

## **KASE NEWS**

- KASE <u>held</u> "KASE Day in Tashkent".
- KASE and CASE sign memorandum of mutual cooperation.
- KASE APPROVES MAY 2023 LISTS OF FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD LIQUIDITY CLASS SECURITIES.
- KASE determines representative list for calculation of KASE Index.
- KASE changes parameters of shares included in the representative list of KASE Index.
- Bank Freedom Finance Kazakhstan JSC was accepted as a member of KASE in categories "stock" and "derivatives".
- Bonds <u>KZ2P00009756</u> (MFRFb6) of Microfinance organization "R-Finance" LLP, bonds <u>KZ2P00008550</u> (MFKMb2) of Microfinance organization "KMF" LLP and five issues of international bonds of the US Department of the Treasury are included in KASE official list.
- The following were excluded from KASE official list: international bonds <a href="XS1807299174">XS1807299174</a>, US48667QAR65 (KMGZe13) of NC KazMunayGas JSC due to their early redemption, international bonds <a href="US912796YW32">US912796YW32</a> (US\_27\_2305) of the US Department of the Treasury and XS1814831563, XS1814863335 (BRKZe9) of Development Bank of Kazakhstan JSC due to the expiration of circulation.
- Trades in international social bonds XS2610164944 (ASDBe15) of Asian Development Bank are opened at KASE.

## **ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan placed on KASE 33.0 mln MEUKAM-72 of issue 14 (<u>KZKD00001210</u>, MUM072\_0014), 51.3 mln MEUKAM-96 of issue 13 (<u>KZKD00001202</u>, MUM096\_0013) and 36.8 mln MEUKAM-180 of the sixth issue (<u>KZKD00000535</u>, MUM180 0006).
- Birinshi Lombard LLP <u>raised</u> KZT400.0 mln on KASE through subscription by placing bonds KZ2P00009277 (MFBLb1) with yield to maturity of 24.00 % APR.
- Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund JSC <u>raised</u> KZT9.3 bn on KASE by placing bonds KZ2C00009462 (KFUSb54) with weighted average yield to maturity of 18.25 % APR.
- Zhaikmunai provides Q1 2023 operational update on NOSTRUM OIL & GAS PLC.
- Zhaikmunai says listing of NOSTRUM OIL & GAS PLC shares was suspended.
- ANNOUNCEMENT: On May 17 Halyk Savings Bank of Kazakhstan will <u>hold</u> conference on announcement of financial results for first quarter of 2023.
- National company QazaqGaz JSC paid dividends on ordinary shares for 2022.
- Centras Securities JSC paid dividends on common shares KZ1C00009562 (CSEC) for 2022.
- KazTransOil JSC transited 10.7 thousand tons of Russian oil to Uzbekistan in the first quarter of 2023.

05.05.2023		Tr	ends (%)
KASE Index	3 599,59	1,1	
First class of liquidity	Price	Δ 70	Δ 1M
Apple Inc.	174,00	3,3	4,7
AltynGold plc	876,99	3,1	11,0
АО "Казахтелеком"	30 922,00	3,1	6,3
АО "Кселл"	1 921,86	2,7	7,6
АО "Народный банк Казахстана"	159,60	2,3	15,6
AT&T Inc.	18,04	2,3	- 7,3
AO Kaspi.kz	37 632,59	1,7	9,4
АО "КазТрансОйл"	759,80	0,6	17,3
AO "KEGOC"	1 627,00	0,6	1,5
АО "Банк ЦентрКредит"	514,99	0,2	11,1
Citigroup Inc.	441,51	-	0,2
АО "Банк ЦентрКредит"	684,90	- 0,0	0,8
АО "НК "КазМунайГаз"	10 100,00	- 0,3	7,4
АО "Казахстанская фондовая биржа"	18 000,00	- 0,4	4,0
AO "KM GOLD"	149,20	- 0,5	1,8
Freedom Holding Corp.	74,20	- 0,9	4,5
АО "БАСТ"	7 998,00	- 1,3	- 1,4
АО "НАК "Казатомпром""	13 258,00	- 1,3	- 0,7
Intel Corporation	31,50	- 1,5	- 4,4
Tesla, Inc.	171,97	- 2,2	- 10,0
Ford Motor Company	13,50	- 4,0	- 0,2
Bank of America Corporation	27,77	- 5,2	- 4,0
AO "ForteBank"	4,34	- 5,2	9,3
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## \*\*KASE Index shares Trading volume, KZT M (←) \*\*KASE Index (→) 8 000 3 800 4 000 3 400 2 000 3 200 0 3 000



