

- **KASE NEWS**
- <u>Amendments</u> to KASE's internal documents regulating listing procedures have been put into effect.
- KASE Clearing Center obtains banking license.
- Bonds <u>KZ2C00010023</u> (PRKRb9) of National company Food contract corporation JSC, <u>KZ2P00010036</u> (MFRFb8) of Microfinance organization "R-Finance" LLP, <u>KZ2C00010072</u> (BERKb16) and <u>KZ2C00010080</u> (BERKb17) of Bereke Bank JSC and six issues of international bonds of the US Department of the Treasury are included in KASE official list.
- Bonds <u>KZ2P00007883</u> (MFKMb1) of Microfinance Organization "KMF" LLP, <u>KZ2P00008808</u> (MFOKb7) of MFO OnlineKazFinance JSC and international bonds <u>US912796YH64</u> (US\_25\_2309) of the US Department of the Treasury are excluded from KASE official list due to the expiration of the circulation period.
- Trading in bonds <u>KZ2P00009905</u> (BRBKb1) of BRBAPK LLP, <u>KZ2P00009962</u> (ALSPb1) of Altyn Sapa ALM LLP, <u>KZ2P00009996</u> (EOARb1) of El Orda Arnau LLP and common shares <u>US6745991058</u> (OXY KZ) of Occidental Petroleum Corp. opens on KASE.
- Trade in one-month futures for RUB/KZT exchange rate (RU 10.23) opens on KASE.
- Trading in bonds KZ2P00003874 (FATNb1) and KZ2P00004286 (FATNb2) of Faeton Company LLP has been suspended on KASE.
- Trading in preferred shares KZ1P00014559 (SABRp) of Sinoasia B&R JSC has been resumed on KASE.
  - SkyBridge Invest <u>admitted</u> to currency trading on KASE.
- BCC Invest JSC was assigned the status of market maker on KASE for bonds KZ2D00005949 (NCOMb1) of Fincraft Group LLP.

Teniz Capital Investment Banking JSC was assigned the status of market maker on KASE for common shares US6745991058 (OXY\_KZ) of Occidental Petroleum Corp.

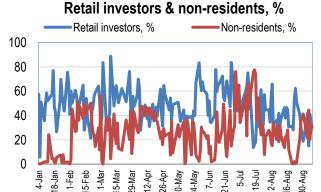
## **ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan placed 16.0 mln MEOKAM-24 of issue 87 (<u>KZK200000745</u>, MOM024\_0087) on KASE, 13.1 mln MEOKAM-60 of issue 52 (<u>KZK200000679</u>, MOM060\_0052) and 22.5 mln MEUKAM-132 of seventh issue (<u>KZKD00001152</u>, MUM132 0007).
- Altyn Sapa ALM LLP raised 1.5 bn tenge on KASE by placing bonds KZ2P00009962 (ALSPb1) at 25.00 % per annum.
- El Orda Arnau LLP raised 2.0 bn tenge on KASE by placing bonds KZ2P00009996 (EOARb1) at 25.00 % per annum.
- Dosjan temir joly JSC repurchased 2.0 mln of its bonds KZ2C00000701 (DTJLb1) in the amount of 2.0 bn tenge on KASE.
- Bereke Bank JSC <u>raised</u> 100.0 bn tenge on KASE through subscription, placing bonds KZ2C00010072 (BERKb16) with a yield to maturity
  of 15.55 % per annum.
- Bereke Bank JSC <u>raised</u> 100.0 bn tenge on KASE through subscription, placing bonds KZ2C00010080 (BERKb17) with a yield to maturity
  of 15.84 % per annum.
- Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund JSC <u>raised</u> 14.5 bn tenge on KASE by placing bonds KZ2C00009447 (KFUSb52) with a weighted average vield to maturity of 14.94 % per annum.
- ForteBank says Fitch Ratings upgraded long-term issuer default rating to BB; outlook Stable.
- Development Bank of Kazakhstan says Fitch Ratings affirmed ratings of the bank; outlook "Stable".
- Kazakhtelecom JSC reports about results of its activities for the first half of 2023.
  - Zhaikmunai announces restart by NOSTRUM OIL & GAS PLC of third gas treatment unit.
- Subsidiary of KazTransOil built water conduit for complex gas treatment unit at Kashagan field.
- KazTransOil's export of Kazakh oil to port of Baku increased 12 times in eight months of 2023.

