing, our PRC subsidiaries may use their own retained earnings (rather than RMB converted from foreign currency denominated capital) to provide financial support to our consolidated variable interest entities either through entrustment loans from our PRC subsidiaries to our consolidated variable interest entities, or direct loans to such variable interest entities nominee shareholders, which would be contributed to the variable interest entities as capital injections. Such direct loans to the nominee shareholders would be eliminated in our consolidated financial statements against the consolidated variable interest entities share capital.

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Capital Expenditure

Our capital expenditures amounted to \$17.0 million, \$12.1 million and \$14.8 million in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. In the past, our capital expenditures consisted principally of purchases of property and equipment and intangible assets used in our operations. In 2013, 2014 and 2015 our capital expenditures also included \$15.3 million, \$9.0 million and \$12.0 million in payments that we made for exclusive rights to operate the Baidu channels and sell the Baidu Brand Link product, respectively. We funded our capital expenditures primarily with cash on hand and cash generated from operating activities.

C. Research and Development, Patents and Licenses, etc.

Research and Development

We believe that the continual development of our technology will be vital to maintaining our long-term competitiveness. As of December 31, 2015, we employed 375 software developers and other technology-related personnel. We have developed a technology infrastructure that is specifically used for our real estate and home related internet website services. In addition, we have also developed our proprietary mobile applications including Pocket Leju, Fang Niu Jia, Leju Er Shou Fang, and Pocket Renovation. We plan to further develop new, proprietary mobile applications tailored to the needs of home purchasers, developer partners and real estate agents. We will develop our mobile applications with a focus on enhancing mobile user experience and engagement and to achieve seamless integration with the websites we operate.

Intellectual Property

Our copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, domain names and other intellectual property are important to our business. We rely on intellectual property laws and contractual arrangements with our key employees and certain of our customers, collaborators and others to protect our intellectual property rights. Despite these measures, we cannot assure you that we will be able to prevent unauthorized use of our intellectual property, which would adversely affect our business.

As of December 31, 2015, we owned 71 registered copyrights, owned or licensed 193 registered trademarks in China, had 50 trademark applications in various industry categories pending with the China Trademark Office and owned or licensed 189 registered domain names.

We own the software copyrights of our mobile applications Pocket Leju, Fang Niu Jia, Leju Er Shou Fang, and Pocket Renovation. We have registered our software copyrights of all our mobile applications.

D. Trend Information

Other than as disclosed elsewhere in this annual report, we are not aware of any trends, uncertainties, demands, commitments or events for the year 2015 that are reasonably likely to have a material and adverse effect on our net revenues, income, profitability, liquidity or capital resources, or that caused the disclosed financial information to be not necessarily indicative of future results of operations or financial conditions.

E. <u>Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements</u>

We have not entered into any financial guarantees or other commitments to guarantee the payment obligations of any third parties. We have not entered into any derivative contracts that are indexed to our shares and classified as shareholder s equity, or that are not reflected in our consolidated financial statements. Furthermore, we do not have any retained or contingent interest in assets transferred to an unconsolidated entity that serves as credit, liquidity or market risk support to such entity. We do not have any variable interest in any unconsolidated entity that provides financing, liquidity, market risk or credit support to us or engages in leasing, hedging or research and development services with us.

F. <u>Tabular Disclosure of Contractual Obligations</u>

The following table sets forth our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2015:

	Payments Due by Period				
	Less than 1			More than 5	
	Total	year	1-3 years	3-5 years	years
			(in thousands of \$)		
Operating Lease Obligations(1)	24,017	9,446	11,848	1,688	1,035

Note:

(1) Our operating lease obligations relate to our obligations under lease agreements with lessors of our corporate offices and business store fronts.

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G. Safe Harbor

This annual report on Form 20-F contains forward-looking statements. These statements are made under the safe harbor provisions of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as anticipates, future, intends, believes, estimates, is currently reviewing, plans, may, intend, statements. Among other things, the sections titled Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors, Item 4. Information on the Company, and Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects in this annual report on Form 20-F, as well as our strategic and operational plans, contain forward-looking statements. We may also make written or oral forward-looking statements in our filings with the SEC, in our annual report to shareholders, in press releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by our officers, directors or employees to third parties. Statements that are not historical facts, including statements about our beliefs and expectations, are forward-looking statements and are subject to change, and such change may be material and may have a material and adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations for one or more prior periods. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained, either expressly or impliedly, in any of the forward-looking statements in this annual report on Form 20-F. Potential risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, continued low real estate transaction volume in China, government measures that may materially and adversely affect our business, a further slowdown in the growth of China s economy, failure of the real estate services industry in China to develop or mature as quickly as expected, diminution of the value of our brand or image due to our failure to satisfy customer needs and/or other reasons, our inability to successfully execute the strategy of expanding into new geographical markets in China or the business plans for strategic alliances and other new business initiatives, our failure to manage growth, our loss of competitive advantage, our reliance on our parent company E-House, and other risks outlined in our filings with the SEC. All information provided in this annual report on Form 20-F and in the exhibits is as of the date of this annual report on Form 20-F, and we do not undertake any obligation to update any such information, except as required under applicable law.

ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES

A. <u>Directors and Senior Management</u>

The following table sets forth information regarding our directors and executive officers as of the date of this annual report.

Directors and Executive Officers	Age	Position/Title
Xin Zhou	48	Executive Chairman
Yinyu He	41	Chief Executive Officer
Li-Lan Cheng	51	Executive Director
Charles Chao	50	Director
Canhao Huang	58	Director
Martin Chi Ping Lau	43	Director
Zhe Wei	45	Independent Director
David Jian Sun	51	Independent Director
Min Fan	50	Independent Director
Winston Li	49	Independent Director
Weijie Ma	40	Co-President
Keyi Chen	43	Co-President
Min Chen	42	Chief Financial Officer

Xin Zhou has served as our Executive Chairman since our inception. He is one of the co-founders of our parent

company, E-House, and has served as E-House s chairman from 2003 to April 2012 and currently co-chairman. Mr. Zhou served as E-House s chief executive officer from 2003 to 2009, and has been serving as E-House s chief executive officer since April 2012. Mr. Zhou currently is a director of Jupai. He also served as co-chairman and chief executive officer of E-House s subsidiary, China Real Estate Information Corporation, from 2009 to April 2012. Mr. Zhou has over 20 years of experience in China s real estate industry. From 1997 to 2003, he served as director and general manager of Shanghai Real Estate Exchange Co., Ltd., and as deputy general manager of Shanghai Jinfeng Investments Co., Ltd., a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange. Mr. Zhou was awarded the Special Contribution Award in China s Real Estate Services Industry in 2005, named one of the ten most influential people in the real estate services industry in 2005 from China City Property Exposition Commission and received the Outstanding Entrepreneur Award from Enterprise Asia in 2010. Mr. Zhou currently serves as vice chairman of China Real Estate Association, director of The Nature Conservancy China, vice chairman of China Real Estate Developers and Investors Associations, and chairman of Real Estate Service Committee of China Real Estate Association. He is also chairman of Shanghai Real Estate Broker Industry Association, executive director of Real Estate Industry Research Center of Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, honorary vice chairman of Shanghai Young Entrepreneur Association and rotating chairman of Shanghai Entrepreneur Association. Mr. Zhou received his bachelor degree from Shanghai Industrial University in China.

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Yinyu He has served as our chief executive officer since September 2011 and vice-president from January 2011 to August 2011. He served as our director of strategic planning from August 2008 to December 2010. Prior to joining Leju, Mr. He was the publisher and chief editor of UBM s InformationWeek China from 2004 to 2008. From 2000 to 2004, he served as a senior reporter and researcher covering China s IT, telecom, financial, and media industries at Interfax (China) News Agency, where he was a founding member. He also worked as a journalist, reporter, commentator, and anchor for a number of media outlets including the China Business Network (CBN), Shanghai Television, Eastern Radio, Securities Herald, Eastday.com, and Finance Director magazine (part of The Economist Group). He received his bachelor s degree and master s degree from Shanghai University.

Li-Lan Cheng has served as our executive director since March 2014. Mr. Cheng currently serves as the chief operating officer of E-House, a position he has held since April 2012. He was E-House s chief financial officer from November 2006 to April 2012. Prior to joining E-House, Mr. Cheng served as the chief financial officer of SouFun Holdings Limited, a real estate internet company in China, from 2005 to 2006. From 2002 to 2004, Mr. Cheng served as an executive director and the chief financial officer of SOHO China Limited, a real estate developer in Beijing. Mr. Cheng was an assistant director and the head of the Asian transportation sector investment banking group of ABN AMRO Asia from 1997 to 2002. Mr. Cheng is an independent director of Country Style Cooking Restaurant Chain Co., Ltd., a China-based quick service restaurant chain listed on the NYSE and 51job, Inc., a human resource service provider listed on NASDAQ. Mr. Cheng received a bachelor s degree in Economics from Swarthmore College and a Ph.D. degree in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Mr. Cheng is a chartered financial analyst (CFA).

Charles Chao has served as our director since April 2014. He has served as the co-chairman of the board of our parent company, E-House, since April 2012. Mr. Chao currently serves as the chairman and chief executive officer of SINA and the chairman of Weibo Corporation, a leading social media platform in China and a majority owned subsidiary of SINA. Since joining SINA in September 1999, Mr. Chao has served various managerial positions, including as vice president of finance, chief financial officer, co-chief operating officer and president. Prior to that, Mr. Chao served as an audit manager at PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP in Silicon Valley, California. Mr. Chao is currently an independent director of NetDragon Websoft Inc., a Hong Kong Stock Exchange listed company providing technology for online games. Mr. Chao received his master s degree in professional accounting from University of Texas at Austin. He also holds a master s degree in journalism from University of Oklahoma and a bachelor s degree in journalism from Fudan University in China.

Canhao Huang has served as our director since March 2014. Mr. Huang currently serves as a director of E-House. He was E-House s chief operating officer from September 2007 to December 2009, and vice president from 2000 to 2007. Prior to joining E-House, Mr. Huang served as a manager at Shanghai No. 1 Department Store Co., Ltd. from 1985 to 2000. Mr. Huang received a bachelor s degree from Shanghai University.

Martin Chi Ping Lau has served as our director since March 2014. Mr. Lau is an executive director and President of Tencent. He joined Tencent in 2005 as the Chief Strategy and Investment Officer and was responsible for corporate

strategies, investments, merger and acquisitions and investor relations. In 2006, Mr. Lau was promoted as President of Tencent to manage the day-to-day operation of Tencent. In 2007, he was appointed as an executive director of Tencent. Prior to joining Tencent, Mr. Lau was an executive director at Goldman Sachs (Asia) L.L.C. s investment banking division and the Chief Operating Officer of its Telecom, Media and Technology Group. Prior to that, he worked at McKinsey & Company, Inc. as a management consultant. Mr. Lau received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Michigan, a Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University and an MBA Degree from Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University. On July 28, 2011, Mr. Lau was appointed as a non-executive director of Kingsoft Corporation Limited, an Internet based software developer, distributor and software service provider listed in Hong Kong.

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Zhe Wei has served as our independent director since April 2014. Mr. Wei has over 15 years of experience in both investment and operational management in the People s Republic of China. Prior to launching Vision Knight Capital (China) Fund I, L.P., a private equity investment fund in 2011, Mr. Wei was an executive director and chief executive officer of Alibaba.com Limited, a leading worldwide B2B e-commerce company. Mr. Wei was the president, from 2002 to 2006, and chief financial officer, from 2000 to 2002, of B&Q China, a subsidiary of Kingfisher plc, a leading home improvement retailer in Europe and Asia. From 2003 to 2006, Mr. Wei was also the chief representative for Kingfisher s China sourcing office, Kingfisher Asia Limited. Prior to that, Mr. Wei served as the head of investment banking at Orient Securities Company Limited from 1998 to 2000, and as corporate finance manager at Coopers &Lybrand (now part of PricewaterhouseCoopers) from 1995 and 1998. Mr. Wei was a non-executive director of HSBC Bank (China) Company Limited and The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, and was also the vice chairman of China Chain Store & Franchise Association. He was voted as one of China s Best CEO by Finance Asia magazine in 2010. Mr. Wei currently serves as an independent director of Zall Development Group Ltd., a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, and a director of Shenzhen United Financial Services Group Holdings Co., Ltd. Mr. Wei holds a bachelor s degree in international business management from Shanghai International Studies University and has completed a corporate finance program at London Business School.

David Jian Sun has served as our independent director since April 2014. Mr. Sun has served as an independent director and a member of the compensation committee of E-House since March 2014. Mr. Sun also has served as an independent director and a member of the compensation committee of eHai Car Services Ltd., a NYSE-listed car service provider, since November 2014. In addition, Mr. Sun also serves as director and the chief executive officer of Homeinns Hotel Group, a NASDAQ-listed economy hotel chain company, and also serves as an independent director of Mecox Lane Limited, a NASDAQ-listed online platform for apparel and accessories company. Mr. Sun has over ten years of consumer industry experience. From 2003 to 2004, Mr. Sun served as a vice president of operations for B&Q (China) Ltd., a subsidiary of Kingfisher plc, the third largest home improvement retail group in the world, overseeing the operation of 15 B&Q superstores in China. From 2000 to 2003, Mr. Sun served as a vice president of marketing for B&Q (China) Ltd., leading B&Q s market positioning and branding efforts in China. Mr. Sun received a bachelor s degree in management from Shanghai Medical University.

Min Fan has served as our independent director since April 2014. Mr. Fan is the co-founder of CTRIP.com International Limited, a NASDAQ listed travel service provider in China, and currently serves as the vice chairman of its board and its president. Mr. Fan has been the president of CTRIP.com International Limited since February 2009. He also served as the chief executive officer, from January 2006 to February 2013, the chief operating officer, from November 2004 to January 2006, and the executive vice president, from 2000 to November 2004, of CTRIP.com International Limited. From 1997 to 2000, Mr. Fan served as the chief executive officer of Shanghai Travel Service Company, a leading domestic travel agency in China. From 1990 to 1997, he served as the deputy general manager and in a number of other senior positions at Shanghai New Asia Hotel Management Company, which was one of the leading hotel management companies in China. Mr. Fan currently serves on the board of directors of China Lodging Group, Limited, a NASDAQ listed company operating an economy hotel chain in China. Mr. Fan received his master s degree in management sciences and bachelor s degree in industrial management sciences from Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

Winston Li has served as our independent director since April 2014. Mr. Li currently serves as an independent director of E-House. Mr. Li is the chief financial officer of BabySpace Corp., a PRC-based provider of cross-border e-commerce services. He is also an independent director of Country Style Cooking Restaurant Chain Co., Ltd., a China-based quick service restaurant chain listed on the NYSE. From 2004 to 2010, Mr. Li served as an independent director of ZTE Corporation, a large public telecom equipment manufacturing company in China. Mr. Li served as a partner at the Hong Kong office of Linklaters LLP from 2002 to 2004 and an attorney at the Hong Kong office of Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP from 1997 to 2002. Mr. Li received his bachelor s degree in biochemistry from Peking University and master of science degree from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He received his juris doctor degree from Columbia Law School.

Weijie Ma has served as our co-president since January 2014. He currently serves as the deputy chief financial officer of E-House and was E-House s financial controller from August 2007 to December 2013. From August 2000 to July 2007, Mr. Ma was the financial controller of E-House s subsidiary Shanghai Real Estate Sales (Group) Co., Ltd. From July 1997 to July 2000, he was a senior auditor at Ernst & Young. Mr. Ma received a bachelor s degree from Shanghai University of Finance and Economics.

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Keyi Chen has served as our co-president since September 2011 and was the general manager of our Beijing branch from January 2011 to August 2011. Prior to that, Mr. Chen was the general manager of Beijing Jiahua Hengshun Media & Advertising Co., Ltd., an internet advertising company focused on real estate and home furnishing sectors in China, from 2007 to 2010. From 2006 to 2007, Mr. Chen served as the general manager of Langtian Interactive Advertising Co., Ltd., an affiliate to Allyes Group, an online advertising service provider in China. From 2003 to 2005, Mr. Chen founded and served as the general manager of Langtian Jiaxun Advertising Co., Ltd., which focused on internet advertising in real estate and education industries. Mr. Chen received a bachelor s degree from North China University of Technology.

Min Chen has served as our chief financial officer since March 2014. Prior to joining Leju, Ms. Chen worked for Bank of America Merrill Lynch Hong Kong office from June 2006 to March 2014, most recently serving as managing director, head of Asia corporate finance and head of China real estate and lodging within the global corporate and investment banking division. Prior to that, Ms. Chen served as a vice president at Citigroup in New York from July 2002 to April 2006. Ms. Chen received her bachelor s degree in political science and economics from Yale University and an MBA degree from Harvard Business School.

B. Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers

For the year ended December 31, 2015, we paid an aggregate of approximately \$1.5 million in cash to our executive officers, and we did not pay any compensation to our directors. We have not set aside or accrued any amount to provide pension, retirement or other similar benefits to our executive officers and directors. Our PRC subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities are required by law to make contributions equal to certain percentages of each employee s salary for his or her pension insurance, medical insurance, unemployment insurance and other statutory benefits and a housing provident fund.

Employment Agreements and Indemnification Agreements

We have entered into employment agreements with each of our executive officers. Under these agreements, each of our executive officers is employed for a specified time period. We may terminate employment for cause, at any time, without advance notice or remuneration, for certain acts of the executive officer, such as conviction or plea of guilty to a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude, gross negligence or dishonest acts to our detriment, or misconduct or a failure to perform agreed duties. We may also terminate an executive officer s employment without cause upon sixty days advance written notice. In such case of termination by us, we will provide severance payments to the executive officer as set forth in the employment agreement. The executive officer may resign at any time with a one-month advance written notice.

Each executive officer has agreed to hold, both during and after the termination or expiry of his or her employment agreement, in strict confidence and not to use, except as required in the performance of his or her duties in connection with the employment or pursuant to applicable law, any of our confidential information or trade secrets, any confidential information or trade secrets of our clients or prospective clients, or the confidential or proprietary information of any third party received by us and for which we have confidential obligations. The executive officers have also agreed to disclose in confidence to us all inventions, designs and trade secrets which they conceive, develop or

reduce to practice during the executive officer s employment with us and to assign all right, title and interest in them to us, and assist us in obtaining and enforcing patents, copyrights and other legal rights for these inventions, designs and trade secrets.

In addition, each executive officer has agreed to be bound by non-competition and non-solicitation restrictions during the term of his or her employment and typically for one year following the last date of employment. Specifically, each executive officer has agreed not to (i) solicit from any of our customers, business of the same or similar nature to our business; (ii) solicit from any known potential customer, business which of the same or similar nature to business which has been the subject or substantially prepared to be subject of a written or oral bid, offer or proposal by us; (iii) solicit the employment or service of any person who is known to be employed or engaged by us; or (iv) otherwise interfere with our business or accounts including, but not limited to, any relationship or agreement between us and any vendor or supplier.

We have also entered into indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers. Under these agreements, we agree to indemnify our directors and executive officers against certain liabilities and expenses incurred by such persons in connection with claims made by reason of their being a director or officer of our company.

Share Incentive Plan

In November 2013, we adopted the Leju Plan, which allows us to offer a variety of share-based incentive awards to employees, officers, directors and individual consultants who render services to us. The plan permits the grant of three types of awards: options, restricted shares and restricted share units. The maximum number of shares that may be issued pursuant to all awards under the Leju Plan is 10,434,783 ordinary shares of Leju initially, and will be increased automatically by 5% of the then total outstanding shares on an as-converted fully diluted basis on each of the third, sixth and ninth anniversaries of the effective date of the Leju Plan. The Leju Plan was amended and replaced in July 2014 containing substantially the same terms as the original Leju Plan.

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The following paragraphs describe the principal terms of the Leju Plan.

Plan Administration. Our board of directors, or a committee designated by our board or directors, will administer the plan. The committee or the full board of directors, as appropriate, will determine the provisions and terms and conditions of each option grant.

Award Agreements. Options and other awards granted under the plan are evidenced by an award agreement that sets forth the terms, conditions and limitations for each grant. In addition, the award agreement may also provide that securities granted are subject to a 180-day lock-up period following the effective date of a registration statement filed by us under the Securities Act, if so requested by us or any representative of the underwriters in connection with any registration of the offering of any of our securities. The exercise price of granted options may be amended or adjusted in the absolute discretion of our board of directors, or a committee designated by our board of directors, without the approval of our shareholders or the recipients of the options.

Eligibility. We may grant awards to employees, directors and consultants of our company or any of our related entities, which include our subsidiaries or any entities in which we hold a substantial ownership interest.

Acceleration of Awards upon Corporate Transactions. The outstanding awards will terminate and accelerate upon occurrence of a change-of-control corporate transaction where the successor entity does not assume our outstanding awards under the plan. In such event, each outstanding award will become fully vested and immediately exercisable, and the transfer restrictions on the awards will be released and the repurchase or forfeiture rights will terminate immediately before the date of the change-of-control transaction provided that the grantee s continuous service with us shall not be terminated before that date.

Term of the Options. The term of each option grant shall be stated in the award agreement, provided that the term shall not exceed ten years from the date of the grant.

Vesting Schedule. In general, our board of directors, or a committee designated by our board of directors, determines, or the award agreement specifies, the vesting schedule.

Transfer Restrictions. Awards may not be transferred in any manner by the recipient other than by will or the laws of succession and incentive share options may be exercised during the lifetime of the optionee only by the optionee.

Termination of the Plan. Unless terminated earlier, the plan will terminate automatically in 2023. Our board of directors has the authority to amend or terminate the plan subject to shareholder approval to the extent necessary to comply with applicable law. However, no such action may impair the rights of any award recipient unless agreed by the recipient.

As of March 31, 2016, the aggregate number of our ordinary shares underlying outstanding options granted under the Leju Plan was 7,931,718 and the aggregated number of outstanding restricted shares granted under the Leju Plan was 506,672.

The following table summarizes, as of March 31, 2016, the options and restricted shares granted under the plan to our executive officers and directors and to other individuals as a group (including certain of our employees and E-House s employees), without giving effect to the options that were exercised or restricted shares that had vested, if any.

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	Ordinary Underlying Options/ Restricted	Exercise Price(2)		
Name	Shares	(\$/Share)	Date of Grant	Date of Expiration(2)
Xin Zhou	360,000*(1)	4.6	December 1, 2013	N/A
	100,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Yinyu He	720,000	4.6	December 1, 2013	November 30,2023
	100,000*	N/A	March 18, 2014	N/A
	120,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Li-Lan Cheng	240,000*(1)	4.6	December 1, 2013	N/A
	30,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Charles Chao	360,000	4.6	December 1, 2013	November 30,2023
	50,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Canhao Huang	30,000	4.6	December 1, 2013	November 30,2023
	15,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Zhe Wei	60,000*	N/A	March 18, 2014	N/A
	20,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
David Jian Sun	40,000*	N/A	March 18, 2014	N/A
	15,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Min Fan	40,000*	N/A	March 18, 2014	N/A
	15,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Winston Li	40,000*	N/A	March 18, 2014	N/A
	15,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Weijie Ma	240,000	4.6	December 1, 2013	November 30, 2023
	80,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Keyi Chen	240,000	4.6	December 1, 2013	November 30, 2023
	80,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Min Chen	500,000*	N/A	March 18, 2014	N/A
	80,000	5.54	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025
Other individuals as a group	, in the second second		December 1, 2013 to	November 30,2023 to
3-1-F	6,564,836**	4.6 to 9.68	December 14, 2015	December 13, 2025 or N/A

Notes:

- (1) These options were subsequently surrendered for cancellation in exchange for the same number of restricted shares having the same vesting schedule and a purchase price equal to the original option exercise price.
- (2) The options and most of our restricted shares are subject to a three-year vesting schedule, with one-third of the underlying ordinary shares vesting on each of the first, second and third anniversary of the grant date.
- * Represents restricted shares.
- ** Includes options and restricted shares.

C. <u>Board Practices</u>

Our board of directors consists of nine directors. A director is not required to hold any shares in our company by way of qualification. A director who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a contract or transaction or proposed contract or transaction with our company must declare the nature of his interest at a meeting of the directors. Subject to the NYSE rules and disqualification by the chairman of the

relevant board meeting, a director may vote in respect of any contract or transaction or proposed contract or transaction notwithstanding that he may be interested therein and if he does so his vote shall be counted and he may be counted in the quorum at the relevant board meeting at which such contract or transaction or proposed contract or transaction is considered. The directors may exercise all the powers of the company to borrow money, to mortgage or charge its undertaking, property and uncalled capital, and to issue debentures or other securities whenever money is borrowed or as security for any debt, liability or obligation of the company or of any third party. None of our non-executive directors has a service contract with us that provides for benefits upon termination of service.

In 2015, our board of directors held meetings or passed unanimous written resolution in lieu of meeting four times.

Committees of the Board of Directors

We have two committees under the board of directors: an audit committee and a compensation committee. We have adopted a charter for each of the two committees.

