

KAZAKHSTAN STOCK EXCHANGE

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KASE held ceremony of launching education project among students "Exchange Simulator"

On March 28, 2017 Al-Farabi Kazakh National University hosted the official opening of the project "Exchange Simulator", organized by Kazakhstan Stock Exchange (Exchange, or KASE) and Information agency of financial markets "IRBIS". The project is launched already for the ninth year in a row and this year its beginning was aligned with the Global Money Week, an initiative for improving the financial literacy among children and youth

In 2017 the project is implemented with support from Almaty Akimdik (Mayor's Office). The general sponsor – Bank of Astana, general partner – Freedom Finance. Partners of the project are Tsessna Capital, Kazkom Securities and Centras Securities.

The project's purpose is increasing the financial literacy of young specialists and their acquiring of practical skill of operating on the stock market.

"Kazakhstan Stock Exchange has been actively promoting financial literacy and awareness of Kazakhstan's stock market over the past few years. Our employees are conducting meetings with business communities from different regions and organize training sessions on courting investors for listed companies throughout the year", – points out Kairat Turmagambetov, member of KASE's Management Board.

The project "Exchange simulator" started on July 29, 2008 for the first time. Over 3,000 students took part in the project over the past few years.

This year the number of participants went beyond 1,000.

Training trading on KASE as part of the project "Exchange Simulator" will be opened on March 29, 2017 at 9:00 o'clock ALT. The project will last one month and will be finished on April 26, 2017. The project's prize fund makes up KZT1,000,000. The winners will be determined by the organizers upon trading results. The winners will also be able to undergo training in partner financial organizations.

For reference

Kazakhstan Stock Exchange (KASE) is a leading stock exchange in the Central Asian region and the only exchange in Kazakhstan, carrying out its activities in the financial market. It is a universal trading platform for repo market instruments, foreign currencies, government and corporate securities, bonds of international financial institutions as well as derivatives.

KASE is a member of the World Federation of Exchanges (WFE), the Federation of Euro-Asian Stock Exchanges (FEAS) and other international and local professional associations. In 2015, KASE joined the UN Sustainable Stock Exchanges initiative.

The Exchange Simulator is KASE-operated training trading for students of financial and economics universities conducted in the whole Kazakhstan since 2008. The project enables students of financial and economics universities to take part in the trading in the most liquid shares of Kazakh companies conducted in the training trading system free-of-charge. The trading is conducted in KASE's training trading system based on KASE's real trading system, and all quotations are derived from the real trading to resemble the real market conditions. Students representing 56 universities of Almaty, Astana, Oral, Atyrau, Kyzylorda, Shymkent, Petropavl, Karagandy, Ekibastuz, Kostanai, Rudny, Pavlodar, Aktau, Aktobe and Atyrau took part in the training trading during the project's history.

Global Money Week (GMW) is an international movement for improving the financial literacy among youth and children initiated in 2012 by the international fund for development in the field of finance for children and youth Child & Youth Finance International (CYFI). The movement encompasses 130 countries.

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