| 08.09.2023                    |           | 1     | rends (%) |  |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|--|
| KASE Index                    | 3 877,26  |       |           |  |
| First class of liquidity      | Price     | Δ 70  | Δ 1M      |  |
| АО "Банк ЦентрКредит"         | 651.99    | 6.4   | 11.1      |  |
| АО "НК "КазМунайГаз"          | 11 850.00 | 5,8   | 8,4       |  |
| АО "НАК "Казатомпром""        | 14 580.00 | 5.3   | 16.8      |  |
| Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.  | 112,49    | 4,4   | - 2,2     |  |
| Intel Corporation             | 37.99     | 2.7   | 7,7       |  |
| АО "КазТрансОйл"              | 838.50    | 2,7   | 1,6       |  |
| Tesla, Inc.                   | 250.00    | 1.2   | - 1.2     |  |
| АО "Казахтелеком"             | 33 300.00 | 0.9   | - 1,8     |  |
| Bank of America Corporation   | 29.03     | 0,8   | - 6.8     |  |
| АО "Банк ЦентрКредит"         | 694.99    | 0,0   | 1,5       |  |
| АО "Ксепп"                    | 1 990,00  | 0.3   | 4,6       |  |
| AO "KEGOC"                    |           | - 0.0 | 0.6       |  |
| AO "ForteBank"                |           | - 1,1 | - 2,6     |  |
| AT&T Inc.                     | 14.57     | - 1.6 | 2,2       |  |
| Ford Motor Company            | 13.75     | - 1.7 | - 2.1     |  |
| Pfizer Inc.                   |           | - 2,5 |           |  |
| PayPal Holdings Inc.          |           | - 3,5 | - 5.0     |  |
| AO "FACT"                     | 6 670.00  | - 4.0 | - 9.7     |  |
| Apple Inc.                    |           | - 4.2 | - /       |  |
| АО "Народный банк Казахстана" |           | - 4,4 | - 7,5     |  |
| AO Kaspi.kz                   | 44 621,80 | - 4.4 | - 1.2     |  |
| AO "KM GOLD"                  |           | - 4.5 | - 4,1     |  |
| Freedom Holding Corp.         | 92,00     | - 6.1 | 15,0      |  |
| ccas Holding Corp.            | 32,00     | 0, 1  | 10,0      |  |

Note: Index stocks are highlighted in green





Since the beginning of September, KASE Index has added 11 points and closed the first week of the autumn season with another high of 3,877 points.

The main growth driver was the shares of the national company KazMunayGas. The security closed eight sessions of growth in a row, during which it added almost 10 % and reached a price of 11,850 tenge per share. Most likely, the growth factor was Brent quotes, which rose above \$90 per barrel last week amid continued voluntary production cuts by Saudi Arabia and Russia. Oil and gas companies included in the S&P 500 sector gained 4.65 % over the month against the backdrop of rising oil prices.

In second place in terms of growth since the beginning of the month were shares of Kazatomprom, which added 6.0 %. The company has shown strong growth since the end of July against the backdrop of rising uranium prices; its price increased by 12.5 % during this period.

KazMunayGas and Kazatomprom are direct beneficiaries of rising energy prices. However, on the international market, against the backdrop of publications about pro-inflationary statistics, this growth is not causing the best sentiment. According to traders, the probability of raising Fed rates at the next meeting at the end of September has already increased to 60 %.