The focus of investors last week was the meeting of the US Federal Reserve and the European Central Bank. Both regulators raised the discount rate by 25 points: the FRS – to the range of 5–5.25 %, the ECB – to 3.75 %. Central Bank officials said that perhaps interest rates have reached peak values, however, if necessary, further increases in rates are possible.

Despite the approaching end of the tightening cycle, the markets remained tense throughout the week, as statistics on business activity indexes in the manufacturing sectors of the Eurozone and China indicate a continued reduction in production. Moreover, five more regional US banks have recorded liquidity problems and a sharp drop in share prices. As a result, the leading stock indices showed a slight downward trend last week, with the largest decline observed in the shares of companies in the energy and financial sectors.

At KASE, the influence of negative external factors was smoothed out by expectations of the dividend season. As a result of the week, KASE Index grew by 0.6 %, coming close to the level of 3,600 points. The main drivers of growth were shares of Kazakhtelecom, which added 3.1 %, those of Halyk Bank with an increase of 2.3 %, and those of Kaspi.kz, which grew by 1.7 %. All three companies are waiting at the end of May for the decision of the annual meeting of shareholders on the distribution of net profit.

Meanwhile, the shareholders of KEGOC last week already decided to pay dividends on ordinary shares of the company for the second half of 2022 in the amount of 50.59 tenge per share. Thus, taking into account the previously paid dividends for the first half of 2022, the total amount of dividends paid for 2022 will be 116.03 tenge per ordinary share. Against this background, the price of common shares of KEGOC increased by 0.6 % over the week.

The national company "QazaqGaz", the investment company "Centras Securities" and the confectionery company "LOTTE Rakhat" also announced the payment of dividends.

On the debt market of Kazakhstan Stock Exchange last week "Birinshi Lombard" raised 400 mln tenge through subscription by placing two-year bonds at 24 % per annum. Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund placed one issue of bonds in the amount of 9.3 bn tenge with a yield to maturity of 18.25 % per annum and with a maturity of 3 years. Development Bank of Kazakhstan announced the planned redemption of its international bonds in the amount of 100 bn tenge.

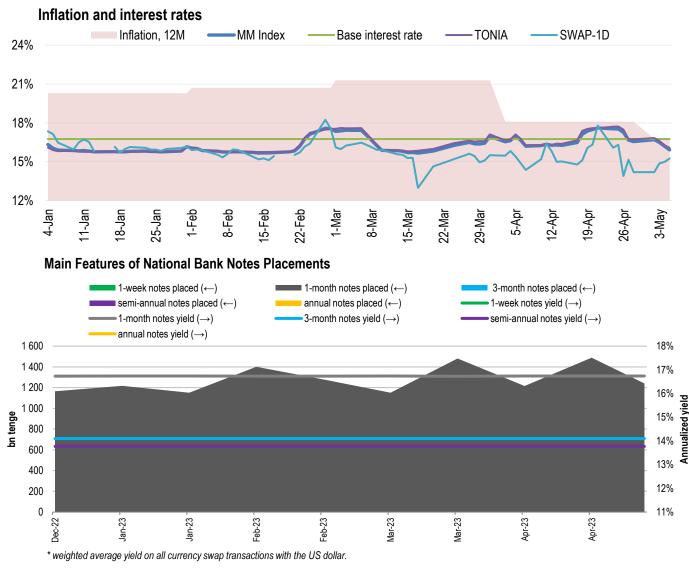
Coupon interest on their bonds last week was paid by Development Bank of Kazakhstan, Bank CenterCredit and other issuers.

