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Awarding ceremony for winners of KASE sponsored retail investor competition took place on December 25

On December 25, 2013 Kazakhstan Stock Exchange (KASE) conducted a ceremony to award the winners of the KASE sponsored competition among retail investors (hereinafter – the Competition).

The competition conducted by KASE from November 20 to December 19, 2013 to mark KASE's 20th anniversary was aimed at popularization of exchange trading in Kazakhstan. Private clients of brokerage firms – KASE members – were invited to take part in the Competition.

During the competition its participants had to conclude sale-purchase deals in shares from KASE Index representative list in the real trade mode. Each participant had to conclude at least two purchase-sale deals in KASE trading system.

The competition saw the participation of 94 retail investors, the clients of nine brokerage firms – KASE members. In the course of the competition its participants concluded more than 360 deals worth over KZT381 mln, which made 27 % of the total number of deals in shares from KASE Index representative list concluded in the same period in KASE trading system (or 9.7 % of the total volume of deals in the said shares). The winners are the following three participants who reached the most final yield according to Competition terms:

- first place – Klara Ermekova, client of Brokerage house "JAZZ CAPITAL" (yield – 3.79 % or more than 46 % p.a.);
- second place – Galina Kasymbekova, client of Brokerage house "JAZZ CAPITAL" (yield – 2.76 % or more than 33 % p.a.);
- third place – Erkin Alzhanov, client of ASYL-INVEST (yield – 2.51 % or more than 30 % p.a.).

KASE awarded the winners with valuable prizes – a tablet PC, a smartphone and a notebook, respectively.

The winner in nomination "The most active brokerage firm" is Freedom Finance which attracted 47 clients of theirs to the competition.

The Competition was organized with support from Freedom Finance, ASYL-INVEST, Brokerage house "JAZZ CAPITAL", Centras Securities, CAIFC INVESTMENT GROUP, Halyk Finance – subsidiary organization of Halyk Savings Bank of Kazakhstan, BCC Invest – subsidiary organization of Bank CenterCredit, BTA Securities – subsidiary organization of joint-stock company BTA Bank, Kazkommerts Securities (subsidiary organization of Kazkommertsbank).

Information partners of the Competition – Kazakhstan press-club, analytical magazine "Securities market of Kazakhstan".

For reference

The Competition on KASE was the second one the Exchange scheduled for 2013 to promote exchange trading and securities market among local retail investors. In addition to the mentioned event, KASE as part of its information and educational activities in 2013 for the second time conducted (the first one – in 2012) a Day of Open Doors of the Financial Market, representing a series of free education blitz-workshops on the subject of stock market for prospective and existing retail investors.

KASE is the sole exchange in Kazakhstan which operates the financial market. This is a universal floor where repo market instruments, foreign currencies, government and corporate securities of local and foreign issuers, bonds of international financial institutions are traded.

Over 10 months of 2013 the total volume of trading on KASE reached an equivalent of USD164.2 bn, including USD431 mln on the shares market. Capitalization of KASE-operated share market as of November 1, 2013 was estimated at USD31.8 bn.