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Weekly Review
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OVERVIEW OF THE TASHKENT STOCK EXCHNAGE

Ticker	Sectors	Sum, UZS	Num. of deals	Closing price, UZS	Change. %	% of turnover
EQQU	Construction Materials	93 211 597 792	11	979 568	-15,41%	57,34%
IPKY	Bank	62 477 749 503	44	12	0,00%	38,44%
HKIL3	Leasing	2 000 000 000	1	1 000 000	0,00%	1,23%
TYMK	Fat and oil industry	1 983 005 000	1	2 500	0,00%	1,22%
UZMK	Metallurgy	908 549 384	147	8 680	-0,24%	0,56%
MATA	Service	698 850 990	2	13 500	-24,66%	0,43%
QZSM	Cement	318 662 697	622	3 200	-5,04%	0,20%
BFMT3	Bank	209 628 028	8	1 004 438	0,22%	0,13%
UZMT	Automotive industry	140 839 331	170	70 200	0,29%	0,09%
URTS	Service	118 774 388	157	20 400	-0,49%	0,07%
Others		484 148 391	6 870			0,30%
Total		**162 551 805 503**	**8 033**			**100,00%**

Although the increase in the number-wise activity was minor – 8,033 deals (+8.4%) compared to last week, the volume of trading on the stock exchange was 19 times higher than last week's figures, amounting to 162.5bln UZS. Shares of 73 (+4) issuers were traded this week, the Top-10 provided 99.7% of the stock exchange's total turnover.

The largest to transactions are M&A process related - 57.3% of the total turnover registered with EQQU at a price of 979,568 UZS for 93bln UZS and the next comes IPKY with a 62.5bln UZS transaction at a price of 12 UZS which makes up 38.4% of the total turnover.

Boards of a few companies announced recommended dividends – UZMT at 3,538 UZS per share or 5% yield, MSBU (delisted) 111.61 UZS or 10%, HMKB 0 UZ for ordinary and 1.5 UZS for preferred (1.9%), TRSB 143 UZS (1.5%) for ordinary and 150 UZS (0.2%) for preferred.

SQBN price and volume dynamics



	19.05.2023	Change in 1D, %	Change in 3M, %	Change in 1Y, %
AWACRI	20,47%	0,00%	-3,85%	5,52%
USD/UZS	11 488,1	0,22%	1,29%	3,21%
EUR/UZS	12 429,0	0,11%	3,02%	6,11%
RUB/UZS	143,5	1,18%	-5,64%	-18,09%

Weekly News:

ECONOMICS

- IMF forecasting 4.2% GDP growth in 2023 in the region with growth to 4.5% in 2024;
- ADB to provide $15mln climate resilience loan to Indorama to finance prepayments to farmers;
- Amount of available for rent apartments increased by 40%, according to the research of one of the leading aggregators olx.uz. Other sources confirm the decrease in demand from October last year, when a lot of people relocated from Russia started to return to Russia, moving to other countries or settling down in Tashkent;
- EBRD keeps the 6.5% GDP growth forecast for 2023 and decreased from 7 to 6.5% forecast for 2024;
- EU and French Development Agency to provide 10.2mln EUR grant funding in addition to ongoing 375mln EUR loan to finance green economic development in Uzbekistan;
- Tajikistan is starting the regular seasonal electricity supply to Uzbekistan, which is growing yearly and to reach 1.285bln kWh this year;
- Uzbekistan and China signed 41 agreements for $25bln for 2023-2027;

BUSINESS

- Following the 14% decrease in coal production, Uzbekcoal JSC (UZIR) is to receive an additional $80mln loan to speed up production to comply with the possibly growing demand of the industry, which is forced to convert from gas to coal;
- Uzum launches the food and goods delivery service;
- Mastercard to open representative office in Uzbekistan;
- EBRD to provide $25mln loan to UzPSB JSCB (SQBN);
- ACWA Power to attract $19mln loan from EBRD for the wind-power station project;
- ACWA Power to invest $88mln into the production of green hydrogen with 3k tones capacity;
- OTP Bank plans to close the first stage of the deal to purchase state share in Ipoteka-bank JSCMB (IPTB) within the next two weeks;
- EBRD to finance purchase of 100 electro buses for Samarkand for $49mln in line with Green cities program;
- IFC to help to construct three hospitals in the regions of Uzbekistan under the PPP projects;
- NBU signed 1.18bln RMB loan with China Development Bank;
- EBRD to provide 8mln EUR loan and 1mln EUR grant funding to Uzbekistan Airports JSC to finance the modernization of the airport equipment and machineries;
- Payme revenues in 1Q2023 increased by 74% y-o-y up to $6.49mln;
- Meros Pharm to attract $23mln loan from EBRD to finance working capital and distribution chain development;
- TAQA to invest $1.2bln into the construction of 1.6GW gas power station, while Masdar signed the contracts for solar and wind power projects for $2.6bln with 2.15GW and 0.5GW capacity;

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