Publication of the annual audited financial statements of companies whose bonds are on KASE official list continues. According to these documents, the net profit of Jusan Bank for 2022 increased 2.3 times to 111.6 bn tenge, while the net profit of Home Credit Bank decreased by 45 % to 17.4 bn tenge.

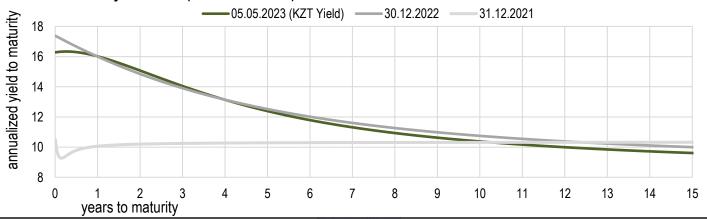
Since the beginning of May, on the government securities market, the Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan has placed on KASE three issues of treasury bills for a total of KZT109.8 bn with a maturity of 4 to 7 years and a yield to maturity of 14 % per annum.

The "Government securities" sector of KASE official list includes five issues of international bonds of the US Department of the Treasury with a maturity of not more than one year.

Last week, on the money market, the overnight repo interest rate TONIA, as expected for the beginning of the month, corrected, falling over the week from 16.7 % to 16.06 % per annum. By the way, inflation in Kazakhstan in April slowed down to 16.8 % per annum. The yield of one-day currency swap transactions in US dollars increased in early May from 14.2 % to 15.26 % per annum.



Risk-free yield curve (non-indexed GS)



As a result of April, the tenge depreciated by 0.1 %, to 453.21 tenge per US dollar. The average daily volume of trading on Kazakhstan Stock Exchange fell from \$164 mln to \$152 mln over the month. The total trading volume was \$3 bn.

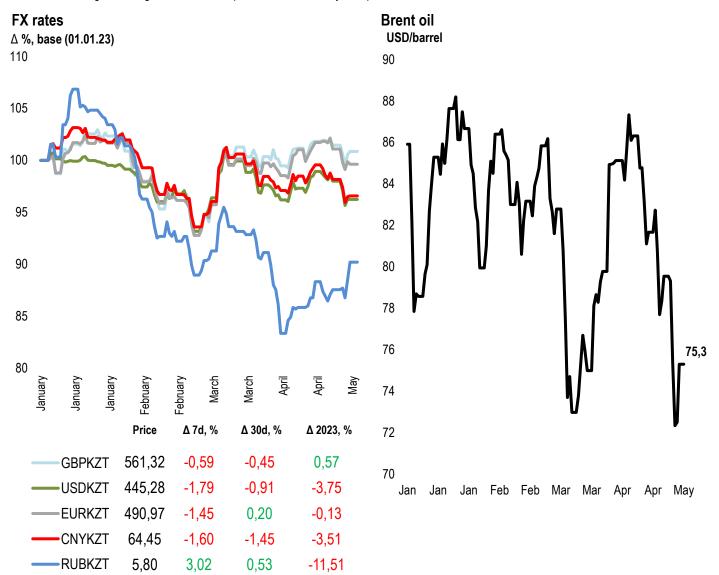
Sales of foreign exchange earnings by entities of the quasi-public sector during the past month amounted to about 295 mln US dollars. Quasi-public sector companies independently carry out sales on the foreign exchange market through second-tier banks.

Sales of foreign currency to ensure transfers from the National Fund to the republican budget in April amounted to 600 mln US dollars. The share of sales from the National Fund amounted to 20 % of the total trading volume and no more than 30 mln US dollars per day. When carrying out operations with the funds of the National Fund, the National Bank observes the principle of market neutrality. This implies regular and uniform sales of foreign currency. This practice allows minimizing the impact of the National Fund's operations on the foreign exchange market.

In order to maintain the foreign exchange share of pension assets of the UAPF at the level of 30 %, in April the National Bank continued to purchase foreign currency at exchange auctions. Their total amount was 240 mln US dollars or about 8 % of the total market volume.

The National Bank did not carry out foreign exchange interventions in April.