On the local market, the main limiting factor for the growth of KASE Index this month was shares of representatives of the financial sector. Since the beginning of the month, shares of Halyk Bank and Kaspi immediately lost 6.9 % and 5.8 % in price, respectively. The fall in quotations began after the President of Kazakhstan voiced the need to redistribute banks' excess profits during his annual address. The decline in quotations of the largest players in the financial sector is largely of an emotional nature, since the fundamental factors have not changed. Last week, the international rating agency Standard & Poor's confirmed the sovereign credit rating of Kazakhstan at "BBB-" with a "stable" outlook. According to Standard & Poor's forecasts, economic growth in 2023-2026 will be at the level of 4 %.

Moving on to other companies on KASE Index list, we note that last week Kazakhtelecom disclosed financial statements for the first half of 2023. All consolidated financial indicators of the group showed growth, net profit increased by 16 % - to 58.5 bn tenge. At the same time, the separate net profit of the subsidiary, Kcell, according to published reports for the first half of 2023, decreased by 7.6 %. On September 14, KASE will host an Issuer Day with executives of Kazakhtelecom, which promises to be interesting for two reasons. Firstly, on May 16, representatives of the telecommunications operator announced the expected amount of dividends for 2022 in the amount of 3,038.36 tenge per share. However, at the AGM held on May 30, no decision on payment was made, and they promised to return to the issue of dividends in the second half of this year. Secondly, in July, Minister of Digital Development Bagdat Mussin announced that Kazakhtelecom would sell one of the cellular operators by the end of this year. Currently, Kazakhtelecom owns 100 % of common shares of Tele2/Altel and 51 % of common shares of Kcell.

An extraordinary meeting of KEGOC shareholders will take place on September 15. Judging by the posted materials, the company will have to consider the issue of an additional offering of 15.3 mln shares as part of the SPO.

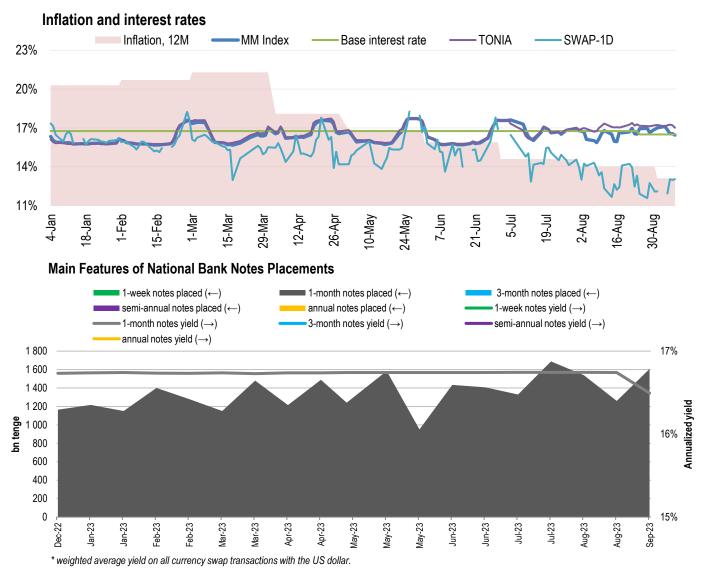
KazTransOil reported on the completion of the construction of the Astrakhan-Mangyshlak main water pipeline, which will provide water supply for the implementation of the first phase of the construction of an associated gas processing plant at the Kashagan field.

On the debt capital market of Kazakhstan Stock Exchange, since the beginning of this month, two construction companies have placed two-year bonds at 25 % per annum: El Orda Arnau LLP raised 2 bn tenge, Altyn Sapa ALM LLP – 1.5 bn tenge. From financial institutions, Bereke Bank raised 400 bn tenge for a year at 16 % per annum. From quasistate companies, Kazakhstan Sustainability Fund raised 15 bn tenge for two years at 12.5 % per annum. In the government securities market, the Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan raised 49.6 bn tenge as part of the additional offering of three issues of bonds for a period of one to nine years with a coupon rate of 10.5 to 16.7 % per annum.