A company of which more than 50% of the voting power is held by a single entity is considered a controlled company under Section 303A of the Corporate Governance Rules of the NYSE. A controlled company need not comply with the applicable NYSE corporate governance rules requiring its board of directors to have a majority of independent directors and independent compensation and nominations/corporate governance committees. Because more than 50% of the voting power of our company is held by E-House, we qualify as a controlled company under the Corporate Governance Rules of the NYSE, and have relied on the controlled company exception provided under those rules. As a result, we do not have a majority of independent directors nor a separate nominating committee. In addition, our compensation committee does not consist entirely of independent directors and we are not required to have an annual performance evaluation of the compensation committee.

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Audit Committee. Our audit committee consists of Mr. Zhe Wei, Mr. Min Fan and Mr. Winston Li, and is chaired by Mr. Zhe Wei. We have determined that Messrs. Wei, Fan and Li satisfy the independence requirements of Section 303A of the Corporate Governance Rules of the NYSE and Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act. The audit committee will oversee our accounting and financial reporting processes and the audits of the financial statements of our company. The audit committee will be responsible for, among other things:

- appointing the independent auditors and pre-approving all auditing and non-auditing services permitted to be performed by the independent auditors;
- reviewing with the independent auditors any audit problems or difficulties and management s response;
- discussing the annual audited financial statements with management and the independent auditors;
- reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of our accounting and internal control policies and procedures and any steps taken to monitor and control major financial risk exposures;
- reviewing and approving all proposed related party transactions;
- meeting separately and periodically with management and the independent auditors; and
- monitoring compliance with our code of business conduct and ethics, including reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of our procedures to ensure proper compliance.

In 2015, our audit committee held meetings or passed unanimous written resolutions in lieu of meeting four times.

Compensation Committee. Our compensation committee consists of Mr. Li-Lan Cheng and Mr. Jian Sun, and is chaired by Mr. Cheng. Mr. Sun satisfies the independence requirements of Section 303A of the Corporate Governance Rules of NYSE. The compensation committee will assist the board in reviewing and approving the compensation structure, including all forms of compensation, relating to our directors and executive officers. Our chief executive officer may not be present at any committee meeting during which his compensation is deliberated upon. The compensation

committee will be responsible for, among other things:

- reviewing the total compensation package for our executive officers and making recommendations to the board with respect to it;
- approving and overseeing the total compensation package for our executives other than the three most senior executives;
- reviewing the compensation of our directors and making recommendations to the board with respect to it; and
- periodically reviewing and approving any long-term incentive compensation or equity plans, programs or similar arrangements, annual bonuses, and employee pension and welfare benefit plans.

In 2015, our compensation committee held meetings and passed unanimous written resolutions in lieu of meeting four times.

Duties of Directors

Under Cayman Islands law, our directors owe fiduciary duties to act honestly, in good faith and with a view to our best interests. Our directors also owe to our company a duty to act with skill and care. It was previously considered that a director need not exhibit in the performance of his duties a greater degree of skill than may reasonably be expected from a person of his knowledge and experience. However, English and commonwealth courts have moved towards an objective standard with regard to the required skill and care and these authorities are likely to be followed in the Cayman Islands. In fulfilling their duty of care to us, our directors must ensure compliance with our memorandum and articles of association, as amended and restated from time to time, and the class rights vested thereunder in the holders of the shares. Our company may in certain circumstances have rights to damages if a duty owed by the directors is breached.

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Our board of directors has all the powers necessary for manag	ng, and for directing and	d supervising, o	our business affairs.	The functions and
powers of our board of directors include, among others:				

- convening shareholders annual general meetings and reporting its work to shareholders at such meetings;
- declaring dividends and distributions;
- appointing officers and determining the term of office of the officers;
- exercising the borrowing powers of our company and mortgaging the property of our company; and
- approving the transfer of shares in our company, including the registration of such shares in our share register.

Terms of Directors and Officers

Our officers are elected by and serve at the discretion of the board of directors. Our directors are not subject to a term of office and hold office until such time as they are removed from office by ordinary resolution of the shareholders or by the board. A director will cease to be a director if, among other things, the director (i) becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors; (ii) dies or is found by our company to be or becomes of unsound mind; (iii) resigns his office by notice in writing to the company; (iv) without special leave of absence from our board of directors, is absent from meetings of our board of directors for six consecutive meetings and the board resolves that his office be vacated; or (v) is removed from office pursuant to any other provision of our memorandum and articles of association.

Employees D.

As of December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, we had 4,204, 4,931 and 5,297 employees, respectively. The table sets forth the number of employees by area of business as of December 31, 2015:

> Percentage of **Number of Employees Employees**

Sales	1,276	24.1%
Software Developers and Other Technology-related	375	7.1%
Editorial	1,095	20.7%
Customer Support	1,130	21.3%
Corporate Offices	1,421	16.8%
Total	5,297	100.0%

We pay our sales staff a combination of salaries and sales commissions and pay salaries to all other employees. We consider our relations with our employees to be good.

We place special emphasis on the training of our employees, whom we consider to be our most valuable asset. All newly hired employees must undergo intensive training during their three-month probation period. We also invite outside experts, including experts from the E-House Research and Training Institute, to provide ongoing classroom training to our employees. The human resources department is responsible for implementing the training plans, including engaging trainers, preparing training materials, selecting training venues and collecting feedback.

Because sales of online marketing services are highly competitive, we strongly emphasize training programs designed to improve the sales and marketing skills of our sales staff. In addition to training for new hires, our sales staff participate in weekly operating meetings that include additional training opportunities.

We conduct quarterly performance evaluations for all employees and use both performance-based bonuses and job promotions as incentives to encourage strong performance. We strive to maintain a collaborative corporate culture and our mid-level and senior employees are generally eligible to participate in our share incentive plan.

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E. <u>Share Ownership</u>

The following table sets forth information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our ordinary shares as of March 31, 2016 by:

- each of our directors and executive officers; and
- each person known to us to own beneficially more than 5.0% of our ordinary shares.

As of March 31, 2016, we had 139,489,416 ordinary shares issued. Among the 139,489,416 ordinary shares issued, 4,243,550 ordinary shares that had been issued to our depositary and reserved for future grants under our share incentive plan are not deemed as outstanding for the purpose of calculating the beneficial ownership in the following table. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage ownership of that person, we have included shares that the person has the right to acquire within 60 days from March 31, 2016, including through the exercise of any option, warrant or other right or the conversion of any other security. These shares, however, are not included in the computation of the percentage ownership of any other person.

	Shares Beneficially	Shares Beneficially Owned	
	Number	%	
Directors and Executive Officers:			
Xin Zhou	1,826,829	1.4	
Yinyu He	*	*	
Li-Lan Cheng	*	*	
Charles Chao	*	*	
Canhao Huang	*	*	
Martin Chi Ping Lau(1)	*	*	
Zhe Wei(2)	*	*	
Jian Sun(3)	*	*	
Min Fan(4)	*	*	
Winston Li	*	*	
Weijie Ma	*	*	
Keyi Chen	*	*	
Min Chen	*	*	
All Directors and Executive Officers as a Group()	3,442,971	2.5	
Principal Shareholders:			
E-House (China) Holdings Limited(5)	93,694,920	69.3	
Tencent Holdings Limited(6)	21,231,220	15.7	

Notes:

- * Less than 1% of our total outstanding shares.
- () Except where otherwise disclosed in the footnotes below, the business address of each of our directors and executive officers is 15/F, Beijing Shoudong International Plaza, No. 5 Building, Guangqu Home Dongcheng District, Beijing 100022, People s Republic of China.
- (1) The business address of Mr. Martin Chi Ping Lau is 39/F, Tencent Building, Kejizhongyi Avenue, Nanshan District, Shenzhen, People s Republic of China.
- (2) The business address of Mr. Zhe Wei is 3301, Kerry Parkside Office Building, 1155 Fangdian Rd., Pudong District, Shanghai, People s Republic of China.
- (3) The business address of Mr. Jian Sun is No. 124 Caobao Road, Xuhui District, Shanghai 200235, People s Republic of China.
- (4) The business address of Mr. Min Fan is No. 99 Fuquan Road, Changning District, Shanghai 200335, People s Republic of China.
- E-House (China) Holdings Limited, or E-House, is our parent company and is incorporated in the Cayman Islands, and its business address is 11/F, Qiushi Building, No. 383 Guangyan Road, Shanghai, 200072, People s Republic of China. E-House is a reporting company under the Exchange Act and listed on the New York Stock Exchange. On January 15, 2015, E-House completed a partial spin-off of us by distributing in the form of a dividend of 0.05 of our ordinary shares, par value \$0.001, for each of its ordinary shares outstanding as of December 3, 2014, or 0.05 of our ADSs, for each of its ADSs outstanding as of December 3, 2014. E-House distributed a total of 7,103,280 of our ordinary shares to holders of its ordinary shares in this manner, which include a total of 3,877,658 of our ordinary shares in the form of 3,877,658 ADSs to its ADS holders through its depositary bank.

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Represents 21,231,220 held by THL O Limited, or THL, a British Virgin Islands company and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Tencent Holdings Limited. or Tencent. See Item 7. Related Party

Transactions Transactions and Agreements with Tencent for more information. Tencent Holding Limited is incorporated in the Cayman Islands and its business address is 29/F., Three Pacific Place, No.1 Queen s Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong. Tencent is listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

To our knowledge, E-House entered into a merger agreement with E-House Holdings Ltd., or the Parent, and E-House Merger Sub Ltd., or the Merger Sub, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Parent, on April 15, 2016. The Parent is an acquisition vehicle whose shareholders will consist of the members of the buyer consortium that proposed to acquire all of E-House s outstanding shares other than the shares owned by the consortium members or their affiliates. Subject to satisfaction of the terms and conditions under the merger agreement, the Merger Sub will merge with and into E-House, with E-House continuing as the surviving corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Parent. E-House had been previously informed that SINA had agreed to exchange all the E-House shares held by SINA at the closing of the going-private transaction for a portion of the ordinary shares of Leju held by E-House at the closing, based on an exchange ratio determined in accordance with a mutually agreed formula. If the merger and the share exchange is consummated as contemplated, SINA will become a principal shareholder of our company. In addition, we cannot rule out the possibility that the buyer consortium will create security interest over E-House s assets, including E-House s shares in our company, at the closing of the going-private transaction, in order to obtain financing from their financing sources, which may result in a reduction of E-House s shareholding in our company in the event of default. See Item 3. Key Information D. Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Carve-out from E-House and Our Relationships with E-House The proposed going private transaction of E-House may materially affect our corporate structure, business and operations.

To our knowledge, as of March 31, 2016, 20,483,008 of our ordinary shares were held by one record holder in the United States, which was JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., the depositary of our ADS program. 4,243,550 of the 20,483,008 ordinary shares held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. are reserved for future grants under our share incentive plan. The number of beneficial owners of our ADSs in the United States is likely to be much larger than the number of record holders of our ordinary shares in the United States.

For the options granted to our directors, executive officers and employees, please refer to B. Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers.

ITEM 7. MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

A. <u>Major Shareholders</u>

Please refer to Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees E. Share Ownership.

B. Related Party Transactions

Transactions and Agreements with E-House

Agreements Related to Our Carve-out from E-House

We have entered into agreements with E-House with respect to various ongoing relationships between us. These include a master transaction agreement, an offshore transitional services agreement, an onshore transitional services agreement, a non-competition agreement and an onshore cooperation agreement. The following are summaries of these agreements.

Master Transaction Agreement

The master transaction agreement contains provisions relating to our carve-out from E-House. The master transaction agreement provides for cross-indemnities that generally will place the financial responsibility on us for all liabilities associated with the current and historical real estate online services business and operations that have been conducted by or transferred to us, and generally will place on E-House the financial responsibility for liabilities associated with all of E-House s other current and historical businesses and operations, in each case regardless of the time those liabilities arise. The master transaction agreement also contains indemnification provisions under which we and E-House will indemnify each other with respect to breaches of the master transaction agreement or any related inter-company agreement.

In addition, we have agreed to indemnify E-House against liabilities arising from misstatements or omissions in our SEC filings and from information we provide to E-House specifically for inclusion in E-House s annual or quarterly reports following the completion of our initial public offering, but only to the extent that the information pertains to us or our business or to the extent E-House provides us prior written notice that the information will be included in its annual or quarterly reports and the liability does not result from the action or inaction of E-House. Similarly, E-House will indemnify us against liabilities arising from misstatements or omissions in its subsequent SEC filings or with respect to information that E-House provided to us specifically for inclusion in our SEC filings.

The master transaction agreement contains a general release, under which the parties will release each other from any liabilities arising from events occurring on or before the initial filing date of the registration statement for our initial public offering, including in connection with the activities to implement our initial public offering. The general release does not apply to liabilities allocated between the parties under the master transaction agreement or the other inter-company agreements.

Furthermore, under the master transaction agreement, we have agreed to use our reasonable best efforts to use the same independent certified public accounting firm selected by E-House and to maintain the same fiscal year as E-House until the first E-House fiscal year-end occurring after the earlier of (i) the first date when E-House no longer owns at least 20% of the voting power of our then outstanding securities and (ii) the first date when E-House ceases to be the largest beneficial owner of our then outstanding voting securities (without considering holdings by certain institutional investors). We also have agreed to use our reasonable best efforts to complete our audit and provide E-House with all financial and other information on a timely basis so that E-House may meet its deadlines for its filing of annual and quarterly financial statements.

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The master transaction agreement will automatically terminate five years after the first date upon which E-House ceases to own in aggregate a least 20% of the voting power of our then outstanding securities. This agreement can be terminated early by mutual written consent of the parties.
Offshore Transitional Services Agreement
Under the offshore transitional services agreement, E-House agrees that, during the service period, E-House will provide us with various corporate support services, including:
accounting support;
administrative support;
marketing support;
• internal control support;
• customer service support; and
• legal support.
E-House also may provide us with additional services that we and E-House may identify from time to time in the future. It may engage third parties to provide services covered by the offshore transitional service agreement.

The offshore transitional service agreement provides that the performance of a service according to the agreement will not subject the provider of such service to any liability whatsoever except as directly caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the service provider. Liability for gross negligence or willful misconduct is limited to the lower of the price paid for the particular service or the cost of the service s recipient performing the service itself or hiring a third party to perform the service. Under the offshore transitional services agreement, the service provider of each service is indemnified by the recipient against all third-party claims relating to provision of services or the recipient s material breach of a third-party agreement, except where the claim is directly caused by the service provider s gross negligence or willful misconduct.

The price to be paid for the services provided under the offshore transitional service agreement shall be the actual direct costs and indirect costs of providing such services. Direct costs include compensation and travel expenses attributable to employees, temporary workers, and contractors directly engaged in performing the services as well as materials and supplies consumed in performing the services. Indirect costs include occupancy, information technology supervision and other overhead costs of the department incurring the direct costs of providing the service.

The offshore transitional services agreement provides for a service period commencing on the date when the registration statement on Form F-1 for our initial public offering is first publicly filed with the SEC, and ending on the date when E-House ceases to own in aggregate at least 20% of the voting power of our then outstanding securities or ceases to be the largest beneficial owner of our then outstanding voting securities, without considering holdings of institutional investors that have acquired our securities in the ordinary course of their business and not with a purpose nor with the effect of changing or influencing our control.

Either party may terminate the offshore transitional services agreement with respect to either all or part of the services by giving a 90-day prior written notice to the other party. The agreement provides for an early termination fee in the case of early termination by E-House, but does not quantify the amount of or specify the calculation method, for such fee.

Onshore Transitional Services Agreement

The onshore transitional services agreement adopts terms and conditions similar to those of the offshore transitional services agreement. Under the onshore transitional services agreement, Shanghai Real Estate Sales (Group) Co., Limited, an indirectly wholly owned subsidiary of E-House, or E-House Shanghai, agrees, during the applicable service period, to provide Beijing Leju, Beijing Jiajujiu, Shanghai Yi Xin, Shanghai SINA Leju, Beijing Maiteng, Shanghai Yi Yue and E-House City Rehouse Real Estate Broker (Shanghai) Co., Ltd., or the Leju PRC Entities, and/or their designated PRC affiliates, with various corporate support services, including accounting support, administrative support, internal control and internal audit support, marketing support, customer service support and legal support. E-House Shanghai also may provide the Leju PRC Entities with additional services that the Leju PRC Entities and E-House Shanghai may identify from time to time in the future. E-House Shanghai may engage its PRC affiliates or other third parties to provide services covered by the onshore transitional services agreement.

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The price to be paid for the services provided under the onshore transitional services agreement shall be the actual direct costs and indirect costs of providing such services. Direct costs include compensation and travel expenses attributable to employees, temporary workers, and contractors directly engaged in performing the services as well as materials and supplies consumed in performing the services. Indirect costs include occupancy, information technology supervision and other overhead costs of the department incurring the direct costs of providing the service.

The onshore transitional services agreement provides for a service period commencing on the date when the registration statement on Form F-1 for our initial public offering is first publicly filed with the SEC, and ending on the date when E-House ceases to own in aggregate at least 20% of the voting power of our then outstanding securities or ceases to be the largest beneficial owner of our then outstanding voting securities, without considering holdings of institutional investors that have acquired our securities in the ordinary course of their business and not with a purpose nor with the effect of changing or influencing our control.

Either E-House Shanghai or the Leju PRC Entities may terminate either all or part of the services by giving a 90-day prior written notice to the other party. The agreement provides for an early termination fee in the case of early termination by the Leju PRC Entities, but does not quantify the amount of or specify the calculation method, for such fee.

E-House charged us a fee based on an estimate of the actual costs incurred to provide services under the offshore and onshore transitional services agreements, which amounted to \$10.4 million for the period from April 17, 2014, the date of our initial public offering, to December 31, 2014, and \$6.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Non-competition Agreement

The non-competition agreement provides for a non-competition period beginning on the date of the agreement and ending on the later of (i) three years after the first date when E-House ceases to own in aggregate at least 20% of the voting power of our then outstanding securities and (ii) five years after the date that the registration statement on Form F-1 for our initial public offering is first publicly filed with the SEC. This agreement can be terminated early by mutual written consent of the parties.

E-House has agreed not to compete with us during the non-competition period in the business of providing real estate e-commerce, online advertising and listing services, anywhere in the world. We have agreed not to compete with E-House during the non-competition period in any business conducted by E-House as described in its periodic filings with the SEC, other than the businesses we are engaged in as described in the prospectus for our initial public offering.

The non-competition agreement also provides for a mutual non-solicitation obligation that neither E-House nor we may, during the non-competition period, hire, or solicit for hire, any active employees of or individuals providing consulting services to the other party, or any former employees of or individuals providing consulting services to the other party within six months of the termination of their employment or consulting services, without the other party s consent, except for solicitation activities through generalized non-targeted advertisement not directed to such employees or individuals that do not result in a hiring within the non-competition period.

Onshore Cooperation Agreement

Under this onshore cooperation agreement, E-House Shanghai, Beijing Leju, Beijing Jiajujiu and Shanghai Yi Xin agree that they will cooperate with each other in sharing information about potential demands for products and/or services and developing clients. If any party is aware that its customers, suppliers or other business partners may have demands for the products and/or services of the primary business of any other party, it will share such information with such other party, to the extent not in violation of any applicable law and its confidentiality obligations or other terms under any contract binding on such party. Furthermore, the parties agree to cooperate with each other, to the extent commercially reasonable and in the manner deemed to be appropriate, in referring the principal products and/or services of any other party, joint pitching for and negotiating with clients, and entering into agreements with clients. In the event the parties jointly enter into an agreement with a client, they shall determine their respective rights and obligations in writing through amicable negotiations, and based on the principle of fairness and the fair market values of the products and/or services offered by the parties. The parties agree not to charge any fees for their cooperation and assistance provided under the agreement unless they separately and explicitly agree otherwise.

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The onshore cooperation agreement provides for a term commencing on its date of execution and ending on the date when E-House ceases to own in aggregate at least 20% of the voting power of our then outstanding securities or ceases to be the largest beneficial owner of our then outstanding voting securities, without considering holdings of institutional investors that have acquired our securities in the ordinary course of their business and not with a purpose nor with the effect of changing or influencing our control. The onshore cooperation agreement does not provide any early termination right.

Other Transactions and Agreements with E-House

Expenses allocated from E-House for corporate selling, general and administrative services amounted to \$15.5 million and \$2.9 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2013, and the period from January 1, 2014 to April 16, 2014, one day before our initial public offering. The amounts of these expenses were based on a variety of factors and dependent on the nature of the expenses being allocated. These expenses consist primarily of share-based compensation expenses of senior management and shared marketing and management expenses including marketing, finance, legal, technology, human resources, administration and internal audit. These allocations were made using a proportional cost allocation method based on revenues and headcount as well as estimates of actual time spent on the provision of services attributable to us. We believe that these allocations are reasonable.

For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014, and 2015, we derived revenues in the amount of \$10,614, \$0.2 million and \$28,679 from providing online advertising services to E-House. For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014, and 2015, we recognized expenses for services provided by E-House of \$0.9 million, \$1.2 million and \$5.9 million, respectively.

In March 2015, we declared a cash dividend of \$0.20 per ordinary share, or \$0.20 per ADS, and paid an aggregate of \$18.7 million to E-House directly from our additional paid-in capital account in May 2015.

As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, we had a payable to E-House of \$1.6 million and \$7.8 million, respectively.

With respect to our sales of discount coupons for property developments in Beijing, for regulatory reasons the fees for such discount coupons are collected by E-House on our behalf and either remitted to us or used to offset amounts owed by us to E-House. In the past, E-House did not charge any fee or commission for its provision of this service to us.

Loans Outstanding

As of December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, we had outstanding loan payables to E-House in the amount of \$42.5 million, \$42.5 million and nil, respectively, which are interest free and settleable on demand. The loans were advanced by E-House primarily for general working capital requirements.

During the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2014, respectively, E-House loaned \$1,000 and nil, respectively, to us to fund capital injections into our PRC subsidiaries. Such loans were waived by E-House pursuant to a release agreement entered into in January 2014 and have been recorded as capital contributions as of the dates on which such loans were originally made.

For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, the largest aggregate amount outstanding under loans made to us by E-House was \$86.3 million, \$42.5 million and \$42.5 million, respectively. As of March 31, 2016, we had no principal amount outstanding under these loans.

Transactions and Agreements with SINA

In 2008, SINA reorganized its real estate and home furnishing websites and online real estate advertising business into a separate unit with its own legal entities, management team, advertising operations, systems and physical facilities. Pursuant to the reorganization, SINA and E-House formed a joint venture, China Online Housing, which subsequently became our wholly owned subsidiary in December 2013 as part of a corporate reorganization by E-House. The terms of the joint venture provided China Online Housing with the rights, for an initial term of ten years, to use the E-House real estate information database and operate the SINA real estate and home furnishing websites, including licenses to use SINA s trademark, domain names, website technologies and certain software.

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In 2009, SINA and China Online Housing entered into an amended and restated advertising inventory agency agreement, a domain name and content license agreement, a restated trademark license agreement and a software license and support services agreement. In March 2014, we and SINA entered into an advertising inventory agency agreement, an amended and restated domain name and content license agreement, an amended and restated trademark license agreement and an amended and restated software license and support services agreement. The principal effect of the agreements entered into in March 2014 is to extend the term of our agreements with SINA through 2024.

Advertising Inventory Agency Agreement

Under the advertising inventory agency agreement, we have the exclusive right to sell advertising to real estate, home furnishing and construction materials advertisers on all SINA non-real estate websites. We are required to pay SINA fees of approximately 15% of the revenues generated from sales of advertising on SINA non-real estate websites, subject to certain limitations on the amount of advertising that we may sell and fees payable by us to SINA based on the amount of advertising sold. In addition, we authorize SINA as our exclusive agent to sell non-real estate-related advertising on our directly operated websites. We are entitled to receive approximately 85% of the revenues generated from these sales. The initial term of the amended and restated advertising inventory agency agreement is ten years, expiring in 2024.

Domain Name and Content License Agreement

Under the amended and restated domain name and content license agreement, an affiliate of SINA, or licensor, granted to us an exclusive license to use its five domain names, namely, house.sina.com.cn, jiaju.sina.com.cn, construction.sina.com.cn, dichan.sina.com.cn, and esf.sina.com.cn in connection with our real estate internet operations in China. In addition, the licensor also granted to us an exclusive license to use all contents, whose copyrights are owned by the licensor or owned by a third-party provider but is sub-licensable by the licensor without requiring payment of any additional fees and without violating the terms of any agreement with such third party provider, in connection with websites associated with the domain names licensed to us. For other operating contents, we may enter into an agreement with the owner independently and will be responsible for the costs associated with procuring the contents. The licenses are for an initial term of ten years expiring in 2024.

Amended and Restated Trademark License Agreement

Under the amended and restated trademark license agreement, an affiliate of SINA granted to us a non-exclusive license to use three SINA trademarks and an exclusive license to use four SINA related trademarks in connection with our real estate online operations in China through websites located at *leju.com* and the websites located at *house.sina.com.cn*, *jiaju.sina.com.cn*, *construction.sina.com.cn*, *dichan.sina.com.cn* and *esf.sina.com.cn*. The licenses are for an initial term of ten years expiring in 2024.