In May, the actual volume of sales from the National Fund will depend on the applications of the Ministry of Finance for the allocation of transfers to the republican budget. Based on the available forecast guidelines of the Ministry of Finance on the amount of necessary transfers, the National Bank plans to sell foreign currency from the National Fund in May in the amount of 750 to 800 mln US dollars. The purchase of foreign currency to maintain the foreign exchange share of UAPF pension assets in May is expected in the amount of 200 mln US dollars to 250 mln US dollars.



Note: The chart and the table are based on the official market rates of the NBK. NBK rates may differ from KASE rates.



Global indices						Commodities mark	et			May 5, 2023
Name	Value -		Tre	nd %	I % Futures	Nama	Price	Tre	nd %	
name	value –	7D	1M	1Y	7D	Name	Plice	7D	1M	1Y
S&P 500	4 136,25	-0,8	1,1	-0,3	-0,9	Oil (Brent)	75,30	-5,3	-11,4	-32,1
Dow Jones	33 674,38	-1,2	0,6	2,0	-1,3	Oil (WTI)	71,34	-7,1	-11,5	-34,1
RTS	1 033,68	0,0	4,7	-7,7	-1,1	Natural gas	2,14	•	-0,8	-75,7
MICEX	2 285,53	0,0	0,0	0,0	-1,1	Copper	387,15	0,0	-2,9	-9,6
Ang Seng	20 049,31	0,8	-1,1	-3,6	0,9	Iron	818,00	•	,	-18,6
SS CSI 300	4 016,88	-0,3	-2,1	0,2	-0,3	_	,	•	•	•
Euro Stoxx 50	4 340,43	-0,4	1,0	17,4	0,0	Gold	2 016,79	1,3	-0,2	7,4
FTSEuroFirst	4 904,50	-0,5	1,1	10,0	-0,6	Silver	25,74	3,0	2,8	14,9
₱ FTSE 100	7 778,38	-1,2	1,5	3,7	-1,1	Wheat	647,00	4,4	-5,1	-41,0
KASE	3 599,59	1,1	6,9	22,9						

Calend	lar of economic events	Currency	Forecast	Previous	
10.05	German Consumer Price Index (CPI) (MoM) (Apr)	EUR	0.4 %	0.8 %	
10.05	Core Consumer Price Index (CPI) (MoM) (Apr)	USD	0.4 %	0.4 %	
10.05	Consumer Price Index (CPI) (YoY) (Apr)	USD	5.0 %	5.0 %	
10.05	<u>Crude oil reserves</u>	USD	-0.917M	-1,280M	
11.05	Number of Initial Claims for Unemployment Benefits	USD	245K	242K	
11.05	Producer Price Index (PPI) (MoM) (Apr)	USD	0.3 %	-0.5 %	
12.05	GDP (y/y) (Q1)	GBP	0.2 %	0.6 %	

Note: the calendar contains the most significant economic events of the current week according to KASE analysts opinion

B – billions M – millions K – thousands

Kazakhstan statistics	Value	As of	Previous month
Annual inflation	16,8%	01.05.23	18,1%
Gross international reserves of NBK, USD bn	37,6	01.05.23	36,1
Reserve money, KZT bn	9 854,4	01.05.23	10 284,5
Money supply, KZT bn	33 644,4	01.05.23	33 902,1

Kazakhstan credit ratings	Rating	Date	Previous			
S&P Global	BBB-/A-3 stable	03.03.23	BBB-/A-3 negative			
Moody's	Baa2/stable	11.08.21	Baa3/positive			
Fitch Ratings	BBB/stable	02.12.22	BBB/stable			

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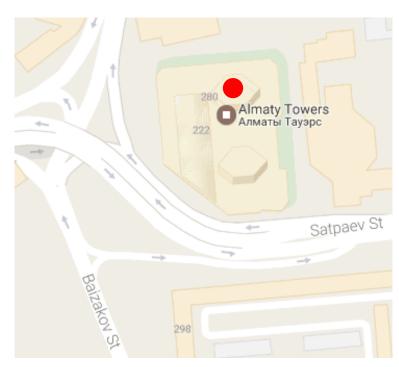
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Corporate Events Calendar of KASE listed Companies



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