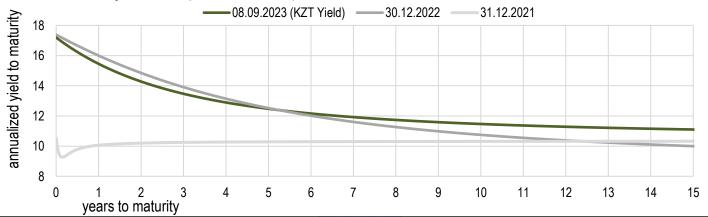
On current bond issues, coupons were paid by microfinance organizations "R-Finance", "aFinance" and "Mogo Kazakhstan" at 19-20 % in tenge and 7.5 % in dollars, the company for the purchase and sale of construction equipment "TSSP Group" - at 20 % per annum, Jusan Bank – at 10 % per annum and Agrarian Credit Corporation – at 10.75 % per annum.

For those interested in investing in the foreign government securities sector, we inform you that last Friday six issues of US government securities with maturities from three months to one year were included in KASE lists.

On KASE money market, the interest rate of the one-day repo TONIA decreased from 17.16 % to 17.02 % per annum, continuing to remain in the upper corridor of the base rate. The yield on one-day currency swap transactions in US dollars increased over the period from 11.92 % to 13.03 % per annum, trading below the base rate corridor.



## Risk-free yield curve (non-indexed GS)

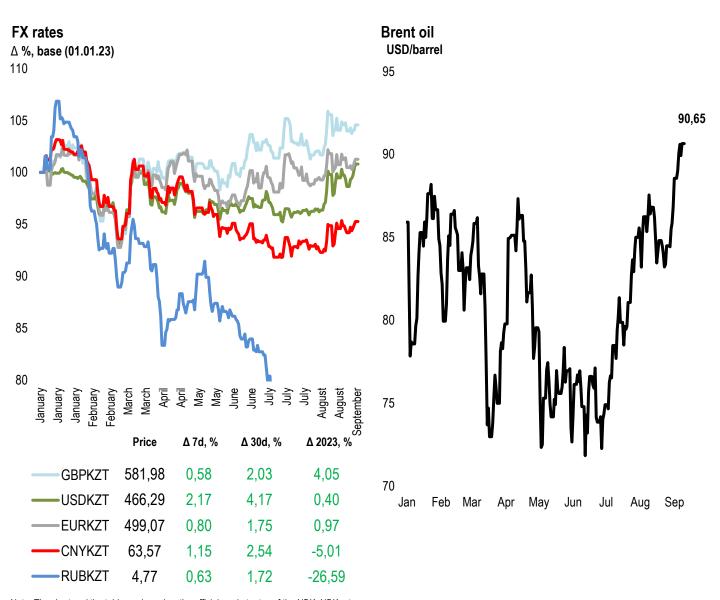


The Monetary Policy Committee of the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan decided to reduce the base rate to 16.5 % per annum with a corridor of +/- 1 p.p. The decision was made based on updated forecasts of the National Bank, data analysis and assessment of the balance of inflation risks.

Pro-inflationary pressure from the external environment continues to gradually weaken. Inflation in most countries is slowing down as a result of central bank policy to ensure price stability, but remains stable, leading to a shift in the timing of rate cuts in developed countries. Prices on world food markets, as well as logistics costs, are declining.

Pro-inflationary pressure remains inside the economy from expanding fiscal stimulus, strong domestic demand, high and unstable inflationary expectations, and rising production costs. The indirect effect from the increase in the cost of fuel and lubricants manifests itself at a moderate pace, partly offset by the dynamics of the tenge exchange rate.