Amended and Restated Software License and Support Services Agreement

Under the amended and restated software license and support services agreement, a subsidiary of SINA, or licensor, granted to us a non-exclusive license to use (i) the proprietary software used for, among other things, internet content publishing, advertising publishing, sales

management, procurement reimbursement, financial management flow, statistics, monitoring and censoring; (ii) certain current software products and interfaces necessary to facilitate our use of such current software products; (iii) the databases; (iv) certain improvements to the licensed software; and (v) related documentation and hardware, in each case to the extent such items (other than licensor improvements) exist and have been delivered to us under the software license and support service agreement executed in 2009. The licensor also provided to us infrastructure necessary to operate our websites and facilitate our use of the licensed software. In addition, the licensor also provided support services, including routine maintenance, technical support and hardware support. The licenses are for an initial term of ten years expiring in 2024 and free of any fees (subject to certain exceptions). However, to the extent that there are any reasonable, incremental costs for use of the licensed software or the infrastructure, or provision of the support services, due to a change in the business needs, we are required to reimburse the licensor for all such costs.

Transactions and Agreements with Tencent

Strategic Cooperation Agreement

On March 10, 2014, we entered into a strategic cooperation agreement with Tencent, a provider of comprehensive internet services serving the largest online community in China. Pursuant to the strategic cooperation agreement, we and Tencent have agreed to jointly develop software and tools for use on Tencent s social communication platform, Weixin, to facilitate our opening of Weixin public accounts associated with real estate projects, which we believe will provide real estate information to Weixin users, enable us to better connect with our users through such accounts and expand payment solutions provided to users. We have agreed to adopt Weixin payment solutions as the default payment method for real estate O2O e-commerce transactions conducted by our users on Weixin. We and Tencent have also agreed to explore and pursue additional opportunities for potential cooperation, including but not limited to cooperation involving Tencent s social communications platform, including Weixin, QQ and mobile QQ; the social media service, Tencent Weibo; the social networking service, Qzone; and/or certain other Tencent wholly-owned internet properties in China.

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Share Purchase and Subscription Agreement

On March 21, 2014, we entered into a share purchase and subscription agreement with E-House and Tencent, pursuant to which Tencent acquired from E-House 19,201,800 of our ordinary shares, or 15% of our total outstanding shares on a fully diluted basis, including all options and restricted shares and any other rights to acquire our shares that were granted and outstanding, for \$180 million in cash. Concurrent with the consummation of our initial public offering, Tencent purchased 2,029,420 ordinary shares from us at a price per ordinary share equal to the initial public offering price per ordinary shares to maintain a 15% equity interest in us (on a fully diluted basis, including all options and restricted shares and any other rights to acquire our shares that were granted and outstanding, and assuming the underwriters exercised their over-allotment options to purchase additional ADSs in full) as of the consummation of our initial public offering.

The share purchase and subscription agreement provides for certain restrictions on the transfer of the ordinary shares purchased pursuant to the share purchase and subscription agreement. For an 18-month lock-up period that commenced on the purchase date, Tencent may not directly or indirectly transfer or pledge any of the ordinary shares purchased from E-House without our prior written consent. For a six month lock-up period that commenced on the purchase of the ordinary shares from us concurrent with our initial public offering, Tencent may not directly or indirectly transfer or pledge any of such ordinary shares without our prior written consent.

Investor Rights Agreement

On March 31, 2014, being the closing of the sale of shares to Tencent by E-House under the share purchase and subscription agreement, we entered into an investor rights agreement with E-House and Tencent, which granted E-House and Tencent certain registration rights with respect to our ordinary shares owned by them, granted certain board representation rights to Tencent and placed certain restrictions on the transfer of our ordinary shares by E-House or Tencent.

Demand registration rights. Both E-House and Tencent have the right to demand that we effect a registration covering the offer and sale of their ordinary shares. E-House and Tencent are each entitled to an aggregate of three such registrations. We, however, are not required to prepare and file (i) more than two demand registration statements in any 12-month period, or (ii) any demand registration statement within 120 days following the date of effectiveness of any other registration statement. If the demand registration relates to an underwritten public offering and the managing underwriter advises in its reasonable opinion that the number of securities requested to be included in the demand registration exceeds the largest number which reasonably can be sold in such offering without having a material adverse effect on such offering, we will include in such demand registration, up to the maximum offering size, following the order of priority: (i) the registrable securities that the requesting parties propose to register; and (ii) any securities we propose to register and any securities with respect to which any other security holder has requested registration. If the managing underwriter determines that less than all of the registrable securities proposed to be sold can be included in such offering, then the registrable securities that are included in such offering shall be allocated pro rata among the respective requesting parties on the basis of registrable securities sought to be registered by each requesting party.

Shelf registration rights. Once we are eligible to file a shelf registration statement pursuant to Rule 415 promulgated under the Securities Act, both E-House and Tencent will have the right to demand that we file a shelf registration statement covering their ordinary shares. We, however, will not be required to prepare and file more than two shelf registration statements in any 12-month period.

Piggyback registration rights. If we propose to file a registration statement for an offering of our ordinary shares, other than in a transaction of the type referred to in Rule 145 under the Securities Act or to our employees pursuant to any employee benefit plan, then we must offer E-House and Tencent an opportunity to include in the registration all or any part of their registrable securities. If the piggyback registration relates to an underwritten public offering and the managing underwriter advises in its reasonable opinion that the number of securities requested to be included in the piggyback registration together with the securities being registered by us or any other security holder exceeds the largest number which reasonably can be sold in such offering without having a material adverse effect on such offering, then (i) if we initiate the piggyback registration, we will include in such registration the securities we propose to register first, and allocate the remaining part of the maximum offering size to all other selling security holders on a *pro rata* basis; (ii) if any holder of our securities initiated the piggyback registration, we will include, up to the maximum offering size, first the securities such initiating security holder proposes to register, then the securities of any other selling security holders on a *pro rata* basis, and lastly the securities we propose to register.

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Blackout periods. We are entitled to two blackout periods, aggregating to no more than 90 days in any consecutive 12-month period, during which we can delay the filing or effectiveness of a registration statement, if we would, in the good faith judgment of our board of directors, be required to disclose in the prospectus information not otherwise then required by law to be publicly disclosed, and there is a reasonable likelihood that such disclosure, or any other action to be taken in connection with the prospectus, would materially and adversely affect or interfere with any significant financing, acquisition, merger, disposition of assets, corporate reorganization or other material transaction of negotiations involving us.

Expenses of registration. We will pay all expenses relating to any demand or piggyback registration, except that either E-House and Tencent shall bear and pay all (i) brokerage commissions, (ii) ADS issuance fees payable to any depositary institution, (iii) commissions, fees, spreads, discounts, transfer taxes, stamp duties, (iv) fees and expenses of its counsel or other advisers, subject to certain amounts that we will pay, and (v) their own out-of-pocket expenses, in each case, with respect to only such holder s registrable securities.

Board representation. For so long as Tencent is the beneficial owner of at least 10% of our issued and outstanding ordinary shares, Tencent will have the right to designate one director to our board of directors.

Restrictions on transfer. For so long as Tencent is the beneficial owner of at least 10% of our issued and outstanding ordinary shares, Tencent s prior written consent will be required for (i) a change of control of our company that results in certain specified entities, as agreed by us and Tencent, controlling us, (ii) the issuance, by way of a privately negotiated transaction, of equity securities representing more than 10% of our issued and outstanding share capital to certain specified entities, or (iii) the transfer or other disposition, by way of a privately negotiated transaction, of equity securities representing more than 10% of our issued and outstanding share capital by E-House to certain specified entities, in each case, subject to certain exceptions. Tencent will not, without our prior written consent, transfer or otherwise dispose, by way of a privately negotiated transaction, of our equity securities held by Tencent to certain specified entities, subject to certain exceptions.

Transactions with Certain Related Customers and Suppliers, Shareholders, Directors and Affiliates

Transactions with Related Customers and Suppliers

Transactions with SINA. As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, we had a payable balance of \$1.7 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, to SINA, representing online advertising agency fee payable to SINA. The total cost recognized for the advertising agency fee purchased from SINA was \$6.0 million, \$6.6 million and \$6.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. Mr. Charles Chao, SINA s chief executive Officer and chairman of SINA s board, serves as a co-chairman of E-House s board of directors. We also derived revenues in the amount of nil,

nil and \$19,899 from providing online advertising services to SINA for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

Transactions with Beijing China Real Estate Research Association Technology Ltd., or CRERAT. CRERAT is a joint venture formed by E-House with China Real Estate Research Association and China Real Estate Association. As of December 31, 2014, we had a receivable balance from CRERAT of \$684, representing the cash paid to suppliers on behalf of CRERAT for the purchase of marketing services. As of December 31, 2015, we had a receivable balance from CRERAT of \$8,906, representing the cash paid to suppliers on behalf of CRERAT for the purchase of marketing services. We also provided online advertising services to CRERAT of nil, nil and \$3.174, respectively, in 2013, 2014 and 2015.

Transactions with Management

See Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees Management B. Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers.

Amount due to management as of December 31, 2014 and 2015 were \$1.8 million and \$0.9 million, respectively. The amount due to management represents consideration paid by management for unvested restricted shares. Amount due to E-House management as of December 31, 2014 and 2015 were \$0.2 million and \$92,000, respectively. The amount due to E-House management represents consideration paid by E-House management for unvested restricted shares.

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Contractual Arrangements with Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu (the consolidated variable interest entities)
See Item 4. Information on the Company C. Organizational Structure.
Share Options and Restricted Shares
See Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees B. Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers Share Incentive Plan.
C. <u>Interests of Experts and Counsel</u>
Not applicable.
ITEM 8. FINANCIAL INFORMATION
A. <u>Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information</u>
We have appended consolidated financial statements filed as part of this annual report.
Legal Proceedings
We are currently not involved in any material legal or arbitration proceedings. From time to time, we may be subject to claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business, such as intellectual property infringement claims against us for use of others—articles or photographs and employment disputes and claims against us for use of our discount coupons. Such claims or legal actions, even if without merit, could result in the expenditure of significant financial and management resources and potentially result in civil liability for damages.
Dividend Policy

Subject to our memorandum and articles of association and the laws of the Cayman Islands, our board of directors has complete discretion on whether to distribute dividends. Our shareholders may by ordinary resolution declare a dividend, but not exceeding the amount recommended by our board of directors. Our board of directors intends on paying dividends only to the extent cash is available in the offshore entities. Even if our board of directors decides to pay dividends, the form, frequency and amount will depend upon our future operations and earnings, capital requirements and surplus, general financial condition, contractual restrictions and other factors that the board of directors may deem relevant. If we pay any dividends, we will pay our ADS holders to the same extent as holders of our ordinary shares, subject to the terms of the deposit agreement, including the fees and expenses payable thereunder. Cash dividends on our ordinary shares, if any, will be paid in U.S. dollars.

We rely principally on dividends from our PRC subsidiaries for our cash requirements, to the extent existing cash in our offshore entities is fully utilized, including any debt we may incur.

As authorized by our board of directors, we paid a cash dividend of \$0.20 on or about May 15, 2015, for each of our ordinary shares issued and outstanding as of April 10, 2015, or each of our ADSs outstanding as of April 10, 2015. Our board of directors decides the timing, amount and form of any future dividends, if any, based on, among other things, our future results of operations and cash flow, our capital requirements and surplus, the amount of distributions, if any, received by us from our subsidiaries, our financial condition, contractual restrictions and other factors deemed relevant by our board of directors.

We are a holding company incorporated in the Cayman Islands. We rely principally on dividends from our subsidiaries in China for our cash requirements, including any payment of dividends to our shareholders. PRC regulations may restrict the ability of our PRC subsidiaries to pay dividends to us. See Item 4. Information on the Company B. Business Overview Regulation Regulations relating to Dividend Distributions.

B. <u>Significant Changes</u>

Except as disclosed elsewhere in this annual report, we have not experienced any significant changes since the date of our audited consolidated financial statements included in this annual report.

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ITEM 9. THE OFFER AND LISTING

A. <u>Offering and Listing Details</u>

Our ADSs have been listed on the NYSE since April 17, 2014 under the symbol LEJU . Each ADS represents one of our ordinary shares.

In 2015, the trading price of our ADSs on the NYSE ranged from \$13.30 to \$4.38 per ADS.

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low trading prices on the NYSE for our ADSs.

	Sales Price	Sales Price (\$)	
	High	Low	
Annual Highs and Lows			
2014 (Since April 17, 2014)	18.60	8.01	
2015	13.30	4.38	
Quarterly Highs and Lows			
2014			
Second Quarter (Since April 17, 2014)	13.37	8.01	
Third Quarter	18.60	10.49	
Fourth Quarter	16.14	9.76	
2015			
First Quarter	13.30	6.66	
Second Quarter	10.82	7.36	
Third Quarter	8.47	4.38	
Fourth Quarter	7.57	5.39	
Monthly Highs and Lows			
October 2015	7.30	5.39	
November 2015	7.57	5.47	
December 2015	6.00	5.39	
January 2016	5.68	3.88	
February 2016	4.06	3.28	
March 2016	5.83	3.70	
April 2016 (through April 21, 2016)	5.69	4.94	

B. <u>Plan of Distribution</u>

Not applicable.

C.	<u>Markets</u>
Our ADSs, each repr	esenting one of our ordinary shares, have been traded on the NYSE since April 17, 2014 under the symbol LEJU.
D.	Selling Shareholders
Not applicable.	
E.	<u>Dilution</u>
Not applicable.	
F.	Expenses of the Issue
Not applicable.	
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ITEM 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		
A. Share Capital		
Not applicable.		
B. <u>Memorandum and Articles of Association</u>		
We are a Cayman Islands exempted company with limited liability and our affairs are governed by our memorandum and articles of association, as amended and restated from time to time, the Companies Law (2013 Revision) of the Cayman Islands, which is referred to as the Companies Law below, and the common law of the Cayman Islands.		
The following are summaries of material provisions of our current amended and restated memorandum and articles of association that became effective immediately prior to the completion of our initial public offering in April 2014, insofar as they relate to the material terms of our ordinary shares.		
Registered Office and Objects		
Our registered office in the Cayman Islands is located at the offices of Maples Corporate Services Limited at PO Box 309, Ugland House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands, or at such other place as our board of directors may from time to time decide. The objects for which our company is established are unrestricted and we have full power and authority to carry out any object not prohibited by the Companies Law, as amended from time to time, or any other law of the Cayman Islands.		
Board of Directors		
See Item 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees C. Board Practices.		
Ordinary Shares		

General. All of our issued and outstanding ordinary shares are fully paid and non-assessable. Our ordinary shares are issued in registered form, and are issued when registered in our register of members. Our shareholders who are non-residents of the Cayman Islands may freely hold and vote their ordinary shares. Our company will not issue bearer or negotiable shares.

Register of Members. Under Cayman Islands law, we must keep a register of members and there should be entered therein:

- the names and addresses of the members, a statement of the shares held by each member, and of the amount paid or agreed to be considered as paid, on the shares of each member;
- the date on which the name of any person was entered on the register as a member; and
- the date on which any person ceased to be a member.

Under Cayman Islands law, the register of members of our company is prima facie evidence of the matters set out therein (i.e., the register of members will raise a presumption of fact on the matters referred to above unless rebutted) and a member registered in the register of members is deemed as a matter of Cayman Islands law to have legal title to the shares as set against its name in the register of members.

If the name of any person is incorrectly entered in or omitted from our register of members, or if there is any default or unnecessary delay in entering on the register the fact of any person having ceased to be a member of our company, the person or member aggrieved (or any member of our company or our company itself) may apply to the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands for an order that the register be rectified, and the Court may either refuse such application or it may, if satisfied of the justice of the case, make an order for the rectification of the register.

Dividends. The holders of our ordinary shares are entitled to such dividends as may be declared by our board of directors. In addition, our shareholders may by ordinary resolution declare a dividend, but no dividend may exceed the amount recommended by our directors. Under Cayman Islands law, dividends may be declared and paid only out of funds legally available therefor, namely out of either profit or our share premium account, provided that a dividend may not be paid if this would result in our company being unable to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

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Voting Rights. Each shareholder is entitled to one vote on a show of hands or, on a poll, to one vote for each share registered in his name on the register of members, on all matters upon which the ordinary shares are entitled to vote. Voting at any meeting of shareholders is by show of hands unless a poll is demanded. A poll may be demanded by the chairman of such meeting or any one or more shareholders present in person or by proxy entitled to vote and who together hold not less than ten percent of the paid up voting share capital.

An ordinary resolution to be passed by the shareholders requires the affirmative vote of a simple majority of the votes cast by those shareholders entitled to vote who are present in person or by proxy at a general meeting, while a special resolution requires the affirmative vote of no less than two-thirds of the votes cast by those shareholders entitled to vote who are present in person or by proxy at a general meeting. Both ordinary resolutions and special resolutions may also be passed by a unanimous written resolution signed by all the shareholders of our company, as permitted by the Companies Law and our memorandum and articles of association. A special resolution will be required for important matters such as a change of name or making changes to our memorandum and articles of association.

Transfer of Ordinary Shares. Any of our shareholders may transfer all or any of his or her ordinary shares by an instrument of transfer in the usual or common form or any other form approved by our board of directors.

However, our board of directors may, in its absolute discretion, decline to register any transfer of any ordinary share which is not fully paid up or on which our company has a lien. Our board of directors may also decline to register any transfer of any ordinary share unless:

- the instrument of transfer is lodged with us, accompanied by the certificate for the ordinary shares to which it relates and such other evidence as our board of directors may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer;
- the instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of shares;
- the instrument of transfer is properly stamped, if required;
- the ordinary shares transferred are fully paid and free of any lien in favor of us;
- any fee related to the transfer has been paid to us; or

• in the case of a transfer to joint holders, the transfer is not to more than four joint holders.

If our directors refuse to register a transfer they are required, within two months after the date on which the instrument of transfer was lodged, to send to each of the transferor and the transferee notice of such refusal.

Liquidation. On a winding up of our company, if the assets available for distribution among our shareholders shall be more than sufficient to repay the whole of the share capital at the commencement of the winding up, the surplus will be distributed among our shareholders in proportion to the par value of the shares held by them at the commencement of the winding up, subject to a deduction from those shares in respect of which there are monies due, of all monies payable to our company for unpaid calls or otherwise. If our assets available for distribution are insufficient to repay all of the paid-up capital, the assets will be distributed so that the losses are borne by our shareholders in proportion to the par value of the shares held by them. We are a limited liability company registered under the Companies Law, and under the Companies Law, the liability of our members is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid on the shares respectively held by them. Our memorandum of association contains a declaration that the liability of our members is so limited.

Calls on Ordinary Shares and Forfeiture of Ordinary Shares. Our board of directors may from time to time make calls upon shareholders for any amounts unpaid on their ordinary shares. The ordinary shares that have been called upon and remain unpaid are subject to forfeiture.

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Redemption, Repurchase and Surrender of Ordinary Shares. We may issue shares on terms that such shares are subject to redemption, at our option or at the option of the holders thereof, on such terms and in such manner as may be determined, before the issue of such shares, by our board of directors. Our company may also repurchase any of our shares provided that the manner and terms of such purchase have been approved by ordinary resolution of our shareholders, or are otherwise authorized by our memorandum and articles of association. Under the Companies Law, the redemption or repurchase of any share may be paid out of our company s profits or out of the proceeds of a fresh issue of shares made for the purpose of such redemption or repurchase, or out of capital (including share premium account and capital redemption reserve) if our company can, immediately following such payment, pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business. In addition, under the Companies Law no such share may be redeemed or repurchased (i) unless it is fully paid up; (ii) if such redemption or repurchase would result in there being no shares outstanding; or (iii) if the company has commenced liquidation. In addition, our company may accept the surrender of any fully paid share for no consideration.

Variations of Rights of Shares. If at any time, our share capital is divided into different classes or series of shares, all or any of the special rights attached to any class or series of shares (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class or series) may be varied with the consent in writing of the holders of a majority of the issued shares of that class or series or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a general meeting of the holders of the shares of that class or series. The rights conferred upon the holders of the shares of any class or series issued with preferred or other rights will not, unless otherwise expressly provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class or series, be deemed to be varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking pari passu with such existing class of shares.

General Meetings of Shareholders and Shareholder Proposals. As a Cayman Islands exempted company, we are not obligated by the Companies Law to call shareholders—annual general meetings. Our memorandum and articles of association provide that we may (but are not obligated to) in each year hold a general meeting as our annual general meeting in which case we shall specify the meeting as such in the notices calling it, and the annual general meeting shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by our directors.

Shareholders annual general meetings and any other general meetings of our shareholders may be convened by a majority of our board of directors. Advance notice of at least seven calendar days is required for the convening of our annual general meeting and any other general meeting of our shareholders. A quorum required for a general meeting of shareholders consists of shareholders present in person or by proxy, representing not less than one-third of the votes attaching to the issued and outstanding shares in our company entitled to vote at general meetings.

Cayman Islands law provides shareholders with only limited rights to requisition a general meeting, and does not provide shareholders with any right to put any proposal before a general meeting. However, these rights may be provided in a company starticles of association. Our memorandum and articles of association allow our shareholders holding shares representing in aggregate not less than one-third of the votes attaching to the issued and outstanding shares of our company entitled to vote at general meetings, to requisition an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders, in which case our directors are obligated to call such meeting and to put the resolutions so requisitioned to a vote at such meeting; however, our memorandum and articles of association do not provide our shareholders with any right to put any proposals before annual general meetings or extraordinary general meetings not called by such shareholders.

Election and Removal of Directors. Unless otherwise determined by our company in general meeting, our articles of association provide that our board will consist of not less than three directors. There are no provisions relating to retirement of directors upon reaching any age limit.

The directors have the power to appoint any person as a director either to fill a casual vacancy on the board or as an addition to the existing board. Our shareholders may also appoint any person to be a director by way of ordinary resolution.

A director may be removed with or without cause by ordinary resolution.

In addition, the office of any director shall be vacated if the director (i) becomes bankrupt or makes any arrangement or composition with his creditors, (ii) dies or is found to be or becomes of unsound mind, (iii) resigns his office by notice in writing to the Company; (iv) without special leave of absence from our board of directors, is absent from meetings of our board of directors for six consecutive meetings and the board resolves that his office be vacated; or (v) is removed from office pursuant to any other provision of our memorandum and articles of association.

Proceedings of Board of Directors. Our memorandum and articles of association provide that our business is to be managed and conducted by our board of directors. The quorum necessary for board meetings may be fixed by the board and, unless so fixed at another number, will be a majority of the directors, including the chairman.

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Our memorandum and articles of association provide that the board may from time to time at its discretion exercise all powers of our company to raise or borrow money, to mortgage or charge all or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and uncalled capital of our company and to issue debentures, bonds and other securities of our company, whether outright or as collateral security for any debt, liability or obligation of our company or of any third party.

Inspection of Books and Records. Holders of our ordinary shares have no general right under Cayman Islands law to inspect or obtain copies of our list of shareholders or our corporate records. However, we intend to provide our shareholders with annual audited financial statements. See Where You Can Find Additional Information.

Changes in Capital. Our shareholders may from time to time by ordinary resolution:

- increase our share capital by such sum, to be divided into shares of such classes and amount, as the resolution shall prescribe;
- consolidate and divide all or any of our share capital into shares of a larger amount than our existing shares;
- sub-divide our existing shares, or any of them into shares of a smaller amount, provided that in the subdivision the proportion between the amount paid and the amount, if any, unpaid on each reduced share shall be the same as it was in case of the share from which the reduced share is derived; or
- cancel any shares which, at the date of the passing of the resolution, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person and diminish the amount of our share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

Our shareholders may by special resolution, subject to confirmation by the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands on an application by our company for an order confirming such reduction, reduce our share capital or any capital redemption reserve in any manner permitted by law.

Exempted Company. We are an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law. The Companies Law in the Cayman Islands distinguishes between ordinary resident companies and exempted companies. Any company that is registered in the Cayman Islands but conducts business mainly outside of the Cayman Islands may apply to be registered as an exempted company. The requirements for an exempted company are essentially the same as for an ordinary company except for the exemptions and privileges listed below:

• of Comp	an exempted company does not have to file an annual return of its shareholders with the Registrar panies;
•	an exempted company s register of members is not required to be open to inspection;
•	an exempted company does not have to hold an annual general meeting;
•	an exempted company may issue no par value, negotiable or bearer shares;
• undertak	an exempted company may obtain an undertaking against the imposition of any future taxation (such tings are usually given for 20 years in the first instance);
• Cayman	an exempted company may register by way of continuation in another jurisdiction and be deregistered in the Islands;
•	an exempted company may register as a limited duration company; and
•	an exempted company may register as a segregated portfolio company.
company (liability means that the liability of each shareholder is limited to the amount unpaid by the shareholder on that shareholder is shares of the except in exceptional circumstances, such as involving fraud, the establishment of an agency relationship or an illegal or improper other circumstances in which a court may be prepared to pierce or lift the corporate veil).
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We are subject to reporting and other informational requirements of the Exchange Act, as applicable to foreign private issuers. Except as otherwise disclosed in this annual report, we currently intend to comply with the NYSE rules in lieu of home country practice.

C. Material Contracts

We have not entered into any material contracts other than in the ordinary course of business and other than those described in Item 4. Information on the Company, Item 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions B. Related Party Transactions, or elsewhere in this annual report on Form 20-F.

D. <u>Exchange Controls</u>

See Item 4. Information on the Company B. Business Overview Regulation Foreign Exchange Registration of Offshore Investments by PRC Residents.

E. Taxation

Cayman Islands Taxation

The Cayman Islands currently levies no taxes on individuals or corporations based upon profits, income, gains or appreciation and there is no taxation in the nature of inheritance tax or estate duty. There are no other taxes likely to be material to us levied by the government of the Cayman Islands except for stamp duties which may be applicable on instruments executed in, or brought within the jurisdiction of the Cayman Islands, or produced before a court of the Cayman Islands. The Cayman Islands is not party to any double tax treaties that are applicable to any payments made to or by our company. There are no exchange control regulations or currency restrictions in the Cayman Islands.

People s Republic of China Taxation

Under the EIT Law, and its implementation rules, an enterprise established outside of the PRC with de facto management body within the PRC is considered a resident enterprise. The implementation rules of the EIT Law define the term de facto management body as the body that exercises full and substantial control and overall management over the business, productions, personnel, accounts and properties of an enterprise. In April 2009, the State Administration of Taxation issued a circular, known as SAT Circular 82, which provides certain specific criteria for determining whether the de facto management body of a PRC-controlled enterprise that is incorporated offshore is located in China. Although this circular only applies to offshore enterprises controlled by PRC enterprises or PRC enterprise groups, not those controlled by PRC individuals or foreigners, the criteria set forth in the circular may reflect the State Administration of Taxation s general position on how the de facto management body text should be applied in determining the tax resident status of all offshore enterprises including Leju Holdings Limited.

According to SAT Circular 82, an offshore incorporated enterprise controlled by a PRC enterprise or a PRC enterprise group will be regarded as a PRC tax resident by virtue of having its defacto management body in China only if all of the following conditions are met: (i) the primary location of the day-to-day operational management is in the PRC; (ii) decisions relating to the enterprise s financial and human resource matters are made or are subject to approval by organizations or personnel in the PRC; (iii) the enterprise s primary assets, accounting books and records, company seals, board and shareholder resolutions are located or maintained in the PRC; and (iv) at least 50% of voting board members or senior executives habitually reside in the PRC.

Although Leju Holdings Limited does not meet condition (iii) above as its primary assets in the form of shareholding in offshore entities, and its accounting books and records, company seals, and board and shareholder resolutions are located and maintained outside the PRC, there are uncertainties as to the interpretation of relevant PRC regulations including SAT Circular 82 and condition (iii) above as well as the applicability of SAT Circular 82 to Leju Holdings Limited, and the tax resident status of an enterprise is subject to determination by the PRC tax authorities and uncertainties remain with respect to the interpretation of the term de facto management body.

If the PRC tax authorities determine that Leju Holdings Limited is a PRC resident enterprise for enterprise income tax purposes, we may be required to withhold a 10% withholding tax from dividends we pay to our shareholders that are non-resident enterprises, including the holders of our ADSs. In addition, non-resident enterprise shareholders (including our ADS holders) may be subject to a 10% PRC tax on gains realized on the sale or other disposition of ADSs or ordinary shares, if such income is treated as sourced from within the PRC. It is unclear whether our non-PRC individual shareholders (including our ADS holders) would be subject to any PRC tax on dividends or gains obtained by such non-PRC individual shareholders in the event we are determined to be a PRC resident enterprise. If any PRC tax were to apply to such dividends or gains, it would generally apply at a rate of 20% unless a reduced rate is available under an applicable tax treaty. However, it is also unclear whether non-PRC shareholders of Leju Holdings Limited would be able to claim the benefits of any tax treaties between their country of tax residence and the PRC in the event that Leju Holdings Limited is treated as a PRC resident enterprise.

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The State Administration of Taxation issued an SAT Circular 59 together with the Ministry of Finance in April 2009 and a SAT Circular 698 in December 2009. By promulgating and implementing these two circulars, the PRC tax authorities have enhanced their scrutiny over the direct or indirect transfer of equity interests in a PRC resident enterprise by a non-PRC resident enterprise. SAT Bulletin 7 was recently promulgated in February 2015 and replaced previous rules under SAT Circular 698. Under SAT Bulletin 7, an indirect transfer of assets of a PRC resident enterprise, including equity interests in a PRC resident enterprise, by non-PRC resident enterprises may be re-characterized and treated as a direct transfer of PRC taxable properties, if such transaction arrangement lacks a reasonable commercial purpose and was established for the purpose of avoiding payment of PRC enterprise income tax. As a result, gains derived from such indirect transfer may be subject to PRC enterprise income tax. According to SAT Bulletin 7, PRC taxable assets include assets attributed to an establishment in China, immovable properties located in China, and equity interests in PRC resident enterprises. In respect of an indirect transfer of assets of a PRC establishment, the resulting gain is to be included with the enterprise income tax filing of the PRC establishment being transferred, and would consequently be subject to PRC enterprise income tax at a rate of 25%. If the underlying transfer relates to the immovable properties located in China or to equity interests in a PRC resident enterprise, which is not related to a PRC establishment or place of business of a non-resident enterprise, a PRC enterprise income tax at 10% would apply, subject to preferential tax treatment under applicable tax treaties or similar arrangements, and the party who is obligated to make payments for the transfer has a withholding obligation. Although it appears that SAT Bulletin 7 does not apply to share transfers of publicly traded companies, there is uncertainty as to the application of SAT Bulletin 7 and we and our non-PRC resident investors may be at risk of being subject to tax filing or withholding obligations under SAT Bulletin 7 and we may be required to expend valuable resources to comply with SAT Bulletin 7 or to establish that we should not be taxed under SAT Bulletin 7.

U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following discussion is a summary of U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the ownership and disposition of our ADSs or ordinary shares by a U.S. holder (as defined below) that holds our ADSs or ordinary shares as capital assets (generally, property held for investment) under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code. This discussion is based upon existing U.S. federal income tax law, which is subject to differing interpretations or change, possibly with retroactive effect. No ruling has been sought from the Internal Revenue Service, or the IRS, with respect to any U.S. federal income tax consequences described below, and there can be no assurance that the IRS or a court will not take a contrary position. This discussion does not discuss all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be important to particular investors in light of their individual circumstances, including investors subject to special tax rules that differ significantly from those summarized below (for example, certain financial institutions, insurance companies, broker-dealers, traders in securities that have elected the mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities, partnerships and their partners, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, and tax-exempt organizations (including private foundations), holders who are not U.S. holders, holders who own (directly, indirectly, or constructively) 10% or more of our voting stock, holders who acquire their ADSs or ordinary shares pursuant to any employee share option or otherwise as compensation, investors that will hold their ADSs or ordinary shares as part of a straddle, hedge, conversion, constructive sale, or other integrated transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, or investors that have a functional currency other than the U.S. dollar). In addition, this discussion does not address U.S. federal estate, gift, Medicare, and alternative minimum tax considerations, or any non-U.S., state, and local tax considerations. Each U.S. holder is urged to consult its tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal, state, local, and non-U.S. tax considerations of an investment in our ADSs or ordinary shares.

General

For purposes of this discussion, a U.S. holder is a beneficial owner of our ADSs or ordinary shares that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation (or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created in, or organized under the laws of, the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia; (iii) an estate the income of which is includible in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or (iv) a trust (A) the administration of which is subject to the primary supervision of a U.S. court and which has one or more U.S. persons who have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; or (B) that has otherwise elected to be treated as a U.S. person.

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If a partnership (or other entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of our ADSs or ordinary shares, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partnerships holding our ADSs or ordinary shares and partners in such partnerships are urged to consult their tax advisors as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in our ADSs or ordinary shares.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, it is generally expected that a U.S. holder of ADSs will generally be treated as the beneficial owner of the underlying shares represented by the ADSs. The remainder of this discussion assumes that a U.S. holder of our ADSs will be treated in this manner. Accordingly, deposits or withdrawals of ordinary shares for ADSs will generally not be subject to U.S. federal income tax.

Passive Foreign Investment Company Considerations

A non-U.S. corporation, such as our company, will be classified as a passive foreign investment company, or PFIC, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, if, in the case of any particular taxable year, either (i) 75% or more of its gross income for such year consists of certain types of passive income or (ii) 50% or more of the value of its assets (as determined on the basis of a quarterly average) during such year produce or are held for the production of passive income (the asset test). For this purpose, cash and assets readily convertible into cash are categorized as a passive asset and the company s goodwill and other unbooked intangibles associated with active business activities may generally be classified as active assets. Passive income generally includes, among other things, dividends, interest, rents, royalties, and gains from the disposition of passive assets. We will be treated as owning our proportionate share of the assets and earning our proportionate share of the income of any other corporation in which we own, directly or indirectly, more than 25% (by value) of the stock.

Although the law in this regard is not entirely clear, we treat our consolidated variable interest entities as being owned by us for U.S. federal income tax purposes, not only because we exercise effective control over the operation of such entities but also because we are entitled to substantially all of their economic benefits, and, as a result, we consolidate their operating results in our consolidated financial statements. If it were determined that we are not the owner of our consolidated variable interest entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, our risk of being classified as a PFIC may substantially increase. Assuming that we are the owner of our consolidated variable interest entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and based upon our current income and assets and projections as to the value of our ADSs and ordinary shares, we do not presently expect to be classified as a PFIC for the current taxable year or the foreseeable future.

While we believe we were not a PFIC for the taxable year ended December 31, 2015, and do not expect to be a PFIC for the current taxable year and the foreseeable future, no assurance can be given in this regard because the determination of whether we will be or become a PFIC is a factual determination made annually that will depend, in part, upon the composition of our income and assets. Fluctuations in the market price of our ADSs may cause us to be classified as a PFIC for the current or future taxable years because the value of our assets for purposes of the asset test, including the value of our goodwill and other unbooked intangibles, may be determined by reference to the market price of our ADSs from time to time (which may be volatile). In estimating the value of our goodwill and other unbooked intangibles, we have taken into account our market capitalization. Among other matters, if market capitalization is less than anticipated or subsequently declines, we may be classified as a PFIC for the current or future taxable years.

Furthermore, the composition of our income and assets may also be affected by how, and how quickly, we use our liquid assets. Under circumstances where our revenue from activities that produce passive income significantly increase relative to our revenue from activities that produce non-passive income, or where we determine not to deploy significant amounts of cash for active purposes, our risk of being classified as a PFIC may substantially increase. In addition, because there are uncertainties in the application of the relevant rules, it is possible that the IRS may challenge our classification of certain income and assets as non-passive or our valuation of our tangible and intangible assets, each of which

may result in our becoming a PFIC for the current or subsequent table years. If we were classified as a PFIC for any year during which a U.S. holder held our ADSs or ordinary shares, we generally would continue to be treated as a PFIC for all succeeding years during which such U.S. holder held our ADSs or ordinary shares.

The discussion below under Dividends and Sale or Other Disposition of ADSs or Ordinary Shares is written on the basis that we will not be classified as a PFIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The U.S. federal income tax rules that apply if we are classified as a PFIC for any taxable year are generally discussed below under Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules.

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Dividends

Subject to the PFIC rules discussed below, any cash distributions (including the amount of any tax withheld) paid on our ADSs or ordinary shares out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles, will generally be includible in the gross income of a U.S. holder as dividend income on the day actually or constructively received by the U.S. holder, in the case of ordinary shares, or by the depositary, in the case of ADSs. Because we do not intend to determine our earnings and profits on the basis of U.S. federal income tax principles, any distribution paid will generally be reported as a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes. A non-corporate recipient of dividend income will generally be subject to tax on dividend income from a qualified foreign corporation at a reduced U.S. federal tax rate rather than the marginal tax rates generally applicable to ordinary income provided that certain holding period and other requirements are met.

A non-U.S. corporation (other than a corporation that is classified as a PFIC for the taxable year in which the dividend is paid or the preceding taxable year) will generally be considered to be a qualified foreign corporation (i) if it is eligible for the benefits of a comprehensive tax treaty with the United States which the Secretary of Treasury of the United States determines is satisfactory for purposes of this provision and which includes an exchange of information program; or (ii) with respect to any dividend it pays on stock (or ADSs in respect of such stock) which is readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States, Our ADSs are listed on the NYSE, which is an established securities market in the United States, and will be considered readily tradable on the NYSE for as long as the ADSs continue to be listed on such exchange. Thus, we believe that dividends we pay on our ADSs will meet the conditions required for the reduced tax rate, but there can be no assurance that our ADSs will continue to be considered readily tradable on an established securities market in later years. Since we do not expect that our ordinary shares will be listed on established securities markets, it is unclear whether dividends that we pay on our ordinary shares that are not backed by ADSs currently meet the conditions required for the reduced tax rate.

However, in the event that we are deemed to be a PRC resident enterprise under the EIT Law (see People's Republic of China Taxation), we may be eligible for the benefits of the U.S.-PRC income tax treaty (which the Secretary of Treasury of the United States has determined is satisfactory for this purpose) and be treated as a qualified foreign corporation with respect to dividends paid to our ADSs or ordinary shares. Dividends received on the ADSs or ordinary shares will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction allowed to corporations. Each U.S. holder is advised to consult its tax advisors regarding the availability of the reduced tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income for any dividends we pay with respect to our ADSs or ordinary shares.

Dividends will generally be treated as income from foreign sources for U.S. foreign tax credit purposes and will generally constitute passive category income. In the event that we are deemed to be a PRC resident enterprise under the EIT Law, a U.S. holder may be subject to PRC withholding taxes on dividends paid on our ADSs or ordinary shares. A U.S. holder may be eligible, subject to a number of complex limitations, to claim a foreign tax credit in respect of any foreign withholding taxes imposed on dividends received on ADSs or ordinary shares. A U.S. holder who does not elect to claim a foreign tax credit for foreign tax withheld may instead claim a deduction, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in respect of such withholdings, but only for a year in which such U.S. holder elects to do so for all creditable foreign income taxes. The rules governing the foreign tax credit are complex. Each U.S. holder is advised to consult its tax advisors regarding the availability of the foreign tax credit under their particular circumstances.

Sale or Other Disposition of ADSs or Ordinary Shares

Subject to the PFIC rules discussed below, a U.S. holder will generally recognize capital gain or loss upon the sale or other disposition of ADSs or ordinary shares in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized upon the disposition and the U.S. holder s adjusted tax basis

in such ADSs or ordinary shares. Any capital gain or loss will be long-term gain or loss if the ADSs or ordinary shares have been held for more than one year and will generally be U.S.-source gain or loss for U.S. foreign tax credit purposes. The deductibility of a capital loss may be subject to limitations. In the event that we are treated as a PRC resident enterprise under the EIT Law and gain from the disposition of the ADSs or ordinary shares is subject to tax in the PRC, such gain may be treated as PRC-source gain for foreign tax credit purposes under the U.S.-PRC income tax treaty. U.S. holders are advised to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences if a foreign tax is imposed on a disposition of our ADSs or ordinary shares, including the availability of the foreign tax credit under their particular circumstances.

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Passive Foreign Investment Company Rules

If we are classified as a PFIC for any taxable year during which a U.S. holder holds our ADSs or ordinary shares, and unless the U.S. holder makes a mark-to-market election (as described below) with respect to the ADSs, the U.S. holder will generally be subject to special tax rules that have a penalizing effect, regardless of whether we remain a PFIC, on (i) any excess distribution that we make to the U.S. holder (which generally means any distribution paid during a taxable year to a U.S. holder that is greater than 125% of the average annual distributions paid in the three preceding taxable years or, if shorter, the U.S. holder s holding period for the ADSs or ordinary shares); and (ii) any gain realized on the sale or other disposition, including, under certain circumstances, a pledge, of ADSs or ordinary shares. Under the PFIC rules:

- the excess distribution and/or gain will be allocated ratably over the U.S. holder s holding period for the ADSs or ordinary shares;
- the amount allocated to the current taxable year and any taxable years in the U.S. holder s holding period prior to the first taxable year in which we are classified as a PFIC (each, a pre-PFIC year) will be taxable as ordinary income;
- the amount allocated to each prior taxable year, other than a pre-PFIC year, will be subject to tax at the highest tax rate in effect applicable to the U.S. holder for that year; and
- an additional tax equal to the interest charge generally applicable to underpayments of tax will be imposed on the tax attributable to each prior taxable year, other than a pre-PFIC year.

If we are a PFIC for any taxable year during which a U.S. holder holds our ADSs or ordinary shares and any of our non-U.S. subsidiaries is also a PFIC, such U.S. holder would be treated as owning a proportionate amount (by value) of the shares of the lower-tier PFIC for purposes of the application of these rules. Each U.S. holder is advised to consult its tax advisors regarding the application of the PFIC rules to any of our subsidiaries.

As an alternative to the foregoing rules, a U.S. holder of marketable stock in a PFIC may make a mark-to-market election with respect to our ADSs, provided that the ADSs are regularly traded on the NYSE. We anticipate that the ADSs should qualify as being regularly traded on the NYSE, but no assurances may be given in this regard. If a mark-to-market election is made, the U.S. holder will generally (i) include as ordinary income for each taxable year that we are a PFIC the excess, if any, of the fair market value of ADSs held at the end of the taxable year over the adjusted tax basis of such ADSs; and (ii) deduct as an ordinary loss the excess, if any, of the adjusted tax basis of the ADSs over the fair market value of such ADSs held at the end of the taxable year, but only to the extent of the net amount previously included in income as a result of the mark-to-market election. The U.S. holder s adjusted tax basis in the ADSs would be adjusted to reflect any income or loss resulting from the mark-to-market election. If a U.S. holder makes an effective mark-to-market election, in each year that we are a PFIC, any gain recognized upon the sale or other disposition of the ADSs will be treated as ordinary income and loss will be treated as ordinary loss, but only to the extent of the net amount previously included in income as a result of the mark-to-market election.

If a U.S. holder makes a mark-to-market election in respect of a corporation classified as a PFIC and such corporation ceases to be classified as a PFIC, the U.S. holder will not be required to take into account the mark-to-market gain or loss described above during any period that such corporation is not classified as a PFIC.

Because a mark-to-market election cannot be made for any lower-tier PFICs that we may own, a U.S. holder who makes a mark-to-market election with respect to our ADSs may continue to be subject to the general PFIC rules with respect to such U.S. holder s indirect interest in any of our non-U.S. subsidiaries that is classified as a PFIC.

We do not intend to provide information necessary for U.S. holders to make qualified electing fund elections, which, if available, would result in tax treatment different from the general tax treatment for PFICs described above.

As discussed above under Dividends, dividends that we pay on our ADSs or ordinary shares will not be eligible for the reduced tax rate that applies to qualified dividend income if we are classified as a PFIC for the taxable year in which the dividend is paid or the preceding taxable year. In addition, if a U.S. holder owns our ADSs or ordinary shares during any taxable year that we are a PFIC, such holder is generally required to file U.S. IRS Form 8621 and other information as the U.S. Treasury Department may require. Each U.S. holder is advised to consult its tax advisors regarding the potential tax consequences to such holder if we are or become classified as a PFIC, including the possibility of making a mark-to-market election.

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issued by a non-U.S. codollar amount prescribe	e required to report information to the IRS relating to an interest in specified foreign financial assets, including shares or poration, for any year in which the aggregate value of all specified foreign financial assets exceeds \$50,000 (or a higher ed by the IRS), subject to certain exceptions (including an exception for shares held in custodial accounts maintained with ion). These rules also impose penalties if a U.S. holder is required to submit such information to the IRS and fails to
disposition of our ADS	rs may be subject to information reporting to the IRS with respect to dividends on and proceeds from the sale or other s or ordinary shares. U.S. holders are advised to consult with their tax advisors regarding the application of the U.S. ules to their particular circumstances.
F.	Dividends and Paying Agents
Not applicable.	
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contained therein, to re-	th the SEC our registration statement on Form F-1 (Registration No. 333-194505), as amended, including the prospectus gister the issuance and sale of our ordinary shares represented by ADSs in relation to our initial public offering. We have our registration statement on Form F-6 (Registration No. 333-195067) to register our ADSs.
Exchange Act. Under the annually a Form 20-F in be obtained over the interest of the second s	eriodic reporting and other informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the he Exchange Act, we are required to file reports and other information with the SEC. Specifically, we are required to file to later than four months after the close of each fiscal year, which is December 31. All information filed with the SEC car ternet at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov or inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You can request copies of documents, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the

We will furnish JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., the depositary of our ADSs, with our annual reports, which will include a review of operations and annual audited consolidated financial statements prepared in conformity with U.S. GAAP, and all notices of shareholders meetings and other reports and communications that are made generally available to our shareholders. The depositary will make such notices, reports and communications available to holders of ADSs and, upon our request, will mail to all record holders of ADSs the information contained in any notice of a shareholders meeting received by the depositary from us.

As a foreign private issuer, we are exempt from the rules under the Exchange Act prescribing the furnishing and content of quarterly reports and proxy statements, and officers, directors and principal shareholders are exempt from the reporting and short-swing profit recovery provisions contained in Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

Our website is www.leju.com. We make our annual reports on Form 20-F and any amendments to such reports available free of charge on our website as soon as reasonably practicable following the electronic filing of each report with the SEC. In addition, we provide electronic or paper copies of our annual reports free of charge to our shareholders and ADS holders upon request. The information contained on our website is not part of this or any other report filed with or furnished to the SEC.

I. <u>Subsidiary Information</u>

ITEM 11. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Interest Rate Risk

Our exposure to interest rate risk primarily relates to the interest income generated by bank deposits with original maturities of three months or less. We have not used any derivative financial instruments to manage our interest risk exposure. Interest-earning instruments carry a degree of interest rate risk. We have not been exposed to material risks due to changes in interest rates. However, our future interest income may be lower than expected due to changes in market interest rates.

Foreign Exchange Risk

Substantially all of our revenues and most of our expenses are denominated in Renminbi. We do not believe that we currently have any significant direct foreign exchange risk and we have not used any forward contracts, currency borrowings or derivative instruments to hedge exposure to such risk. Although in general our exposure to foreign exchange risks should be limited, the value of your investment in our ADSs will be affected by the foreign exchange rate between U.S. dollars and Renminbi because substantially all of our revenues and expenses are denominated in Renminbi and the functional currency of our principal operating subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities is the Renminbi, while we use the U.S. dollar as our functional and reporting currency and our ADSs are traded in U.S. dollars.

The value of the RMB against the U.S. dollar and other currencies is affected by changes in China s political and economic conditions and by China s foreign exchange policies, among other things. In July 2005, the PRC government changed its decades-old policy of pegging the value of the RMB to the U.S. dollar, and the RMB appreciated more than 20% against the U.S. dollar over the following three years. Between July 2008 and June 2010, this appreciation halted and the exchange rate between the RMB and the U.S. dollar remained within a narrow band. Since June 2010, the RMB has fluctuated against the U.S. dollar, at times significantly and unpredictably. It is difficult to predict how market forces or PRC or U.S. government policy may impact the exchange rate between the RMB and the U.S. dollar in the future.

To the extent that we need to convert U.S. dollars into RMB for our operations, acquisitions or other uses within the PRC, appreciation of the RMB against the U.S. dollar would have an adverse effect on the RMB amount we receive from the conversion. To the extent that we seek to convert RMB into U.S. dollars, depreciation of the RMB against the U.S. dollar would have an adverse effect on the U.S. dollar amount we receive from the conversion. As of December 31, 2015, we had RMB or HKD denominated cash balances of \$174.9 million and U.S. dollar-denominated cash balances of \$85.4 million. Assuming we had converted the U.S. dollar-denominated cash balance of \$85.4 million as of December 31, 2015 into RMB at the exchange rate of \$1.00 for RMB6.4778 as of December 31, 2015, this cash balance would have been RMB553.1 million. Assuming a further 1% appreciation of the RMB against the U.S. dollar, this cash balance would have decreased to RMB547.7 million as of December 31, 2015. Assuming a 1% depreciation of the RMB against the U.S. dollar, this cash balance would have increased to RMB558.7 million as of December 31, 2015.

ITEM 12. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY SECURITIES

A.	Debt Securities
Not applicable.	
В.	Warrants and Rights
Not applicable.	
C.	Other Securities
Not applicable.	
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D. <u>American Depositary Shares</u>

Fees and Charges Our ADS Holders May Have to Pay

The depositary may charge each person to whom ADSs are issued, including, without limitation, issuances against deposits of shares, issuances in respect of share distributions, rights and other distributions, issuances pursuant to a stock dividend or stock split declared by us or issuances pursuant to a merger, exchange of securities or any other transaction or event affecting the ADSs or deposited securities, and each person surrendering ADSs for withdrawal of deposited securities or whose ADRs are cancelled or reduced for any other reason, \$5.00 for each 100 ADSs (or any portion thereof) issued, delivered, reduced, cancelled or surrendered, as the case may be. The depositary may sell (by public or private sale) sufficient securities and property received in respect of a share distribution, rights and/or other distribution prior to such deposit to pay such charge.