As a result, the total balance of risks due to some easing of pressure from external factors remains in a slightly disinflationary zone. With a further slowdown in actual inflation and its stable part, the policy of a smooth and prudent reduction in the base rate will continue. At the same time, room for reduction is limited by the risks of a potential acceleration of fiscal stimulus in the second half of the year.



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 market   |          |         | Sentemb | per 8, 2023 |
|----------------|-----------|------|------|-------|---------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Name           | Value –   |      | Tre  | end % | Futures | - Commodition market | 1        | Trend % |         |             |
| Name           |           | 7D   | 1M   | 1Y    | 7D      | Name                 | Price    |         |         | 11/         |
| S&P 500        | 4 457,49  | -1,3 | -0,2 | 11,3  | -0,2    |                      |          | 7D      | 1M      | <u>1Y</u>   |
| Dow Jones      | 34 576,59 | -0.7 | -1,6 | 8,8   | 0,1     | Oil (Brent)          | 90,65    | 2,4     | 3,5     | 1,7         |
| RTS            | 1 012.40  | -4,1 |      | -18,2 | -4,7    | Oil (WTI)            | 87,51    | 2,3     | 3,7     | 4,8         |
| MICEX          | 2 285,53  | 0,0  | 0,0  | 0,0   | -4,7    | Natural gas          | 2,61     | -5,8    | -12,0   | -67,1       |
| Hang Seng      | 18 202,07 | -1,0 | -5,4 | -3,5  | -0,8    | Copper               | 368,05   | -3,5    | -2,7    | 4,1         |
| SS CSI 300     | 3 739,99  | -1,4 | -5,7 | -7,4  | -1,3    | Iron                 | 907,00   | -1,3    | 2,4     | 17,3        |
| Euro Stoxx 50  | 4 237,19  | -1,1 | -1,9 | 20,6  | -1,1    | Gold                 | 1 919,08 | -1,1    | 0,1     | 12,5        |
| FTSEuroFirst   | 4 799,50  | -0,9 | -1,5 | 13,3  | -0,6    | Silver               | 22,89    | -5,5    | 0,7     | 24,9        |
| # FTSE 100     | 7 478,19  | 0,2  | -1,4 | 3,0   | 0,0     | Wheat                | 567,25   | 0,0     | -10,7   | -30,0       |
| KASE           | 3 877,26  | 0,7  | 2,1  | 23,3  |         | vvileat              | 307,23   | 0,0     | -10,1   | -50,0       |

| Calend | dar of economic events                             | Currency | Forecast | Previous |
|--------|--|----------|----------|----------|
| 05.09  | Interest Rate Decision (Sep)                       | USD      | 4.1 %    | 4.1 %    |
| 06.09  | Interest rate decision                             | USD      | 5.0 %    | 5.0 %    |
| 07.09  | Number of initial claims for unemployment benefits | RUB      | 235K     | 228K     |
| 07.09  | <u>Crude oil reserves</u>                          | USD      |          | -10.584M |
| 08.09  | GDP (q/q) (Q2)                                     | USD      | 1.5 %    | 0.7 %    |
| 08.09  | German Consumer Price Index (CPI) (MoM) (Aug)      | USD      | 0.3 %    | 0.3 %    |
| 08.09  | Index (CPI) (YoY) (Aug)                            | USD      | 5.1 %    | 4.3 %    |

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

B - billions M - millions K - thousands

| Value    | As of                    | Previous month                                      |
|----------|--------------------------|---|
| 13,1%    | 01.08.23                 | 14,6%   |
| 34,2     | 01.08.23                 | 34,5  |
| 9 587,0  | 01.08.23                 | 10 440,8  |
| 34 215,8 | 01.08.23                 | 34 713,6  |
|          | 13,1%<br>34,2<br>9 587,0 | 13,1% 01.08.23<br>34,2 01.08.23<br>9 587,0 01.08.23 |

| 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      | 26.05.23 | BBB/stable        |
|                           |                 |          |                   |

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Corporate Events Calendar of KASE listed Companies



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