The following additional charges shall be incurred by the ADR holders, by any party depositing or withdrawing shares or by any party surrendering ADSs or to whom ADSs are issued (including, without limitation, issuance pursuant to a stock dividend or stock split declared by us or an exchange of stock regarding the ADSs or the deposited securities or a distribution of ADSs), whichever is applicable:

- a fee of \$1.50 per ADR or ADRs for transfers of certificated or direct registration ADRs;
- a fee of up to \$0.05 per ADS for any cash distribution made pursuant to the deposit agreement;
- a fee of up to \$0.05 per ADS per calendar year (or portion thereof) for services performed by the depositary in administering the ADRs (which fee may be charged on a periodic basis during each calendar year and shall be assessed against holders of ADRs as of the record date or record dates set by the depositary during each calendar year and shall be payable in the manner described in the next succeeding provision);
- a fee for the reimbursement of such fees, charges and expenses as are incurred by the depositary and/or any of its agents (including, without limitation, the custodian and expenses incurred on behalf of holders in connection with compliance with foreign exchange control regulations or any law or regulation relating to foreign investment) in connection with the servicing of the shares or other deposited securities, the sale of securities (including, without limitation, deposited securities), the delivery of deposited securities or otherwise in connection with the depositary s or its custodian s compliance with applicable law, rule or regulation (which fees and charges shall be assessed on a proportionate basis against holders as of the record date or dates set by the depositary and shall be payable at the sole discretion of the depositary by billing such holders or by deducting such charge from one or more cash dividends or

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other cash distributions).

- a fee for the distribution of securities (or the sale of securities in connection with a distribution), such fee being in an amount equal to the \$0.05 per ADS issuance fee for the execution and delivery of ADSs which would have been charged as a result of the deposit of such securities (treating all such securities as if they were shares) but which securities or the net cash proceeds from the sale thereof are instead distributed by the depositary to those holders entitled thereto;
- stock transfer or other taxes and other governmental charges;
- cable, telex and facsimile transmission and delivery charges incurred at your request in connection with the deposit or delivery of shares;
- transfer or registration fees for the registration of transfer of deposited securities on any applicable register in connection with the deposit or withdrawal of deposited securities;
- in connection with the conversion of foreign currency into U.S. dollars, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. shall deduct out of such foreign currency the fees, expenses and other charges charged by it and/or its agent (which may be a division, branch or affiliate) so appointed in connection with such conversion; and
- fees of any division, branch or affiliate of the depositary utilized by the depositary to direct, manage and/or execute any public and/or private sale of securities under the deposit agreement.

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and/or its agent may act as principal for such conversion of foreign currency.

We will pay all other charges and expenses of the depositary and any agent of the depositary (except the custodian) pursuant to agreements from time to time between us and the depositary. The charges described above may be amended from time to time by agreement between us and the depositary.

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Fees and Other Payments Made by the Depositary to Us

Our depositary has agreed to reimburse us for certain expenses we incur that are related to establishment and maintenance of the ADR program upon such terms and conditions as we and the depositary may agree from time to time. The depositary may make available to us a set amount or a portion of the depositary fees charged in respect of the ADR program or otherwise upon such terms and conditions as we and the depositary may agree from time to time. The depositary collects its fees for issuance and cancellation of ADSs directly from investors depositing shares or surrendering ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal or from intermediaries acting for them. The depositary collects fees for making distributions to investors by deducting those fees from the amounts distributed or by selling a portion of distributable property to pay the fees. The depositary may collect its annual fee for depositary services by deduction from cash distributions, or by directly billing investors, or by charging the book-entry system accounts of participants acting for them. The depositary will generally set off the amounts owing from distributions made to holders of ADSs. If, however, no distribution exists and payment owing is not timely received by the depositary, the depositary may refuse to provide any further services to holders that have not paid those fees and expenses owing until such fees and expenses have been paid. At the discretion of the depositary, all fees and charges owing under the deposit agreement are due in advance and/or when declared owing by the depositary.

For the year ended December 31, 2015, we received \$133,398 of reimbursement from the depositary for our expenses incurred in connection with the establishment and maintenance of the ADS program.

PART II

ITEM 13. DEFAULTS, DIVIDEND ARREARAGES AND DELINQUENCIES

None.

ITEM 14. MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS AND USE OF PROCEEDS

See Item 10. Additional Information B. Memorandum and Articles of Association Ordinary Shares for a description of the rights of securities holders, which remain unchanged.

The following Use of Proceeds information relates to the registration statement on Form F-1, as amended (File No. 333-194505) in relation to our initial public offering, which was declared effective by the SEC on April 16, 2014. In April 2014, we completed our initial public offering in which we issued and sold an aggregate of 11,500,000 ADSs, representing 11,500,000 ordinary shares, resulting in net proceeds to us of approximately \$101.4 million after deducting underwriting discounts and the estimated offering expenses payable by us. Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC was the representative of the underwriters for our initial public offering.

For the period from April 16, 2014, the date that the F-1 Registration Statement was declared effective by the SEC, to December 31, 2015, we used the net proceeds from our initial public offering as follows:

- approximately \$45.1 million for geographic expansion, including adding new business lines in existing cities and converting outsourced operations to direct operations in approximately 30 smaller cities in various provinces in China;
- approximately \$4.5 million for general corporate purposes, including funding acquisitions of complementary businesses and strategic investments; and
- approximately \$26.9 million for dividend payments to our shareholders.

We still intend to use the remainder of the proceeds from our initial public offering, as disclosed in our registration statements on Form F-1, (i) to enhance our technology infrastructure and develop new products and services for our online platform, (ii) for geographic expansion, including adding new business lines in existing cities and converting outsourced operations to direct operations in additional cities in various provinces in China, and (iii) for general corporate purposes, including funding potential acquisitions of complementary businesses and strategic investments.

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ITEM 15. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this annual report, our management, with the participation of our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, has performed an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures within the meaning of Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Exchange Act. Based upon this evaluation, our management has concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this annual report, our existing disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file and furnish under the Exchange Act was recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC s rules and forms, and that the information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended). Our internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation and fair presentation of its published consolidated financial statements. All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective may not prevent or detect misstatements and can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

As required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and related rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, our management conducted an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015. In making this assessment, it used the criteria established within the *Internal Control Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Based on this assessment, our management has concluded that, as of December 31, 2015, our internal control over financial reporting was effective.

Our independent registered public accounting firm, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP, has audited the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, as stated in its report, which appears on page F-3 of this annual report on Form 20-F.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably like	ly to
materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.	

ITEM 16.

ITEM 16A. AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT

Our board of directors has determined that Zhe Wei, Min Fan and Winston Li, members of our audit committee, are audit committee financial experts. Each of Zhe Wei, Min Fan and Winston Li is an independent director (under the standards set forth in Section 303A of the Corporate Governance Rules of the NYSE and Section 10A-3 of the Exchange Act).

ITEM 16B. CODE OF ETHICS

Our board of directors has adopted a code of business conduct and ethics that applies to our directors, officers and employees. We have filed our code of business conduct and ethics as an exhibit to our registration statement on Form F-1 (No. 333-194505) and the code is also available on our official website under the investor relations section at *ir.leju.com*.

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ITEM 16C. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The following table sets forth the aggregate fees by categories specified below in connection with certain professional services rendered by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP, our principal external auditors, for the periods indicated. We did not pay any other fees to our auditors during the periods indicated below.

	For the Years Ended	For the Years Ended December 31,	
	2014	2015	
Audit fees(1)	1,610,642	805,992	
Tax fees(2)	72,038	23,807	

Notes:

- (1) Audit fees means the aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by our principal auditors for the audit of our annual financial statements and the review of our comparative interim financial statements.
- (2) Tax fees means aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered by our principal auditors, primarily in connection with our transfer price study activities.

The policy of our audit committee is to pre-approve all audit and non-audit services provided by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP, including audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services as described above, other than those for *de minimis* services which are approved by the audit committee prior to the completion of the audit.

ITEM 16D. EXEMPTIONS FROM THE LISTING STANDARDS FOR AUDIT COMMITTEES

None.

ITEM 16E. PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY THE ISSUER AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS

None.

ITEM 16F. CHANGE IN REGISTRANT S CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT

Not applicable.
ITEM 16G. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE
Because E-House owns more than 50% of the total voting power of our ordinary shares, we are a controlled company under Section 303A of the Corporate Governance Rules of the NYSE. A controlled company need not comply with the applicable NYSE corporate governance rules requiring its board of directors to have a majority of independent directors and independent compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees. We avail ourselves of these controlled company exemptions. As a result, we do not have a majority of our board of directors comprised of independent directors, nor do we have a separate nominating and corporate governance committee. In addition, our compensation committee does not consist entirely of independent directors and we will not be required to have an annual performance evaluation of the compensation committee.
The Corporate Governance Rules of the NYSE permit a foreign private issuer like us to follow the corporate governance practices of its home country. Certain corporate governance practices in the Cayman Islands, which is our home country, may differ significantly from the NYSE corporate governance listing standards. Currently, we do not rely on home country exemption for corporate governance matters. However, if we choose to follow home country practice in the future, our shareholders may be afforded less protection than they otherwise would under the Corporate Governance Rules of the NYSE applicable to U.S. domestic issuers.
ITEM 16H. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURE
Not applicable.
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PART III

ITEM 17. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have elected to provide financial statements pursuant to Item 18.

ITEM 18. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The consolidated financial statements of Leju Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries are included at the end of this annual report.

ITEM 19. EXHIBITS

Exhibit	
Number	Description of Document
1.1	Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the
	registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange
	Commission on March 12, 2014)
2.1	Registrant s Specimen American Depositary Receipt (included in Exhibit 2.3)
2.2	Registrant s Specimen Certificate for Ordinary Shares (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the registration
	statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on
	March 12, 2014)
2.3	Deposit Agreement, among the Registrant, the depositary and holder of the American Depositary Receipts (incorporated
	herein by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-197609), as amended, initially filed
	with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 27, 2014)
4.1	2013 Share Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File
	No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.2	Form of Indemnification Agreement between the Registrant and its directors and executive officers (incorporated herein by
	reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the
	Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.3	Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and its executive officers (incorporated herein by reference to
	Exhibit 10.3 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities
	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.4	English translation of Exclusive Call Option Agreement dated September 10, 2011 between Shanghai SINA Leju Information
	Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd., Xudong Zhu and Zuyu Ding (incorporated herein
	by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with
	the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.5	English translation of Loan Agreement dated September 10, 2011 between Shanghai SINA Leju Information
	Technology Co., Ltd., Xudong Zhu and Zuyu Ding (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the registration
	statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on
	March 12, 2014)

4.6

English translation of Shareholder Voting Rights Proxy Agreement dated September 10, 2011 between Shanghai SINA Leju Information Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd., Xudong Zhu and Zuyu Ding (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)

- 4.7 English translation of Power of Attorney dated September 10, 2011 issued by Xudong Zhu to Xin Zhou (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
- 4.8 English translation of Power of Attorney dated September 10, 2011 issued by Zuyu Ding to Xin Zhou (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)

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Exhibit	
Number 4.9	Description of Document English translation of Equity Pledge Agreement dated September 10, 2011 between Shanghai SINA Leju Information
	Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd., Xudong Zhu and Zuyu Ding (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with
4.10	the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.10	English translation of Exclusive Technical Support Agreement dated May 8, 2008 between Shanghai SINA Leju Information Technology Co., Ltd. and Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities
	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.11	English translation of Exclusive Call Option Agreement, dated December 5, 2011, between Shanghai Yi Yue Information Technology Co. Ltd., Shanghai Yi Xin E-Commerce Co., Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.12	English translation of Loan Agreement, dated September 20, 2011, between Shanghai Yi Yue Information
	Technology Co. Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to the registration
	statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.13	English translation of Shareholder Voting Right Proxy Agreement, dated December 5, 2011, between Shanghai Yi Yue Information Technology Co. Ltd., Shanghai Yi Xin E-Commerce Co., Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.14	English translation of Power of Attorney dated December 5, 2011 issued by Zuyu Ding to Xin Zhou (incorporated herein by
	reference to Exhibit 10.14 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.15	English translation of Power of Attorney dated December 5, 2011 issued by Weijie Ma to Xin Zhou (incorporated herein by
	reference to Exhibit 10.15 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.16	English translation of Equity Pledge Agreement, dated December 5, 2011, between Shanghai Yi Yue Information
	Technology Co. Ltd., Shanghai Yi Xin E-Commerce Co., Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.16 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the
4.17	Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014) English translation of Exclusive Technical Support Agreement, dated December 5, 2011, between Shanghai Yi Yue
4.17	Information Technology Co. Ltd. and Shanghai Yi Xin E-Commerce Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to
	Exhibit 10.17 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.18	English translation of Exclusive Call Option Agreement, dated April 1, 2012, between Beijing Maiteng Fengshun Science and
	Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing Jiajujiu E-Commerce Co., Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.18 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.19	English translation of Loan Agreement, dated February 1, 2012, between Beijing Maiteng Fengshun Science and
,	Technology Co., Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to the registration
	statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.20	English translation of Shareholder Voting Right Proxy Agreement, dated April 1, 2012, between Beijing Maiteng Fengshun
	Science and Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing Jiajujiu E-Commerce Co., Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.21	English translation of Power of Attorney dated April 1, 2012 issued by Zuyu Ding to Xin Zhou (incorporated herein by
,,_,	reference to Exhibit 10.21 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with
	the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.22	English translation of Power of Attorney dated April 1, 2012 issued by Weijie Ma to Xin Zhou (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.22 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with
	the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)

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Exhibit	
Number	Description of Document
4.23	English translation of Equity Pledge Agreement, dated April 1, 2012, between Beijing Maiteng Fengshun Science and
	Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing Jiajujiu E-Commerce Co., Ltd., Zuyu Ding and Weijie Ma (incorporated herein by reference to
	Exhibit 10.23 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities
4.24	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.24	English translation of Exclusive Technical Support Agreement, dated April 1, 2012, between Beijing Maiteng Fengshun
	Science and Technology Co., Ltd. and Beijing Jiajujiu E-Commerce Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities
	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.25	English translation of Advertising Inventory Sale Agency Agreement, dated March 7, 2014, between SINA Corporation and
4.23	Leju Holdings Limited. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.25 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File
	No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.26	Amended and Restated Domain Name and Content License Agreement, dated March 7, 2014, between Beijing SINA Internet
1.20	Information Service Co., Ltd. and Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to
	Exhibit 10.26 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities
	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.27	Amended and Restated Trademark License Agreement, dated March 7, 2014, between Beijing SINA Internet Information
	Service Co., Ltd. and Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.27
	to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange
	Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.28	Amended and Restated Software License and Support Services Agreement, dated March 7, 2014, between SINA.com
	Technology (China) Co. Ltd. and Shanghai SINA Leju Information Technology Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to
	Exhibit 10.28 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities
4.20	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.29	Master Transaction Agreement, dated March 2014, between the Registrant and E-House (China) Holdings Limited.
	(incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.29 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.30	Offshore Transitional Services Agreement, dated March 2014, between the Registrant and E-House (China) Holdings
4.50	Limited. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.30 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505),
	as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.31	Non-Competition Agreement, dated March 2014, between the Registrant and E-House (China) Holdings Limited.
	(incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.31 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as
	amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.32	English translation of Onshore Transitional Services Agreement, dated March 2014, between Shanghai Real Estate Sales
	(Group) Co., Ltd. and certain subsidiaries of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.32 to the
	registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange
	Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.33	English translation of Onshore Cooperation Agreement, dated March 2014, by and among Shanghai Real Estate Sales
	(Group) Co., Ltd., Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd., Shanghai Yi Xin E-Commerce Co., Ltd. and Beijing
	Jiajujiu E-Commerce Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.33 to the registration statement on Form F-1
4.0.4	(File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.34	English translation of Internet Channel Cooperation Agreement, dated April 29, 2010, between Beijing Baidu Netcom
	Science and Technology Co., Ltd., China Online Housing (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd. and Beijing Yisheng Leju Information
	Services Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.34 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File
1.25	No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.35	English translation of Further Strategic Cooperation Agreement, dated June 2011, between Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd. and Beijing Baidu Netcom Science and Technology Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to
	Exhibit 10.35 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities
	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
	and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2017)

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Exhibit	
Number	Description of Document
4.36	English translation of Supplement to Further Strategic Cooperation Agreement and the Cooperation Agreement between Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd. and Beijing Baidu Netcom Science and Technology Co., Ltd. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.36 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.37	Strategic Cooperation Agreement, dated March 10, 2014, between Shanghai Yi Yue Information Technology Co., Ltd. and Shenzhen Tencent Computer Systems Company Limited (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.37 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.38	Share Purchase and Subscription Agreement, dated March 21, 2014, between, E-House (China) Holdings Limited, THL O Limited, Shenzhen Tencent Computer Systems Company Limited, Shanghai Yi Yue Information Technology Co., Ltd. and the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.38 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.39	Amendment to Share Purchase and Subscription Agreement, dated March 21, 2014, between, E-House (China) Holdings Limited, THL O Limited and the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.39 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
4.40	English translation of 2015 Further Strategic Cooperation Framework Agreement, dated March 9, 2015, between Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Services Co., Ltd. and Beijing Baidu Netcom Science and Technology Co., Ltd. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.40 from our annual report on Form 20-F (File No. 001-36396), filed with the Commission on April 21, 2015)
8.1*	Principal Subsidiaries and Consolidated Variable Interest Entities of the Registrant
11.1	Code of Business Conduct and Ethics of the Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the registration statement on Form F-1 (File No. 333-194505), as amended, initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 12, 2014)
12.1*	CEO Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
12.2*	CFO Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
13.1**	CEO Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
13.2**	CFO Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
15.1*	Consent of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP
15.2*	Consent of Fangda Partners XBRL Instance Document
101.INS* 101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Scheme Document
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.CAL 101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

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SIGNATURES

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

LEJU HOLDINGS LIMITED

By: /s/ Yinyu He Name: Yinyu He

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: April 22, 2016

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM
To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Leju Holdings Limited
We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Leju Holdings Limited and subsidiaries (the Group) as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), changes in equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Group s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.
We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Group as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Group's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, based on the criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated April 22, 2016 expressed an unqualified opinion on the Group's internal control over financial reporting.
The accompanying consolidated financial statements were prepared to present the assets and liabilities and related results of operations and cash flows of Leju Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries, one operating segment of E-House (China) Holdings Limited. These consolidated financial statements may not necessarily be indicative of the conditions that would have existed or the results of operations and cash flows if Leju Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries had operated as a stand-alone group during the periods presented
/s/ Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP
Shanghai, China

April 22, 2016

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Leju Holdings Limited

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Leju Holdings Limited and subsidiaries (the Group) as of December 31, 2015, based on the criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. The Group s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management s Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Group s internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company s principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company s board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Group maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, based on the criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015 of the Group and our report dated April 22, 2016 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.
/s/ Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Certified Public Accountants LLP
Shanghai, China

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April 22, 2016

LEJU HOLDINGS LIMITED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In U.S. dollar except for share data)

	Decemb	er 31,
	2014 \$	2015 \$
ASSETS	Ψ	¥
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	317,811,056	260,295,909
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$15,471,020 and \$26,350,814 as of		
December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively	119,741,936	113,991,480
Deferred tax assets	29,857,574	31,073,758
Customer deposits		58,833,225
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	13,355,174	20,880,667
Amounts due from related parties	684	8,906
Total current assets	480,766,424	485,083,945
Property and equipment, net	7,158,780	6,800,614
Intangible assets, net	105,418,808	90,736,828
Investment in affiliates	272,850	668,938
Goodwill	40,563,075	39,807,243
Other non-current assets	4,085,597	3,740,797
TOTAL ASSETS	638,265,534	626,838,365
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable (including accounts payable of the consolidated VIEs without recourse to Leju		
of \$370,652 and \$327,140 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively)	370,652	327,140
Accrued payroll and welfare expenses (including accrued payroll and welfare expenses of the		
consolidated VIEs without recourse to Leju of \$40,946,532 and \$34,784,706 as of December 31,		
2014 and 2015, respectively)	48,007,240	45,691,874
Income tax payable (including income tax payable of the consolidated VIEs without recourse to		
Leju of \$26,702,856 and \$27,599,392 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively)	57,246,193	66,814,874
Other tax payable (including other tax payable of the consolidated VIEs without recourse to Leju		
of \$15,883,568 and \$17,268,065 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively)	27,804,416	31,930,296
Amounts due to related parties (including amounts due to related parties of the consolidated VIEs		
without recourse to Leju of \$30,147,834 and \$1,418,096 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015,	·	40.044.00=
respectively)	5,289,491	10,214,007
Advance from customers and deferred revenue (including advance from customers and deferred		
revenue of the consolidated VIEs without recourse to Leju of \$4,617,183 and \$5,366,944 as of	5.054.400	5 502 005
December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively)	5,054,408	5,703,085
Liability for accrued marketing and advertising expenses (including liability for accrued		
marketing and advertising expenses of the consolidated VIEs without recourse to Leju of	10.260.565	2.014.000
\$3,691,831 and \$733,473 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively)	19,269,565	3,914,990
Liability for unpaid consideration for acquiring non-controlling interest (including liability for		
unpaid consideration for acquiring non-controlling interest of the consolidated VIEs without	25 (45 (20	7 220 502
recourse to Leju of \$25,645,630 and \$7,338,593 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively)	25,645,630	7,338,593
Other current liabilities (including other current liabilities of the consolidated VIEs without	9 612 202	7 672 404
recourse to Leju of \$5,137,314 and \$6,340,375 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively)	8,613,203	7,672,494
Total current liabilities Deformed toy liabilities (including deformed toy liabilities, non current of the consolidated VIEs	197,300,798	179,607,353
Deferred tax liabilities (including deferred tax liabilities, non-current of the consolidated VIEs without recourse to Leju of \$469,579 and \$523,874 as of December 31, 2014 and 2015,		
respectively)	26,041,591	22,997,731
p	20,011,001	22,771,131

Total liabilities	223,342,389	202,605,084
Commitments and contingencies (Note 15)		
Equity:		
Ordinary shares (\$0.001 par value): 500,000,000 and 500,000,000 shares authorized, 134,015,621		
and 134,930,870 shares issued and outstanding, as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively	134,015	134,931
Additional paid-in capital	788,246,874	773,766,165
Accumulated deficit	(377,876,220)	(343,658,094)
Subscription receivable	(688,989)	(9,200)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	5,029,663	(5,521,547)
Total Leju equity	414,845,343	424,712,255
Non-controlling interest	77,802	(478,974)
Total equity	414,923,145	424,233,281
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	638,265,534	626,838,365

LEJU HOLDINGS LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In U.S. dollar except for share data)

		Year E	nded December 31,	
	2013		2014	2015
	\$		\$	\$
Revenues				
E-commerce	170,204,545		326,679,871	420,552,177
Online advertising	145,444,790		155,049,818	134,229,255
Listing	19,772,181		14,293,184	21,022,504
Total revenues	335,421,516		496,022,873	575,803,936
Cost of revenues	(63,990,693)		(51,129,730)	(60,313,726)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(226,142,936)		(366,341,900)	(475,445,516)
Other operating income	599,894		2,525,496	3,567,965
Income from operations	45,887,781		81,076,739	43,612,659
Interest income	1,082,287		1,316,203	1,167,005
Other income (loss), net	(1,185,121)		35,799	290,039
Investment income				271,501
Income before taxes and equity in affiliates	45,784,947		82,428,741	45,341,204
Income tax expense	(3,065,725)		(15,545,964)	(10,307,322)
Income before equity in affiliates	42,719,222		66,882,777	35,033,882
Loss from equity in affiliates	(69,194)		(223,389)	(227,977)
Net income	42,650,028		66,659,388	34,805,905
Less: Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	125,066		138,494	(524,184)
Net income attributable to Leju shareholders	42,524,962		66,520,894	35,330,089
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.35	\$	0.51	\$ 0.26
Diluted	\$ 0.35	\$	0.50	\$ 0.26
Shares used in computation:				
Basic	120,000,000		129,320,666	134,528,971
Diluted	120,000,000		132,502,100	136,223,974

LEJU HOLDINGS LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(In U.S. dollar)

	Ŋ	Year Ended December 31,	
	2013	2014	2015
	\$	\$	\$
Net income	42,650,028	66,659,388	34,805,905
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax of nil:			
Foreign currency translation adjustments	2,712,069	(605,736)	(10,586,435)
Comprehensive income	45,362,097	66,053,652	24,219,470
Less: Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to non-controlling			
interests	280,424	129,794	(559,409)
Comprehensive income attributable to Leju shareholders	45,081,673	65,923,858	24,778,879

LEJU HOLDINGS LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(In U.S. dollar)

	Ordinary S Number	Shares \$	Additional Paid-in Capital \$	Accumulated Deficit \$	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income \$	Subscription Receivable \$	Total Leju Equity \$	Non-controlling Interest \$	Total Equity
Balance at									
December 31, 2012	120,000,000	120,000	672,821,496	(485,712,966)	3,064,865	(120,000)	190,173,395	3,105,711	193,279,106
Net income				42,524,962			42,524,962	125,066	42,650,028
Capital contribution in									
connection with									
business acquisition			(6,459)				(6,459))	(6,459)
Capital contribution by									
non-controlling interest								36,904	36,904
Dividend to									
non-controlling interest								(338,941)	(338,941)
Share-based									
compensation			416,632	(106,128)			310,504		310,504
Cash contribution from									
E-House			1,000				1,000		1,000
Contribution from			15 507 600				15 505 600		15 505 600
E-House			15,527,623				15,527,623		15,527,623
Deemed distribution to									
E-House associated			(2.201.700)				(2.201.700)		(2.201.700)
with tax liability			(2,381,799)				(2,381,799))	(2,381,799)
Foreign currency					2 556 711		2 556 711	155 250	2.712.000
translation adjustments					2,556,711		2,556,711	155,358	2,712,069
Balance at									
December 31, 2013	120,000,000	120,000	686,378,493	(443,294,132)	5,621,576	(120,000)	248,705,937	3,084,098	251,790,035
Net income	120,000,000	120,000	000,570,475	66,520,894	3,021,370	(120,000)	66,520,894	138,494	66,659,388
Issuance of ordinary				00,520,051			00,520,051	150,171	00,037,500
shares, net of issuance									
cost	13,529,420	13.529	120,244,055				120,257,584		120,257,584
Share-based	10,020, .20	10,02	120,2,000				120,207,00		120,207,00.
compensation			9,448,778	(1,102,982)			8,345,796		8,345,796
Changes in equity									, ,
ownership on									
acquisition of									
non-controlling interest			(32,659,173)				(32,659,173)	(3,127,703)	(35,786,876)
Changes in equity									
ownership on partial									
disposal of subsidiary			312,659		5,123		317,782	(8,387)	309,395
Payment for									
subscription receivable									
from E-House						120,000	120,000		120,000
Contribution from									
E-House			2,857,251				2,857,251		2,857,251
Deemed distribution to									
E-House associated									
with tax liability			(571,227)				(571,227))	(571,227)
Vesting of restricted	220.000		4.044.500				4.040.000		1 012 000
shares	220,000	220	1,011,780				1,012,000		1,012,000
Exercise of share	266.201	266	1.004.050			((00,000)	505.505		525 525
options	266,201	266	1,224,258		(507.020	(688,989)		(0.700)	535,535
					(597,036))	(597,036)	(8,700)	(605,736)

Foreign currency								
translation adjustments								
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Balance at								
December 31, 2014	134,015,621	134,015	788,246,874	(377,876,220)	5,029,663	(688,989) 414,845,343	77,802	414,923,145
Net income				35,330,089		35,330,089	(524,184)	34,805,905
Dividends to								
shareholders			(26,873,022)			(26,873,022)		(26,873,022)
Dividends to								
non-controlling interest							(10,260)	(10,260)
Share-based								
compensation			10,478,778	(1,111,963)		9,366,815	12,893	9,379,708
Vesting of restricted								
shares	719,064	719	1,011,281			1,012,000		1,012,000
Exercise of share								
options	196,185	197	902,254			679,789 1,582,240		1,582,240
Foreign currency								
translation adjustments					(10,551,210)	(10,551,210)	(35,225)	(10,586,435)
Balance at								
December 31, 2015	134,930,870	134,931	773,766,165	(343,658,094)	(5,521,547)	(9,200) 424,712,255	(478,974)	424,233,281

LEJU HOLDINGS LIMITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In U.S. dollar)

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2013 \$	2014 \$	2015 \$		
Operating activities:	·		·		
Net income	42,650,028	66,659,388	34,805,905		
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating					
activities:					
Depreciation and amortization	38,342,931	26,118,778	29,279,835		
Loss from equity in affiliates	69,194	223,389	227,977		
Investment income			(271,501)		
Allowance for doubtful accounts	6,373,132	11,599,708	18,959,895		
Share-based compensation	310,504	8,880,397	11,518,112		
Amortization of discounts related to liability for exclusive rights	935,177	52,922			
Others	20,664	35,709	274,263		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Accounts receivable	(7,325,344)	(45,417,127)	(12,189,414)		
Customer deposits			(58,833,225)		
Amounts due from related parties	(3,882,437)	3,471,274	(8,222)		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(1,531,557)	(4,236,540)	(8,334,672)		
Other non-current assets	(281,717)	(247,654)	(264,398)		
Accounts payable	(301,228)	(1,051,548)	(42,576)		
Accrued payroll and welfare expenses	10,398,953	17,515,586	(2,265,584)		
Income tax payable	20,119,753	15,249,420	9,774,416		
Other tax payable	8,320,720	9,297,217	4,214,594		
Amounts due to related parties	(21,644,489)	4,381,372	48,449,802		
Other current liabilities and accrued expenses	8,930,136	14,668,180	(16,319,318)		
Deferred taxes	(18,081,440)	(2,369,482)	(7,700,893)		
Net cash provided by operating activities	83,422,980	124,830,989	51,274,996		
Investing activities:					
Deposit for and purchase of property and equipment and intangible					
assets	(16,957,279)	(12,122,678)	(14,810,650)		
Investment in affiliates	(246,027)	(245,138)	(369,595)		
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment	546,373	12,400	80,472		
Net cash used in investing activities	(16,656,933)	(12,355,416)	(15,099,773)		
Financing activities:					
Contribution from non-controlling interest	36,904				
Refund loans to related parties	(43,818,894)		(42,513,286)		
Advance from related parties	2,760,000	276,000			
Contribution from E-House	1,000	120,000			
Dividends to non-controlling interests	(338,941)		(10,260)		
Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares, net of paid issuance costs of \$15,036,616		120,257,584			
Proceeds from exercise of options		535,535	1,582,240		
Acquisition of non-controlling interest of subsidiaries		(14,418,056)	(17,360,080)		
Dividends to shareholders		, , , ,	(26,873,022)		
Proceeds from partial disposal of subsidiaries		309,395			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(41,359,931)	107,080,458	(85,174,408)		

Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	2,233,257	(474,614)	(8,515,962)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	27,639,373	219,081,417	(57,515,147)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	71,090,266	98,729,639	317,811,056
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	98,729,639	317,811,056	260,295,909
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:			
Income taxes paid	1,478,483	1,953,177	5,196,133
Non-cash investing and financing activities:			
Additional paid in capital recognized in connection with business			
acquisition	(6,459)		
Consideration payable for amount recognized in purchase of			
exclusive rights	(8,967,972)		
Related party loans waived and recorded as a capital contribution	1,000		
Related party payable recorded as a capital contribution	15,527,623	2,857,251	
Deemed distribution to E-House associated with tax liability	(2,381,799)	(571,227)	
Decrease in amount due to related party due to vesting of restricted			
shares		1,012,000	1,012,000
Payables for acquisition of non-controlling interest		(25,645,630)	(7,338,593)

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LEJU HOLDINGS LIMITED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013, 2014 AND 2015 (In U.S. dollar)

1. Organization and Principal Activities

Leju Holdings Limited (the Company or Leju) was incorporated on November 20, 2013 in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands. The Company, through its subsidiaries and consolidated variable interest entities (VIEs), is principally engaged in providing online advertising, e-commerce services and listing services in the People's Republic of China (PRC). The Company, its subsidiaries and consolidated VIEs are collectively referred to as the Group.

E-House (China) Holdings Limited (E-House Holdings) is the Company s parent company. E-House Holdings, its subsidiaries and VIEs, excluding the Group, are collectively referred to as E-House .

On February 24, 2008, E-House entered into a joint venture agreement with SINA Corporation (SINA) to form China Online Housing Technology Corporation (COHT), a joint venture to operate SINA is real estate and home furnishing channels and related business and provide online advertising services related to the real estate and home furnishing industries in China through a consolidated VIE, Beijing Yisheng Leju Information Service Co., Ltd. (Beijing Leju). SINA and E-House owned 66% and 34%, respectively, of the equity interest in COHT.

In October 2009, China Real Estate Information Corporation (CRIC), a subsidiary of E-House, acquired SINA s 66% interest in COHT and COHT became a wholly-owned subsidiary of CRIC.

In April 2012, E-House Holdings acquired all the outstanding shares of CRIC that it did not already own (the Merger). As a result, CRIC became a wholly-owned subsidiary of E-House Holdings. E-House retained the controlling interest in CRIC before and after the Merger.

In October 2010, CRIC established a new subsidiary, Omnigold Holdings Limited (Omnigold), in the British Virgin Islands. In March 2012, COHT transferred its assets and staff relating to the home furnishing business to Beijing Jiajujiu E-Commerce Co., Ltd. (Beijing Jiajujiu), which is a VIE controlled by Omnigold.

In June 2011, CRIC established another subsidiary, China E-Real Estate Holdings Limited (E-Real), in the British Virgin Islands. In November 2011, Shanghai Yi Xin E-Commerce Co., Ltd. (Shanghai Yi Xin), was established to operate e-commerce business. Shanghai Yi Xin is a VIE controlled by E-Real through contractual arrangements.

E-House City Rehouse Real Estate Agency (Shanghai) Limited (City Rehouse) was incorporated in 2010 as a wholly owned subsidiary of E-House China (Tianjin) Holdings Limited (E-House Tianjin), a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands and ultimately wholly controlled by E-House Holdings. Historically City Rehouse was engaged in providing secondary real estate brokerage services in Shanghai and e-commerce business. As part of the Reorganization as defined below, the secondary real estate brokerage services have been transferred to entities outside of the Group, and City Rehouse will only be engaged in e-commerce business subsequent to the Reorganization. Therefore the historical financial results associated with the secondary real estate brokerage services were not included in the Group s consolidated financial statements, while the historical financial results of e-commerce business have been included in the consolidated financial statements for all periods presented.

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In December 2013, E-House transferred all its equity interests in COHT, Omnigold, E-Real and E-House Tianjin to the Company. The restructuring process has been accounted for as a legal reorganization of entities under common control (the Reorganization).

Upon incorporation, the Company had 500,000,000 ordinary shares authorized, 50,000 ordinary shares issued and outstanding with a par value of \$1.00 per share, all of which were held by E-House Holdings. On December 19, 2013, the Company effected a 1:1,000 share split, resulting in 50,000,000 ordinary shares issued and outstanding with a par value of \$0.001 per share. The Company also issued additional 70,000,000 ordinary shares to E-House Holdings for par value, or \$70,000. As a result, the Company has 120,000,000 ordinary shares issued and outstanding, all of which are held by E-House Holdings. The ordinary share issuance to E-House Holdings has been retroactively reflected for all periods presented herein.

In addition, E-House historically has provided intercompany loans to COHT, Omnigold and E-House Tianjin in order for these entities to fund capital injections of their respective PRC subsidiaries. These loans were capital in nature and considered permanently invested in the subsidiaries. As part of the Reorganization, E-House transferred such investments to the Company in the legal form of waived loans, which were reflected as a capital contribution from E-House in the Company s consolidated statements of changes in equity. The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared as if the current corporate structure has been in existence throughout the periods presented, and the waived loans were reflected as a capital contribution as of the date such loans were originally made due to their nature of capital investment.

On March 21, 2014, the Company entered into a share purchase and subscription agreement with E-House Holdings and THL O Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tencent Holdings Limited (Tencent are to Tencent Holdings Limited or certain of its affiliates which have entered into agreements with the Company), pursuant to which Tencent has acquired from E-House Holdings 19,201,800 of Leju s ordinary shares for \$180 million in cash.

On April 17, 2014, the Company s ADSs began trading on the NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, or the NYSE under the symbol LEJU. Including the exercise of an over-allotment option, the Company issued a total of 11,500,000 ADSs, representing 11,500,000 ordinary shares, at an initial offering price of \$10.00 per ADS. Concurrent with this offering, the Company also issued and sold 2,029,420 ordinary shares in the private placement to Tencent at \$10.00 per share. The Company raised from this initial public offering approximately \$101.4 million in net proceeds after deducting underwriting commissions and the offering expenses payable by the Company. Concurrently with the initial public offering, the Company also raised from Tencent in a private placement \$18.9 million in net proceeds after deducting estimated fees and expenses payable by the Company.

The following table lists major subsidiaries and the consolidated VIEs of the Company as of December 31, 2015:

	Date of Incorporation	Place of Incorporation	Percentage of Ownership
Shanghai SINA Leju Information Technology Co., Ltd (Shanghai			
SINA Leju)	08-May-08	PRC	100%
City Rehouse	04-Mar-10	PRC	100%
Shanghai Yi Yue Information Technology Co., Ltd (Shanghai Yi			
Yue)	16-Sep-11	PRC	100%
Beijing Maiteng Fengshun Science and Technology Co., Ltd (Beijing			
Maiteng)	04-Jan-12	PRC	84%
Beijing Leju	13-Feb-08	PRC	VIE

Shanghai Yi Xin	05-Dec-11	PRC	VIE
Beijing Jiajujiu	22-Mar-12	PRC	VIE

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The Group's consolidated financial statements for the periods prior to the Company's initial public offering (IPO) in April 2014 have been prepared on a carve-out basis and represent the assets and liabilities and the related results of operations and cash flows of the Group, which represent the online segment of E-House. The financial data of previously separate entities have been combined, to the extent included in the online segment of E-House, for all periods presented as all such entities were under common control. However, such presentation may not necessarily reflect the results of operations, financial position and cash flows if the Group had actually existed on a stand-alone basis during the periods presented. Transactions between the Group and E-House are herein referred to as related party transactions.

In connection with a contemplated IPO of the Company, the Company entered into non-competition arrangements with E-House Holdings, according to which E-House has agreed not to compete with the Group in online services business anywhere in the world and the Group has agreed not to compete with E-House in any services currently provided or contemplated by E-House other than online services. Prior to these non-competition arrangements, E-House and the Group did not have competition in the services provided.

The consolidated financial statements include the Group's direct expenses as well as allocations for various selling, general and administrative expenses of E-House that are not directly related to online services. These expenses consist primarily of share-based compensation expenses of senior management and shared marketing and management expenses including accounting, administrative, marketing, internal control, customer service support and legal support services. These allocations were made using a proportional cost allocation method and were based on revenues, headcount as well as estimates of actual time spent on the provision of services attributable to the Group. Management believes these allocations are reasonable. Total selling, general and administrative expenses allocated from E-House are \$15,527,623 and \$2,857,251 for the year ended December 31, 2013 and for the period from January 1, 2014 to the IPO date, respectively, recorded as capital contribution by E-House. Income tax provision reflected in the Company s Consolidated Statements of Operations is calculated based on a separate return basis as if the Group had filed a separate tax return. Subsequent to the IPO, E-House began charging the Group transitional corporate service fees pursuant to agreements entered into in March 2014 in connection with the IPO. Under these transitional services arrangements, E-House provides various corporate support services to the Group, including general finance and accounting, human resource management, administrative, internal control and internal audit, operational management, legal and information technology. E-House charges the Group a fee based on an estimate of the actual cost incurred to provide such services, which amounted to \$10,399,978 and \$6,040,071 for the period from the IPO date to December 31, 2014 and for the year ended December 31, 2015.

2. Summary of Principal Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of presentation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared and presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP).

(b) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of Leju, its majority owned subsidiaries and its VIEs, Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu. All inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

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The Group evaluates each of its interests in private companies to determine whether or not the investee is a VIE and, if so, whether the Group is the primary beneficiary of such VIE. In determining whether the Group is the primary beneficiary, the Group considers if the Group (1) has power to direct the activities that most significantly affects the economic performance of the VIE, and (2) receives the economic benefits of the VIE that could be significant to the VIE. If deemed the primary beneficiary, the Group consolidates the VIE.

The VIE arrangements

PRC regulations currently prohibit or restrict foreign ownership of companies that provide internet content and advertising services. To comply with these regulations, the Group provides such activities relating to real estate projects through its VIEs and their subsidiaries. To provide the Group effective control over and the ability to receive substantially all of the economic benefits of its VIEs and their subsidiaries, certain of the Company s subsidiaries, Shanghai SINA Leju, Shanghai Yi Yue and Maiteng (collectively, the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries) entered into a series of contractual arrangements with Beijing Leju, Shanghai Yi Xin and Beijing Jiajujiu (collectively the VIEs) and their respective shareholders, respectively, as summarized below:

Name of Foreign Owned Subsidiaries	Foreign Owned Subsidiaries Economic Ownership of VIES	Name of VIEs	Activities of VIEs
	of vies	Name of VIES	
Shanghai SINA Leju			Operate the online advertising and
	100%	Beijing Leju	listing business
Shanghai Yi Yue	100%	Shanghai Yi Xin	Operate the e-commerce business
Beijing Maiteng			Operate the online home
	100%	Beijing Jiajujiu	furnishing business

The VIEs hold the requisite licenses and permits necessary to conduct internet content and advertising services activities relating to real estate projects from which foreign ownership of companies are prohibited or restricted. In addition, the VIEs hold leases and other assets necessary to operate such business and generate a majority of the Group s revenues.

Agreements that Transfer Economic Benefits of the VIEs to the Group

Exclusive Consulting and Technical Support Agreement. Pursuant to an exclusive consulting and technical support agreement between the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries and the respective VIEs, the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries provide the respective VIEs with a series of consulting and technical support services and are entitled to receive related fees. The term of this exclusive technical support agreement will expire upon dissolution of the VIEs. Unless expressly provided by this agreement, without prior written consent of the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries, the VIEs may not engage any third party to provide the services offered by the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries under this agreement.

Agreements that Provide Effective Control over VIEs

Each of shareholders of the VIEs has entered into an exclusive call option agreement with the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries. Pursuant to these agreements, each of the shareholders of the VIEs has granted an irrevocable and unconditional option to the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries or their designees to acquire all or part of such shareholder s equity interests in VIEs at its sole discretion, to the extent as permitted by PRC laws and regulations then in effect. The consideration for such acquisition of all equity interests in the VIEs will be equal to the registered capital of the VIEs, and if PRC law requires the consideration to be greater than the registered capital, the consideration will be the minimum amount as permitted by PRC law. In addition, the VIEs irrevocably and unconditionally granted the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries an exclusive option to purchase, to the extent permitted under the PRC law, all or part of the assets of the VIEs. The exercise price for purchasing the assets of the VIEs will be equal to their respective book values, and if PRC law requires the price to be greater than the book value, the price will be the minimum amount as permitted by PRC law. The call option may be exercised by the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries or their designees.

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Loan Agreement. Under the loan agreement among shareholders of the VIEs and the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries, the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries granted an interest-free loan to the shareholders of the VIEs, solely for their purchase of the equity interest of the VIEs, investing or operating activities conducted in the VIEs. Each loan agreement has a term of twenty years.

Shareholder Voting Right Proxy Agreement. Each of the shareholders of the VIEs irrevocably grant any person designated by the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries the power to exercise all voting rights to which he will be entitled to as shareholder of the VIEs at that time, including the right to declare dividends, appoint and elect board members and senior management members and other voting rights.

Each shareholder voting right proxy agreement has a term of twenty years, unless it is early terminated by all parties in writing or pursuant to provision of this agreement. The term of the agreement will be automatically extended for one year upon the expiration, if the Foreign Owned Subsidiary gives the other parties written notice requiring the extension thereof and the same mechanism will apply subsequently upon the expiration of each extended term.

Equity Pledge Agreement. Each of the shareholders of the VIEs has also entered into an equity pledge agreement with the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries. Pursuant to which these shareholders pledged their respective equity interest in the VIEs to guarantee the performance of the obligations of the VIEs. The Foreign Owned Subsidiaries, as pledgee, will be entitled to certain rights, including the right to sell the pledged equity interests. Pursuant to the equity pledge agreement, each shareholder of the VIEs cannot transfer, sell, pledge, dispose of or otherwise create any new encumbrance on their respective equity interest in the VIEs without the prior written consent of the respective Foreign Owned Subsidiaries. The equity pledge right enjoyed by the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries will expire when shareholders of the VIEs have fully performed their respective obligations under the above agreements. The equity pledges of the VIEs have been registered with the relevant local branch of the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, or SAIC.

Risks in relation to the VIE structure

The Company believes that the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries contractual arrangements with the VIEs are in compliance with PRC law and are legally enforceable. However, uncertainties in the PRC legal system could limit the Company s ability to enforce these contractual arrangements and the interests of the shareholders of the VIEs may diverge from that of the Company and that may potentially increase the risk that they would seek to act contrary to the contractual terms, for example by influencing the VIEs not to pay the service fees when required to do so.

The Company s ability to control the VIEs also depends on the power of attorney the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries have to vote on all matters requiring shareholder approval in the VIEs. As noted above, the Company believes this power of attorney is legally enforceable but may not be as effective as direct equity ownership.

In addition, if the legal structure and contractual arrangements were found to be in violation of any existing PRC laws and regulations, the Company may be subject to fines or other actions. The Company does not believe such actions would result in the liquidation or dissolution of the Company, the Foreign Owned Subsidiaries or the VIEs.

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The Company, through its subsidiaries and through the contractual arrangements, has (1) the power to direct the activities of the VIEs that most significantly affect the entity s economic performance and (2) the right to receive benefits from the VIEs. Accordingly, the Company is the primary beneficiary of the VIEs and has consolidated the financial results of the VIEs.

The following financial statement amounts and balances of the Group s VIEs were included in the accompanying consolidated financial statements:

	As of December 31,		
	2014	2015	
	\$	\$	
Cash and cash equivalents	95,927,942	59,170,627	
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts	117,835,596	111,300,756	
Customer deposits		38,710,027	
Amounts due from related parties	684	13,238,930	
Other current assets	31,506,971	42,795,082	
Total current assets	245,271,193	265,215,422	
Total non-current assets	27,333,289	22,008,141	
Total assets	272,604,482	287,223,563	
Accounts payable	370,652	327,140	
Accrued payroll and welfare expenses	40,946,532	34,784,706	
Income tax payable	26,702,856	27,599,392	
Other tax payable	15,883,568	17,268,065	
Amounts due to related parties	30,147,834	1,418,096	
Advance from customers	4,617,183	5,366,944	
Liability for accrued marketing and advertising expenses	3,691,831	733,473	
Liability for unpaid consideration of acquiring non-controlling interest	25,645,630	7,338,593	
Other current liabilities	5,137,314	6,340,375	
Total current liabilities	153,143,400	101,176,784	
Deferred tax liabilities, non-current	469,579	523,874	
Total liabilities	153,612,979	101,700,658	

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2013	2014	2015	
	\$	\$	\$	
Total revenues	316,271,620	484,511,682	558,714,556	
Cost of revenues	(58,253,716)	(41,218,756)	(48,032,280)	
Net income	1,285,139	2,532,232	3,307,694	
Net cash provided by operating activities	64,832,510	57,761,765	41,577,844	
Net cash used in investing activities	(16,640,090)	(10,927,762)	(13,884,075)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(37,824,941)	(14,418,056)	(59,873,366)	

There are no consolidated VIEs assets that are collateral for the VIEs obligations or are restricted solely to settle the VIEs obligations. The Company has not provided any financial support that it was not previously contractually required to provide to the VIEs.

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(c) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from such estimates. Significant accounting estimates reflected in the Group's financial statements include useful lives and valuation of long-lived assets, evaluation of goodwill, allowance for doubtful accounts, assumptions related to share-based compensation arrangements, assumptions related to the consolidation of entities in which the Group holds variable interests, valuation allowance on deferred tax, and selling price hierarchy in multiple-deliverable revenue arrangements.

(d) Fair value of financial instruments

The Group may have certain of its financial assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis. Fair value reflects the price that would be received from selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. When determining the fair value measurements for assets and liabilities required or permitted to be recorded at fair value, the Company considers the principal or most advantageous market in which it would transact and considers assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability.

The Group applies a fair value hierarchy that requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. A financial instrument s categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. There are three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1 applies to assets or liabilities for which there are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 applies to assets or liabilities for which there are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in markets with insufficient volume or infrequent transactions (less active markets); or model-derived valuations in which significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data.

Level 3 applies to assets or liabilities for which there are unobservable inputs to the valuation methodology that are significant to the measurement of the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

There are no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis subsequent to initial recognition.

There were no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis in 2013, 2014 and 2015.

For cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, customer deposits, other receivables, accounts payable, other payables, and amounts due from/to related parties, the carrying value approximates the fair value due to their short-term nature.

(e) Business combinations

Business combinations are recorded using the purchase method of accounting and, accordingly, the acquired assets and liabilities are recorded at their fair market value at the date of acquisition. Any excess of acquisition cost over the fair value of the acquired assets and liabilities, including identifiable intangible assets, is recorded as goodwill.

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(f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand and demand deposits, which are unrestricted as to withdrawal and use, and which have original maturities of three months or less.

(g) Customer deposits

The Group provides online e-commerce services for customers. Some real estate developers require the Group to pay an upfront and refundable deposit to obtain the exclusive e-commerce services agreement of the real estate development projects. These deposits are refunded to the Group subject to certain pre-determined criteria specified in the contracts. Customer deposits are recorded as either current or non-current assets based on the Group s estimate of the date of refund. As of December 31, 2015, all customer deposit are refundable within 12 months and none of them passed the original due date.

(h) Investment in affiliates

Affiliated companies are entities over which the Group has significant influence, but which it does not control. The Group generally considers an ownership interest of 20% in common stock or higher to represent a presumption that they are able to exert significant influence.

Investments in affiliates are accounted for by the equity method of accounting. Under this method, the Group s share of the post-acquisition profits or losses of affiliated companies is recognized in the income statement and its share of post-acquisition movements in other comprehensive income is recognized in other comprehensive income. Unrealized gains on transactions between the Group and its affiliated companies are eliminated to the extent of the Group s interest in the affiliated companies; unrealized losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. When the Group s share of losses in an affiliated company equals or exceeds its interest in the affiliated company, the Group does not recognize further losses, unless the Group has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the affiliated company.

The Group is required to perform an impairment assessment of its investments whenever events or changes in business circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the investment may not be fully recoverable. An impairment loss is recorded when there has been a loss in value of the investment that is other than temporary. The Group has not recorded any impairment losses in any of the periods reported. As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, the Group determined that no such events were present.

(i) Property and equipment, net

Property and equipment is recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on a straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Leasehold improvements	Over the shorter of the lease term or their estimated useful lives
Buildings	30 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3-5 years
Motor vehicles	5 years

Gains and losses from the disposal of property and equipment are included in income from operations.

(j) Intangible assets, net

Acquired intangible assets mainly consist of advertising agency agreement and license agreements with SINA, exclusive rights with Baidu, Inc. (Baidu), customer relationships, Database license, and non-compete agreements from business combinations and are recorded at fair value on the acquisition date. All intangible assets, with the exception of customer relationships, are amortized ratably over the contract period. Intangible assets resulting out of acquired customer relationships are amortized based on the timing of the revenue expected to be derived from the respective customer.

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(k) Impairment of long-lived assets

The Group evaluates its long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. When these events occur, the Group measures impairment by comparing the carrying amount of the assets to future undiscounted net cash flows expected to result from the use of the assets and their eventual disposition. If the sum of the expected undiscounted cash flow is less than the carrying amount of the assets, the Group would recognize an impairment loss equal to the excess of the carrying amount over the fair value of the assets.

(1) Impairment of goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets

The Group performs an annual goodwill impairment test comprised of two steps. The first step compares the fair value of the Group to its carrying amount, including goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets. If the fair value of the Group exceeds its carrying amount, goodwill is not considered to be impaired and the second step will not be required. If the carrying amount of the Group exceeds its fair value, the second step compares the implied fair value of goodwill and indefinite lived intangible assets to the carrying value of the Group s goodwill. The implied fair value of goodwill is determined in a manner similar to accounting for a business combination with the allocation of the assessed fair value determined in the first step to the assets and liabilities of the Group. The excess of the fair value of the Group over the amounts assigned to the assets and liabilities is the implied fair value of goodwill. This allocation process is only performed for purposes of evaluating goodwill impairment and does not result in an entry to adjust the value of any assets or liabilities. An impairment loss is recognized for any excess in the carrying value of goodwill over the implied fair value of goodwill.

Management performs a goodwill impairment test at the Group level as of December 31 of each year or when there is a triggering event causing management to believe it is more likely than not that the carrying amount of goodwill may be impaired.

Intangible assets with an indefinite life are tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. The impairment test consists of a comparison of the fair value of the intangible asset to its carrying amount. If the carrying amount exceeds the fair value, an impairment loss is recognized equal in amount to that excess.

(m) Income taxes

Deferred income taxes are recognized for temporary differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities, and their reported amounts in the financial statements, net operating loss carry forwards and credits by applying enacted statutory tax rates applicable to future years when the reported amounts of the asset or liability are expected to be recovered or settled, respectively. Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance if, based on the weight of available evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. Current income taxes are provided for in accordance with the laws of the relevant taxing authorities. The components of the deferred tax assets and liabilities are individually classified as current and non-current based on the classification of the related assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes.

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The Group only recognizes tax benefits related to uncertain tax positions when such positions are more likely than not of being sustained upon examination. For such positions, the amount of tax benefit that the Group recognizes is the largest amount of tax benefit that is more than fifty percent likely of being sustained upon the ultimate settlement of such uncertain position. The Group records interest and penalties as a component of income tax expense.

(n) Share-based compensation

Share-based compensation cost is measured on the grant date, based on the fair value of the award, and recognized as an expense over the requisite service period. Management has made an estimate of expected forfeitures and recognizes compensation cost only for those equity awards expected to vest.

(o) Revenue recognition

The Group recognizes revenue when there is persuasive evidence of an arrangement, service has been rendered, the sales price is fixed or determinable and collectability is reasonably assured. Revenues are recorded, net of sales related taxes.

The Group generates real estate online revenues principally from e-commerce, online advertising, and listing services.

The Group e-commerce services primarily include discount coupon advertising and online property auctions. The Group also provides property viewing and pre-sale customer support free of charge in connection with the sale of discount coupons and online property auctions. E-commerce revenues are principally generated from selling discount coupons to potential property buyers. Those discount coupons allow buyers to purchase specified properties from real estate developers at discounts greater than the face value of the fees charged by the Group. The discount coupons are refundable to the buyers at any time before they are used to purchase the specified properties. The Group recognizes such e-commerce revenues upon obtaining confirmation letters that prove the use of coupons by property buyers, and when collections are reasonably assured. Revenues are recognized based on the net proceeds received as the Group acts as a marketing agent of the property developer in the transaction.

Revenue from online advertising services is generated principally from online advertising arrangements, sponsorship arrangements, and to a lesser extent, outsourcing arrangements, and keyword advertising arrangements. Online advertising arrangements allow advertisers to place advertisements on particular areas of the Group s websites, in particular formats and over particular periods of time. Advertising revenues from online advertising arrangements are recognized ratably over the contract period of display when collectability is reasonably assured. Sponsorship arrangements allow advertisers to sponsor a particular area on the Group s websites in exchange for a fixed payment over the contract period. Advertising revenues from sponsorship arrangements are recognized ratably over the contract period. The Group also generates online advertising revenues from outsourcing certain regional sites for a fixed period of time to local outsourcing partners, who are responsible for both website operation and related advertising sales. Advertising revenues from hosted websites are recognized ratably over the term of the contract. Keyword advertising revenues are recognized ratably over the contract period when collectability is reasonably assured.

The Group also provides listing services to real estate brokers. Listing services entitle real estate brokers to post and make changes to information for properties in a particular area on the website for a specified period of time, in exchange for a fixed fee. Listing revenues are recognized ratably over the contract period of display when collectability is reasonably assured.

There are no multiple elements arrangements within the services provided by the Group. However, E-House has multiple element arrangements that may include provision of online advertising services provided by the Group. The total amounts of revenue earned by the Group related to agreements that have been accounted for as multiple element arrangements by E-House were \$5,556,867, \$4,836,931 and \$3,689,272 in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

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Deferred revenues are recognized when payments are received in advance of revenue recognition.

(p) Cost of revenue

Cost of revenue consists of costs associated with the production of websites, which includes fees paid to third parties for internet connection, content and services, editorial personnel related costs, amortization of intangible assets, depreciation associated with website production equipment and fees paid to SINA for advertising on non-real estate channels.

(q) Marketing and advertising expenses

Marketing and advertising expenses consists primarily of targeted online and offline marketing costs for promoting our e-commerce projects, increasing our visibility and building our brand, such as Leju property visit, sponsored marketing campaigns, online or print advertising, public relations and sponsored events. The Company expenses all marketing advertising costs as incurred and record these costs within Selling, general and administrative expenses on the consolidated statements of operations when incurred. The nature of the Company's direct marketing activities is such that they are intended to attract subscribers for the online advertising and potential property buyers to purchase the discount coupons. The Group incurred marketing and advertising expenses amounting to \$96,288,501, \$196,396,734 and \$306,846,482 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

(r) Foreign currency translation

The functional currency of the Company is the United States dollar (U.S. dollar) and is used as the reporting currency of the Group. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar are translated into U.S. dollar at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Equity accounts are translated at historical exchange rates and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are translated using the average rate for the year. Translation adjustments are reported as foreign currency translation adjustment and are shown as a separate component of other comprehensive income in the consolidated statements of changes in equity and comprehensive income.

The financial records of certain of the Company s subsidiaries are maintained in local currencies other than the U.S. dollar, such as Renminbi (RMB) and Hong Kong dollar (HKD), which are their functional currencies. Transactions in other currencies are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing when the transactions occur. Transaction gains and losses are recognized in the consolidated statements of operations.

The Group recorded an exchange loss of \$249,944, an exchange gain \$88,721 and \$156,641 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively, as a component of other loss, net.

(s) Government subsidies

Government subsidies include cash subsidies received by the Company subsidiaries in the PRC from local governments. These subsidies are generally provided as incentives for conducting business in certain local districts and are typically granted based on the amount of value-added tax, business tax, and income tax payment generated by the Group in certain local districts. Such subsidies allow the Group full discretion in utilizing the funds and are used by the Group for general corporate purpose. The local governments have final discretion as to the amount of cash subsidies. Cash subsidies of \$599,894, \$2,525,496 and \$3,567,965 were included in other operating income for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. Subsidies are recognized when cash is received and when all the conditions for their receipt have been satisfied.

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(t) Concentration of credit risk

Financial instruments that potentially expose the Group to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and customer deposit. The Group places its cash and cash equivalents with reputable financial institutions.

The Group regularly reviews the creditworthiness of its customers, and requires collateral or other security from its customers in certain circumstances when accounts receivables—aging is over one year. The Group establishes an allowance for doubtful accounts primarily based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific customers, including creditworthiness of the clients, aging of the receivables and other specific circumstances related to the accounts.

Movement of the allowance for doubtful accounts for accounts receivable is as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2013	2014	2015	
	\$	\$	\$	
Balance as of January 1	7,393,312	9,353,689	15,471,020	
Provisions for doubtful accounts	6,373,132	11,599,708	18,959,895	
Write offs	(4,667,466)	(5,437,380)	(6,827,314)	
Changes due to foreign exchange	254,711	(44,997)	(1,252,787)	
Balance as of December 31	9,353,689	15,471,020	26,350,814	

The allowance for other receivables was nil for all periods presented.

(u) Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share are computed by dividing income attributable to holders of ordinary shares by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted earnings per ordinary share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue ordinary shares were exercised or converted into ordinary shares.

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted income per share for the periods indicated:

	Year Ended December 31,					
		2013		2014		2015
Net income attributable to Leju ordinary						
shareholders basic and diluted	\$	42,524,962	\$	66,520,894	\$	35,330,089
Weighted average number of ordinary shares						
outstanding basic		120,000,000		129,320,666		134,528,971
Stock options				3,181,434		1,695,003
Weighted average number of ordinary shares						
outstanding diluted		120,000,000		132,502,100		136,223,974
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.35	\$	0.51	\$	0.26
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.35	\$	0.50	\$	0.26

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Diluted earnings per share do not include the following instruments as their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive:

	Ye	ear Ended December 31,		
	2013	2014	2015	
Share options and restricted shares	599,333		2,464,500	
(v) Non-controlling interest				
Non-controlling interest are classified as a separate statements have distinguished the interest of Leju fr				l financial
(w) Comprehensive income				
Comprehensive income includes all changes in equi years presented, total comprehensive income includ				ners. For the
(x) Recently issued accounting pronouncements				
In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards B. The guidance replaces almost all exiting revenue recogniciple of the guidance is that an entity should recognic amount that reflects the consideration to which the exprinciple, an entity should apply the following steps	cognition guidance, incl ognize revenue to depic entity expects to be entit	uding industry specific gut t the transfer of promised	idance, in current US GAA goods or services to custom	P. The core ters in an
Step 1: Identify the contract(s) with a customer.				
Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the o	contract.			

Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract.

Step 3: Determine the transaction price.

Step 5: Recognize revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation.

ASU 2014-09 is originally effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period. ASU 2015-14, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, defers the effective date of ASU 2014-09 by one year. As a result, ASU 2014-09 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017 and interim periods therein. Early adoption is permitted to the original effective date. The Group is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption of this guidance on the Group s consolidated financial statements.

In August 2015, the FASB issued a new pronouncement, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Deferral of the Effective Date. The amendments in this ASU provide that public business entities should apply the guidance in ASU 2014-09 to annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim reporting periods within that reporting period. Earlier application is permitted only as of annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim reporting periods within that reporting period. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact of the standard on our consolidated financial statements.

In February 2015, the FASB issued, ASU 2015-02, Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis , regarding consolidation of legal entities such as limited partnerships, limited liability corporations, and securitization structures. The guidance eliminates the deferral issued by the FASB in February 2010 of the accounting guidance for VIE for certain investment funds, including mutual funds, private equity funds and hedge funds. In addition, the guidance amends the evaluation of fees paid to a decision maker or a service provider, and exempts certain money market funds from consolidation. The guidance will be effective for accounting periods beginning after December 15, 2015 with early adoption permitted. The Group early adopted ASU 2015-02 for the year ended December 31, 2015. In adopting the guidance, the Company re-evaluated the existing consolidated VIEs and assessed that the adoption neither changes the conclusion of the consolidated VIEs and nor requires new VIEs to be consolidated, and as such has not had a material impact on the Group s consolidated financial statements.

In September 2015, the FASB issued ASU2015- 16 related to the accounting for measurement period adjustments recognized in a business combination. Under the previous standard, when adjustments were made to amounts previously reported as part of a business combination during the measurement period, entities were required to revise comparative information for prior periods. Under the new standard, entities must recognize these adjustments in the reporting period in which the amounts are determined rather than retrospectively. The new standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, including interim periods within that reporting period and early adoption is permitted. The Group does not expect the adoption of this guidance will have a significant effect on the Group s consolidated financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-17, Income Taxes (Topic 740): Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes, which requires deferred income tax liabilities and assets to be classified as noncurrent on the balance sheet rather than being separated into current and noncurrent. The guidance is effective for public entities for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those annual periods with early adoption being permitted. The ASU will only have an impact on the Group s presentation of tax assets and liabilities in the Group s consolidated balance sheets upon adoption.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, Financial Instruments-Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities (ASU 2016-01), which requires that equity investments, except for those accounted for under the equity method or those that result in consolidation of the investee, be measured at fair value, with subsequent changes in fair value recognized in net income. However, an entity may choose to measure equity investments that do not have readily determinable fair values at cost minus impairment, if any, plus or minus changes resulting from observable price changes in orderly transactions for the identical or a similar investment of the same issuer. ASU 2016-01 also impacts the presentation and disclosure requirements for financial instruments. ASU 2016-01 is effective for public business entities for annual periods, and interim periods within those annual periods,

beginning after December 15, 2017. Early adoption is permitted only for certain provisions. The Group is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption of this guidance on the Group s consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842), which requires lessees to recognize most leases on the balance sheet. This ASU requires lessees to recognize a right-of-use asset and lease liability for all leases with terms of more than 12 months. Lessees are permitted to make an accounting policy election to not recognize the asset and liability for leases with a term of twelve months or less. The ASU does not significantly change the lessees—recognition, measurement and presentation of expenses and cash flows from the previous accounting standard. Lessors—accounting under the ASC is largely unchanged from the previous accounting standard. In addition, the ASU expands the disclosure requirements of lease arrangements. Lessees and lessors will use a modified retrospective transition approach, which includes a number of practical expedients. The provisions of this guidance are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within those years, with early adoption permitted. The Group is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption of this guidance on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-07, which eliminates the requirement to retroactively adopt the equity method of accounting. The amendments require that the equity method investor add the cost of acquiring the additional interest in the investee to the current basis of the investor's previously held interest and adopt the equity method of accounting as of the date the investment becomes qualified for equity method accounting. The amendments in this Update are effective for all entities for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2016. The amendments should be applied prospectively upon their effective date to increases in the level of ownership interest or degree of influence that result in the adoption of the equity method. Earlier application is permitted. The Group is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption of this guidance on the consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-08, which amends the principal-versus-agent implementation guidance and illustrations in the Board's new revenue standard (ASC 606). The amendments in this update clarify the implementation guidance on principal versus agent considerations. When another party, along with the reporting entity, is involved in providing goods or services to a customer, an entity is required to determine whether the nature of its promise is to provide that good or service to the customer (as a principal) or to arrange for the good or service to be provided to the customer by the other party (as an agent). The guidance is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017. The Group is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption of this guidance on the consolidated fin0ancial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-09, which simplifies several aspects of the accounting for employee share-based payment transactions for both public and nonpublic entities, including the accounting for income taxes, forfeitures, and statutory tax withholding requirements, as well as classification in the statement of cash flows. For public entities, the ASU is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within those annual reporting periods. Early adoption will be permitted in any interim or annual period for which financial statements have not yet been issued or have not been made available for issuance. The Group is in the process of evaluating the impact of adoption of this guidance on the consolidated financial statements.

3. Acquisition of Non-controlling Interests

There were 3 significant acquisitions of non-controlling interests completed in 2014. As a result of the below transactions, the equity attributable to Leju s shareholders is decreased by \$32,469,069 in the year ended December 31, 2014.

In January 2014, the Group entered into an equity transfer agreement with two individual shareholders of Beijing Lotta Times Advertising Co., Ltd (Beijing Lotta), a subsidiary of Beijing Leju, to purchase the remaining 40% shares of Beijing Lotta that it did not already own with a total consideration of \$16,254,600 (RMB100,000,000). After the acquisition, Beijing Lotta became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group. As the Group retains the controlling interest in Beijing Lotta before and after the acquisition, the acquisition was accounted for as an equity transaction.

The carrying amount of the non-controlling interest in the subsidiary was adjusted to reflect the change in Group s ownership interest in Beijing Lotta. Any difference between the fair value of the consideration paid and the amount by which the non-controlling interest was adjusted was recognized in equity. As a result of the transaction, \$15,112,828 additional paid capital and \$1,141,772 non-controlling interest were derecognized in the year ended December 31, 2014. As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, \$7,190,700 (RMB44,000,000) and \$3,387,956 (RMB22,000,000)was unpaid, respectively.

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In September 2014, the Group entered into an equity transfer agreement with six individual shareholders (five of them are employees of the Group) of Beijing Yisheng Leju Advertising Co., Ltd (Beijing Leju Advertisement) and Yisheng Leju (Shanghai) Information Service Co., Ltd.(Yisheng Shanghai), two subsidiaries of Beijing Leju, to purchase the remaining 24.5% shares of Beijing Leju Advertisement and Yisheng Shanghai that it did not own with a total consideration of \$19,074,412 (RMB117,355,000). Considerations to the five employees shareholders are \$16,054,493 (RMB98,775,000) for 19.5% equity interest, equivalent to \$823,307 per 1% equity interest, while the consideration for the rest 5.0% to the non-employee shareholder is \$3,019,919 (RMB18,580,000), equivalent to \$603,984 per 1% of equity interest. In connection with the equity transfer, the five employees are also required to serve for the Group for two years from the closing date of the transaction. The Group considers the purchase price to the nonemployee shareholder represent fair value of the equity interest on the date of transfer. The consideration premium of \$4,276,810 paid to the employee shareholders was treated as share-based compensation to be amortized over the 2-year service period. After the acquisition, Beijing Leju Advertisement and Yisheng Shanghai became wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Group. As the Group retains the controlling interest in Beijing Leju Advertisement and Yisheng Shanghai before and after the acquisition, the acquisition was accounted for as an equity transaction. The carrying amount of the non-controlling interest in two subsidiaries were adjusted to reflect the change in Group s ownership interest in them. Any difference between the fair value of the consideration paid and the amount by which the non-controlling interest was adjusted was recognized in equity. As a result of the equity transaction, \$12,906,772 additional paid capital and \$1,890,830 non-controlling interest were derecognized in the year ended December 31, 2014. As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, \$15,534,635 and \$3,706,648 was unpaid, respectively.

In September 2014, the Group entered into an equity transfer agreement with an individual shareholder of Tianjin Yisheng Leju Advertising Co., Ltd (Tianjin Leju), a subsidiary of Beijing Leju, to purchase the remaining 30% shares of Tianjin Leju that it did not own with a total consideration of \$4,685,913 (RMB28,830,000). After the acquisition, Tianjin Leju becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group. As the Group retains the controlling interest in Tianjin Leju before and after the acquisition, the acquisition was accounted for as an equity transaction. The carrying amount of the non-controlling interest in the subsidiary was adjusted to reflect the change in Group s ownership interest in Tianjin Leju. Any difference between the fair value of the consideration paid and the amount by which the non-controlling interest was adjusted was recognized in equity. As a result of the transaction, \$4,449,469 additional paid capital and \$236,444 non-controlling interest were derecognized in the year ended December 31, 2014. As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, \$2,871,268 and \$243,989 was unpaid, respectively.

4. Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment, net consists of the following:

	As of Decemb	As of December 31,	
	2014 \$	2015 \$	
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	11,892,101	12,492,343	
Leasehold improvements	4,976,638	5,490,605	
Buildings	763,240	633,646	
Motor vehicles	1,806,268	1,737,572	
Total	19,438,247	20,354,166	
Accumulated depreciation	(12,279,467)	(13,553,552)	
Property and equipment, net	7,158,780	6,800,614	

Depreciation expenses were \$3,021,130, \$3,030,451 and \$2,626,264 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

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5. Intangible Assets, Net

			Weighted Average Remaining Amortization
	As of Decei		Period in Years
	2014 \$	2015 \$	
Intangible assets subject to amortization are comprised of the		·	
following:			
Advertising agency agreement with SINA	106,790,000	106,790,000	8.75
License agreements with SINA	80,660,000	80,660,000	8.75
Exclusive rights with Baidu	45,151,494	54,096,827	
Customer relationship	10,795,384	10,538,309	3.63
Database license	8,300,000	8,300,000	2.25
Non-compete agreements	1,657,256	1,575,336	
Computer software licenses	898,421	1,023,321	2.64
	254,252,555	262,983,793	8.46
Less: Accumulated amortization			
Advertising agency agreement	51,286,536	57,341,459	
License agreements with SINA	39,377,764	43,881,281	
Exclusive rights with Baidu	43,034,803	54,096,827	
Customer relationship	7,530,732	8,424,820	
Database license	5,126,472	6,102,942	
Non-compete agreements	1,645,402	1,575,336	
Computer software licenses	832,038	824,300	
Intangible assets subject to amortization, net	105,418,808	90,736,828	
Total intangible assets, net	105,418,808	90,736,828	

The advertising agency agreement and license agreements with SINA were recognized in connection with the Group s acquisition of COHT in 2009, which allows the Group to operate SINA s existing real estate and home furnishing related channels and have the exclusive right to sell advertising relating to real estate, home furnishing and construction materials on these channels as well as SINA s other websites through 2019. If the Group sells advertising on SINA s websites other than above channels, it will pay SINA fees of approximately 15% of the revenues generated from these sales. The acquisition cost was recognized as an intangible asset and amortized over the term of the agreement. In March 2014, the advertising agency agreement and license agreements originally signed between Leju and SINA in 2009 were extended an additional five years to March 2024 for no additional consideration. All other terms of the agreements remain the same.

In 2011, the Group purchased exclusive rights from Baidu, Inc (Baidu) which allow it to sell Baidus real estate related Brand Link product, which is a form of keyword advertising, and to use and operate Baidus exclusive real estate-related web channel for \$47,612,100 through August 2014. In October 2013, the Group extended these rights with Baidu to March 2015, without paying additional consideration. The payment schedule of the remaining liability for exclusive rights was also deferred through the extension period. The fair value of \$43,847,992 was recognized in 2011 and calculated by discounting the future cash payments to be made from 2012 to 2014. The difference between the fair value and the principal amount of \$3,764,108 is being amortized using the effective interest method over the term of the exclusive rights and amounted to \$935,177, \$52,922 and nil for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. In April 2015, the Group extended these rights with Baidu from April to December 2015, with additional payment of \$12,023,475 (RMB75,000,000). The Group paid \$15,347,915, \$9,004,710 and \$12,023,475 in connection with the exclusive rights in 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

Amortization expenses were \$35,321,801, \$23,088,327 and \$26,653,571 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. The Group expects to record amortization expenses of \$12,416,185, \$12,202,249, \$11,304,846, \$10,801,496 and \$10,576,991 for the years ending December 31, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020, respectively.

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6. Goodwill

Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015 are as follows:

	2013 \$	2014 \$	2015 \$
Balance as of January 1	40,215,987	40,610,620	40,563,075
Exchange rate translation	394,633	(47,545)	(755,832)
Balance as of December 31	40,610,620	40,563,075	39,807,243

	As of December 31,		
	2014	2015	
	\$	\$	
Goodwill, gross	458,385,379	457,629,547	
Accumulated impairment charge	(417,822,304)	(417,822,304)	
Goodwill, net	40,563,075	39,807,243	

The Group utilized the income approach valuation method (Level 3) to compute the fair value of the Group. The key assumptions used in the income approach, which requires significant management judgment, include forecasted cash flows which consider the historical financial trends, business growth rate and market share, as well as terminal value and discount rate. Significant increases in discount rate or decrease in terminal value in isolation would result in a significantly lower fair value measurement.

Based on the impairment tests performed, there was no goodwill impairment charged for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

7. Dividends

In March 2015, the Company s board of directors approved the payment of a cash dividend of \$0.20 per ordinary share (\$0.20 per ADS) directly from the additional paid-in capital account, for a total of \$26,873,022, which was paid in May 2015 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on April 10, 2015.

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8. Other Income (Loss), Net

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2013	2014	2015
	\$	\$	\$
Amortized discounts related to liability for			
exclusive rights	(935,177)	(52,922)	
Foreign exchange (loss) gain	(249,944)	88,721	156,641
Others			133,398
Total	(1,185,121)	35,799	290,039

9. Income Tax

The following table summarizes Income (loss) before income taxes incurred in the PRC and outside of the PRC:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2013	2014	2015
	\$	\$	\$
Income (loss) before income taxes:			
PRC	91,779,478	111,905,366	70,382,855
Outside of PRC	(45,994,531)	(29,476,625)	(25,041,651)
Total	45,784,947	82,428,741	45,341,204

The expense (benefit) for income taxes is comprised of:

	2013	ear Ended December 31, 2014	2015
	\$	\$	\$
Current Tax			
PRC	21,147,165	17,905,374	17,990,790
Outside of PRC		10,072	17,425
	21,147,165	17,915,446	18,008,215
Deferred Tax			
PRC	(18,081,440)	(2,369,482)	(7,700,893)
Outside of PRC			
	(18,081,440)	(2,369,482)	(7,700,893)
Income tax expense	3,065,725	15,545,964	10,307,322

The Company is incorporated in the Cayman Islands, which is exempted from tax.

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Enterprise Income Tax Law in China applies a statutory 25% enterprise income tax rate to both foreign invested enterprises and domestic enterprises.

Shanghai SINA Leju was granted status as a high and new technology enterprise and was entitled to enjoy a favorable statutory tax rate of 15% from 2013 through 2014. Shanghai SINA Leju renewed its qualification of high and new technology enterprise in 2015 and was entitled to enjoy a favorable statutory tax rate of 15% from 2015 through 2017.

In February 2012, Shanghai Fangxin information technology Co., Ltd., the Group s subsidiary in China, was granted software enterprise status, which exempted it from income taxes for 2012 and 2013 and provided a 50% reduction in its income tax rate, or a rate of 12.5%, from 2014 through 2016.

The Group s subsidiaries in Hong Kong are subject to a profit tax at the rate of 16.5% on assessable profit determined under relevant Hong Kong tax regulations. The Company s subsidiaries incorporated in the BVI are not subject to taxation.

The Group does not have uncertain tax positions in accordance with ASC740-10, nor does it anticipate any significant increase to its liability for unrecognized tax benefit within next 12 months. The Group will classify interest and penalties related to income tax matters, if any, in income tax expense.

According to the PRC Tax Administration and Collection Law, the statute of limitations is three years if the underpayment of taxes is due to tax authority s mistake or due to computational errors made by the taxpayer. The statute of limitations will be extended to five years under special circumstances, which are not clearly defined, but an underpayment of tax liability exceeding RMB100,000 (\$15,400) is specifically listed as a special circumstance. In the case of a transfer pricing related adjustment, the statute of limitations is 10 years. There is no statute of limitations in the case of tax evasion.

The principal components of the deferred income tax assets/liabilities are as follows:

	As of December 31,	
	2014	2015
	\$	\$
Deferred tax assets:		
Accrued salary expenses	11,991,920	11,248,353
Bad debt provision	3,867,755	6,587,704
Net operating loss carry forwards	3,574,524	3,787,766
Advertising expenses temporarily non-deductible	11,097,262	11,307,976
Other	459,506	492,160
Gross deferred tax assets	30,990,967	33,423,959
Valuation allowance	(957,162)	(654,267)
Total deferred tax assets	30,033,805	32,769,692
Analysis as:		

Current	29,857,574	31,073,758
Non-current	176,231	1,695,934
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Amortization of intangible and other assets	26,041,591	22,997,731
Total deferred tax liabilities	26,041,591	22,997,731
Analysis as:		
Current		
Non-current	26,041,591	22,997,731

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Movement of the valuation allowance is as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2013	2014	2015
	\$)	\$
Balance as of January 1	(831,361)	(1,051,973)	(957,162)
Reverse (additions)	(194,892)		255,264
Write off		90,811	
Changes due to exchange rate translation	(25,720)	4,000	47,631
Balance as of December 31	(1,051,973)	(957,162)	(654,267)

The Group has recognized a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets on tax loss carry forwards of \$194,892, nil and reversed \$255,264 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

The Group assesses the available positive and negative evidence to estimate if sufficient future taxable income will be generated to use the existing deferred tax assets. A significant piece of objective negative evidence evaluated was the cumulative loss incurred over the three year period ended December 31, 2015. Such objective evidence limits the Group s ability to consider other subjective evidence such as our projections for future growth. In 2015, some entities start to gain profit and the valuation allowance was reversed accordingly.

On the basis of this evaluation, as of December 31, 2015, a valuation allowance of \$654,267 was recorded to reflect only the portion of the deferred tax assets that is not more likely than not to be realized. The amount of the deferred tax assets considered realizable, however, could be adjusted if estimates of future taxable income during the carry forwards period are reduced or increased or if objective negative evidence in the form of cumulative losses is no longer present and additional weight may be given to subjective evidence such as our projections for growth. In 2015, the Group has determined that the deferred tax assets of several subsidiaries will be more likely than not utilized in the future and has reversed valuation allowance for the determined tax assets.

Reconciliation between the provision for income tax computed by applying the statutory tax rate to income before income taxes and the actual provision for income taxes is as follows:

	Year	Ended December 31,	
	2013	2014	2015
PRC income tax rate	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%
Share based compensation expenses not deductible for tax			
purposes	3.45%	3.27%	5.17%
Other expenses not deductible for tax purposes	1.12%	0.72%	3.71%
Effect of tax holiday	(19.06)%	(13.69)%	(13.18)%
Effect of different tax rate of subsidiary operation in other			
jurisdiction	0.02%	1.08%	2.05%
Effect of different tax rate of DTA and DTL applied	(4.36)%	2.29%	(2.37)%
Valuation allowance movement	0.42%		(0.56)%
Withholding tax		0.19%	2.91%
Other	0.11%		
	6.70%	18.86%	22.73%

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The aggregate amount and per share effect of the tax holiday are as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2013 \$	2014 \$	2015 \$
The aggregate dollar effect	8,725,381	11,285,429	5,977,806
Per share effect basic	0.07	0.09	0.04
Per share effect diluted	0.07	0.09	0.04

As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, the Group had tax operating loss carry forwards of \$14,298,098 and \$15,151,067, respectively. These tax losses are available for offset against future profits that may be carried forward until calendar year 2019 and 2020, respectively.

Undistributed earnings of the Company s PRC subsidiaries of approximately \$240,339,365 at December 31, 2015 are considered to be indefinitely reinvested and, accordingly, no provision for PRC dividend withholding tax has been provided thereon. Upon distribution of those earnings generated after January 1, 2008, in the form of dividends or otherwise, the Group would be subject to the then applicable PRC tax laws and regulations. The amounts of unrecognized deferred tax liabilities for these earnings are in the range of \$12,016,968 to \$24,033,937, as the withholding tax rate of the profit distribution will be 5% or 10% depending on whether the immediate offshore companies are able to maintain the preferential withholding tax rate of 5%.

Income tax payable balance of the Group represents the actual cash tax payments to be made by the legal entities within the Group. Income tax provision reflected in the Company's consolidated statements of operations is calculated based on a separate return basis as if the Group had filed a separate tax return, which has considered the impact of general corporate expenses allocated from E-House. The difference between the income tax provision on a separate return basis and the tax liability accrued was reflected as deemed distribution to E-House associated with tax liability in the consolidated statements of changes in equity before the IPO. Such difference amounted to \$2,381,799 and \$571,227 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and for the period from January 1, 2014 to the IPO date, respectively.

10. Share-Based Compensation

Leju Plan

In November 2013, the Group adopted a share incentive plan (Leju Plan), which allows the Group to offer a variety of share-based incentive awards to employees, officers, directors and individual consultants who render services to the Group. Under the Leju Plan, the maximum number of shares that may be issued shall be 8% of the total outstanding shares on an as-converted and fully diluted basis as of the effective date of the plan. Options have a ten-year life.

Share Options:

On December 1, 2013, the Company granted 7,192,000 options to purchase its ordinary shares to certain of the Group s employees and E-House s employees at an exercise price of \$4.60 per share. The options expire ten years from the date of grant and vest ratably at each grant date anniversary over a period of three years.

On December 16, 2013, the Company granted 600,000 restricted shares to a director and an E-House employee to replace the same number of options previously granted under the Leju plan, with all other terms unchanged. The purchase price of the restricted shares is \$4.60 per share, which were the exercise prices of the options that were replaced. The modification did not result in any incremental compensation expense. Cash received from the advance payment of the restricted shares are recorded as an amount due to related parties.

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In January, 2014, the Company granted 60,000 restricted shares to an E-House employee to replace the same number of options previously granted under the Leju plan, with all other terms unchanged. The purchase price of the restricted shares is \$4.60 per share, which were the exercise prices of the options that were replaced. The modification did not result in any incremental compensation expense. Cash received from the advance payment of the restricted shares are recorded as an amount due to related parties.

During 2015, the Company granted 2,517,000 options to purchase its ordinary shares to certain of the Group s employees at an exercise prices from \$5.54 to \$9.68 per share, respectively. The options expire ten years from the date of grant and vest ratably at each grant date anniversary over a period of three years.

The Company has used the binomial model to estimate the fair value of the options granted under the Leju Plan. The fair value per option was estimated at the date of grant using the following assumptions:

	2013	2015
Risk-free rate of return	2.98%	2.14%
Contractual life of option	10 years	10 years
Estimated volatility rate	56.74%	62.82%
Dividend yield	0.00%	2.56%

A summary of option activity under the Leju Plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 is presented below:

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price \$	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term	Weighted Average Aggregate Intrinsic Value of Options
Outstanding, as of January 1, 2015	6,133,799	4.60	8.92	37,784,202
Granted	2,517,000	6.38		
Exercised	(196,185)	4.60		949,907
Forfeited	(390,896)	5.26		
Outstanding, as of December 31, 2015	8,063,718	5.12	8.50	4,806,104
Vested and expected to vest as of December 31, 2015	7,824,106	5.51	8.97	1,663,274
Exercisable as of December 31, 2015	3,635,917	4.60	7.92	4,072,227

The weighted average grant-date fair value of the options granted in December 2013 was \$2.21 and \$3.44 per share of the options granted in 2015. For the year ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, the Company recorded compensation expenses of \$289,649, \$3,464,140 and \$4,025,809 for the share options granted to the Group s employees and recorded deemed distribution to E-House of \$92,225, \$1,061,412 and \$1,070,383 for the share options granted to E-House s employees, respectively. During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2015, 266,201 and 196,185 options were exercised having a total intrinsic value of \$1,668,693 and \$949,907, respectively.

As of December 31, 2015, there was \$11,525,658 of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested share options granted under the Leju Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.13 years.

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Restricted Shares:

On March 18, 2014, the Company granted 866,000 restricted shares to certain employees, directors and officers, under the terms of each restricted shares, restricted shares vest over three years. On August 21, 2014, the Company granted 229,400 restricted shares to certain employees and officers, under the terms of each restricted shares, restricted shares vest over eight months.

A summary of restricted share activity under the Leju Plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 is presented below:

	Number of Restricted Shares	Weighted Average Grant-date Fair Value \$
Outstanding, as of January 1, 2015	1,526,600	9.42
Granted		
Vested	(719,064)	9.98
Forfeited	(10,200)	16.25
Outstanding, as of December 31, 2015	797,336	8.82

The total fair value of restricted shares vested in 2013, 2014 and 2015 was nil, \$486,200 and \$7,179,455, respectively.

For the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, the Company recorded compensation expenses of \$20,855, \$4,881,656 and \$5,273,322 for the restricted shares granted to the Group s employees and recorded deemed distribution to E-House of \$13,903, \$41,570 and \$41,580 for the share options granted to E-House s employees, respectively.

As of December 31, 2015, there was \$4,384,344 of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested restricted shares granted under the Leju Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.19 years.

Omnigold Plan:

In 2015, the Group s subsidiary, Omnigold Holdings Limited (Omnigold), adopted a share incentive plan (Omnigold Plan), which proposed that (i) the maximum number of shares of Omnigold available for issuance pursuant to all awards under the Ominigold Plan shall initially be 5,000,000 as of the date of the Ominigold Plan was approved and adopted by the Board of Omnigold (the Effective Dare), and (ii) the Ominigold Plan shall be increased automatically by 5% of the then total issued and outstanding shares of Omnigold on an as-converted fully diluted basis on each of the third, sixth and ninth anniversary of the Effective Date.

On August 11, 2015, Omnigold granted 2,400,000 options to purchase its ordinary shares to certain of the Group s employees at an exercise price of \$1.50 per share. The options expire ten years from the date of grant and vest ratably at each grant date anniversary over a period of three years.

The Company has used the binomial model to estimate the fair value of the options granted under the Omnigold Plan. The fair value per option was estimated at the date of grant using the following assumptions:

	2015
Risk-free rate of return	3.33%
Contractual life of option	10 years
Estimated volatility rate	63.69%
Dividend yield	0.00%
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A summary of option activity under the Omnigold Plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 is presented below:

	Number of Options	Exercise Price	Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value of Options
Outstanding, as of January 1, 2015				
Granted	2,400,000	1.50	10.00	
Exercised				
Forfeited	(130,000)	1.50		
Outstanding, as of December 31, 2015	2,270,000	1.50	9.61	
Vested and expected to vest as of December 31, 2015	1,966,771	1.50	9.61	
Exercisable as of December 31, 2015				

The grant-date fair value of the options granted in August, 2015 was \$0.30 per share. For the year ended December 31, 2015, the Company recorded compensation expenses of \$80,577.

As of December 31, 2015, there was \$545,884 of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested share options granted under the Omnigold Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.61 years.

E-House s Share Incentive Plan (the E-House Plan)

In 2006, E-House Holdings adopted the E-House Plan, which allows E-House Holdings to offer a variety of share-based incentive awards to employees, officers, directors and individual consultants who render services to E-house. Under the E-House Plan, E-House Holdings authorized 3,636,364 ordinary shares, or 5% of the then total shares outstanding, to grant as options or restricted shares over a three-year period. In October 2010, E-House Holdings authorized an increase of 4,013,619 ordinary shares to the award pool. In November 2012, E-House Holdings further authorized an increase of 1,273,000 ordinary shares to the award pool. In August, 2013, E-House Holdings authorized an increase of 6,644,659 ordinary shares to the award pool. Options have a ten-year life. Share options granted under the E-House Plan can be settled by the employee either by cash or net settled by shares.

Share Options:

A summary of option activity under the E-House Plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 is presented below:

Number of	Weighted	Weighted	Weighted
Options	Average	Average	Average
·	Exercise Price	Remaining	Aggregate
		Contractual	Intrinsic

			Term	Value of Options
Outstanding, as of January 1, 2015	9,476,704	4.52		25,776,635
Exercised	(513,261)	1.86		1,745,007
Forfeited	(7,160)	4.74		
Outstanding, as of December 31, 2015	8,956,283	4.67	4.80	14,509,178
Vested and expected to vest as of December 31, 2015	8,956,283	4.67	4.80	14,509,178
Exercisable as of December 31, 2015	8,956,283	4.67	4.80	14,509,178

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E-House Holdings recorded compensation expense of \$12,817,935, \$5,950,940 and nil for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively. During the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, 4,596,761, 3,446,585 and 513,261 options were exercised having a total intrinsic value of \$25,248,554, \$23,679,729 and \$1,745,007, respectively.

As of December 31, 2015, there is no unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested share options granted under the E-House Plan.

Restricted Shares:

E-House Holdings granted 1,303,000, 1,439,000 and nil restricted shares to certain employees, directors and officers in 2013, 2014 and 2015 respectively. Under the terms of each restricted shares, restricted shares vest over three years.

A summary of restricted share activity under the E-House Plan during the year ended December 31, 2015 is presented below:

	Number of Restricted Shares	Weighted Average Grant-date Fair Value \$
Unvested as of January 1, 2015	2,697,049	8.50
Granted		
Vested	(1,288,330)	7.69
Forfeited	(50,004)	7.90
Unvested as of December 31, 2015	1,358,715	8.50

The total fair value of restricted shares vested in 2013, 2014 and 2015 was \$5,612,379, \$6,094,602 and \$9,909,868, respectively.

As of December 31, 2015, there was \$11,558,404 of total unrecognized compensation expense related to restricted shares granted under the E-House Plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.53 years.

E-House Holdings recorded compensation expense of \$5,668,460, \$6,174,583 and \$9,680,385, for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2014 and 2015, respectively, related to restricted shares.

Share-based compensation expenses under E-House Plan allocated to the Group

The share-based compensation expense under E-House Plan allocated to the Group was \$6,000,438 and \$572,340 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and the period from January 1, 2014 to the IPO date, respectively. These expenses are part of the selling, general and administrative expenses allocated from E-House, which were waived and have been reflected as capital contributions as of the date such expenses were originally allocated. Subsequent to the IPO, E-House began charging the Group transitional corporate service fees, \$1,857,996 and \$1,066,477 share-based compensation expense under E-House Plan and CRIC Plan were charged to Leju from the IPO date to December 31, 2014 and for the year ended December 31, 2015. (See Note 13)

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Other Equity Compensation

In September 2014, the Group acquired non-controlling interests from certain employee shareholders. The price premium paid over the fair value of the ordinary shares amounting \$4,276,810 was recorded as share-based compensation costs and to be amortized over the required two-year service period (See Note 3). \$534,601 and \$2,138,404 stock compensation expense was recognized for the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2015. As of December 31, 2014 and 2015, there was \$3,742,209 and \$1,603,805 of total unrecognized compensation expense related to this compensation agreement.

11. Employee Benefit Plans

The Group s PRC subsidiaries and VIEs are required by law to contribute a certain percentages of applicable salaries for retirement benefits, medical insurance benefits, housing funds, unemployment and other statutory benefits. The PRC government is directly responsible for the payments of such benefits. The Group contributed \$14,174,182, \$17,727,125, and \$20,413,820 for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively, for such benefits.

12. Distribution of Profits

Relevant PRC statutory laws and regulations permit payment of dividends by the Group s PRC subsidiaries and VIEs only out of their retained earnings, if any, as determined in accordance with PRC accounting standards and regulations. Under PRC law, each of the Group s PRC subsidiaries and VIEs is required to set aside at least 10% of its after-tax profits each year, if any, to fund a statutory reserve until such reserve reaches 50% of its registered capital. Each of the Group s subsidiaries with foreign investment is also required to further set aside a portion of its after-tax profits to fund the employee welfare fund at the discretion of the board. Although the statutory reserves can be used, among other ways, to increase the registered capital and eliminate future losses in excess of retained earnings of the respective companies, the reserve funds are not distributable as cash dividends, loans or advances except in the event of liquidation of these subsidiaries.

The amount of the reserve fund for the Group as of December 31, 2014 and 2015 was \$7,251,948 and \$7,990,298 respectively.

As a result of these PRC laws and regulations, the Group s PRC subsidiaries and VIEs are restricted in their ability to transfer a portion of their net assets, including general reserve and registered capital, either in the form of dividends, loans or advances. Such restricted portion amounted to \$33,040,488 and \$33,778,838, of which \$8,349,188 and \$8,342,759 was attributed to general reserve and registered capital of the VIEs, as of December 31, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

13. Segment Information

The Group operates and manages its business as a single segment. The Group uses the management approach to determine operating segments. The management approach considers the internal organization and reporting used by the Group s chief operating decision maker (CODM) for making decisions, allocating resources and assessing performance. The Group s CODM has been identified as the chief executive officer, who reviews the consolidated results of the Group as a whole when making decisions about allocating resources and assessing performance.

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The following table summarizes the revenue information of the Group:

	Y	Year Ended December 31,		
	2013	2014	2015	
	\$	\$	\$	
E-commerce	170,204,545	326,679,871	420,552,177	
Online advertising	145,444,790	155,049,818	134,229,255	
Listing	19,772,181	14,293,184	21,022,504	
	335.421.516	496.022.873	575,803,936	

Geographic

Substantially all of the Group s revenues from external customers and long-lived assets are located in the PRC.

Major customers

There were no customers from whom revenue accounted for 10% or more of total revenue for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

Details of the accounts receivable from customers accounting for 10% or more of total net accounts receivable are as follows:

	As of Decemb	As of December 31,	
	2014	2015	
	\$	\$	
Customer A	13,979,270	14,011,827	

14. Related Party Balances and Transactions

The table below sets forth major related parties and their relationships with the Group:

Company Name	Relationship with the Group
E-House	Under the common control of E-House Holdings
SINA	Mr. Charles Chao, co-chairman of E-House, is SINA s chairman and chief executive officer

Beijing China Real Estate Research Association
Technology Ltd. (CRERAT)

Mr. Xin Zhou, co-chairman and chief executive officer of E-House, is the legal representative of CRERAT, and E-House owns 51% of CRERAT

These consolidated financial statements include transactions with E-House and its subsidiaries. Furthermore, E-House provided certain corporate services for the consolidated financial statement periods presented (see Note 1).

During the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, E-House loaned \$1,000, nil and nil respectively, to fund capital injections into the Group s PRC subsidiaries. Such amounts have been waived by E-House and have been reflected as capital contributions as of the date such loans were originally made.

During the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, significant related party transactions were as follows:

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	2013 \$	Year Ended December 31, 2014 \$	2015 \$
Corporate expenses allocated from E-House	15,527,623	2,857,251	
Corporate service provided by E-House under transitional			
service agreement		10,399,978	6,040,071
Online advertising agency fee recognized as cost of revenues			
purchased from SINA	6,033,036	6,630,010	6,093,974
Services purchased from/rental paid to E-House	949,584	1,191,469	5,927,764
Online advertising services provided to CRERAT			3,174
Online advertising services provided to E-House	10,614	160,238	28,679
Online advertising services provided to SINA			19,899
Dividend declared and paid to E-House			18,738,984

The transactions are measured at the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties, which approximate amounts charged to third parties.

As at December 31, 2014 and 2015, amounts due from related parties were \$684 and \$8,906 respectively, which were the cash paid to supplier on behalf of CRERAT for the purchase of marketing services.

As at December 31, 2014 and 2015, amounts due to related parties were comprised of the following:

	As of December 31,	
	2014	2015
ODIA W	\$	\$
SINA (1)	1,705,208	1,418,096
E-House (2)	1,560,283	7,783,911
Management (3)	1,840,000	920,000
E-House Management (3)	184,000	92,000
Total	5,289,491	10,214,007

⁽¹⁾ The amount due to SINA as of December 31, 2014 and 2015 represents online advertising agency fees payable to SINA.

The amount due to E-House as of December 31, 2015 was primarily for corporate service fees charged to Leju, and partially offset by the amount due to online services provided to E-House and revenues collected by E-House on behalf. The balance is interest free and settable on demand.

The amount due to management/ E-House management represents consideration paid by management/ E-House management for unvested restricted shares (see Note 10).

The rollforward of the payable (receivable) balance with E-House for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015 is as follows:

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		Year Ended December 31,		
		2013 \$	2014 \$	2015 \$
Balance at January 1		79,553,723	(3,471,958)	1,560,283
Refund loan to E-House for working capital	Α	(43,818,894)		(42,513,286)
Loans from E-House for capital contribution	В	1,000		
Dividend declared to E-House	C			18,738,984
Dividend paid to E-House	D			(18,738,984)
Corporate expenses allocated from E-House				
(Note 1)	В	15,527,623	2,857,251	
Corporate service provided by E-House under				
transitional service agreement (Note 1)	E		10,399,978	6,040,071
Revenues collected by E-House on behalf of the				
Company	F	(45,449,972)	(4,803,958)	
Related party balance waived as capital				
contribution	В	(15,528,623)	(2,857,251)	
Service provided to E-House	Е	(10,614)	(160,238)	(28,679)
Service purchased from E-House	E	949,584	1,191,469	5,927,764
Net (payment) receipt for services	G	5,304,215	(1,595,010)	36,797,758
Balance at December 31		(3,471,958)	1,560,283	7,783,911

⁽A) Represents the movement of the loan payable to E-House

- (B) Represents the movement of the loans from E-House for capital contributions and headquarter expenses allocated by E-House prior to Leju s initial public offering, which were subsequently 100% waived by E-House and recorded as capital contributions by Leju. Accordingly, the net balance at each year end is zero.
- (C) Represent the cash dividend declared by Leju to its shareholder E-house. In March 2015, the Company s board of directors approved the payment of a cash dividend of \$0.20 per ordinary share (\$0.20 per ADS) directly from the additional paid-in capital account.
- (D) Represent the cash dividend paid to E-House.
- (E) Represents the movement of service fees receivable from and payable to E-House
- (F) Represents Leju revenues collected by E-House on behalf of the Company
- (G) Represents the cash flow between the Company and E-House except to the loan from (refund to) E-House

	As of December 31,	
	2014	2015
	\$	\$
Loan payable to E-House (A)	42,513,286	
Service payable to E-House (E)	9,852,476	16,440,049
Receivables for E-House collection on behalf of the Company (F)	(50,805,479)	(8,656,138)
Amounts due to E-House	1,560,283	7,783,911

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15. Commitments and Contingencies

(a) Operating lease commitments

The Group has operating lease agreements principally for its office properties in the PRC. Such leases have remaining terms ranging from one to 120 months and are renewable upon negotiation. Rental expenses were \$7,669,866, \$8,601,039 and \$10,078,033, for the years ended December 31, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancelable operating lease agreements at December 31, 2015 were as follows:

Year Ended December 31	Amount
	\$
2016	9,446,098
2017	8,059,931
2018	3,787,386
2019	974,745
2020	713,510
Then thereafter	1,035,233
Total	24,016,903

(b) Contingencies

The Group is subject to claims and legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of its business. Each of these matters is subject to various uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these matters may be decided unfavorably to the Group. The Group does not believe that any of these matters will have a material effect on its business, assets or operations.

16. Subsequent Events

No significant subsequent events have occured as of April 22, 2016.