

# KASE WEEKLY

February 28 –  
March 05  
2022

## KASE NEWS

- ▲ KASE has [formed](#) lists of securities of the first, second and third liquidity classes for March 2022.
- ▲ The representative list of indexes of KASE\_BM\* series has been [changed](#).
- ▲ LLP Subsidiary organization of Halyk Bank of Kazakhstan "Halyk Finance" JSC was [granted](#) membership of KASE in the "currency" category.
- ▲ Bonds [KZZJ00000094](#) (NSK024\_009) of akimdik of the city of Nur-Sultan included in KASE official list.
- ▲ Common shares [KZ1C00000579](#) (ARAL) of International Airport of Almaty and [KZ1C00001189](#) (SKLK) of ERG Exploration JSC excluded from KASE official list on the initiative of their issuers.
- ▲ Trades in securities of Russian issuers were [suspended](#) on KASE due to restrictions being introduced on transactions with them.
- ▲ Trades in bonds of the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation of three issues were [suspended](#) on KASE, trades in bonds XS0088543193 (RU\_01\_2806) were switched to T+0 mode.
- ▲ 10 securities were [excluded](#) from the Collateral List T+.
- ▲ Securities of Russian issuers are excluded from the List T+ and [transferred](#) to T+0 mode. Trades in bonds [KZ2C00007631](#) (KZIKb35) of Kazakhstan Housing Company JSC were opened at KASE.
- ▲ Halyk Global Markets JSC has been assigned the status of a market-maker on KASE for common shares [KZ00A0LE0S4](#) (HSBK) of Halyk Savings Bank of Kazakhstan JSC. in international bonds of the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine of three issues were [suspended](#) on KASE.
- ▲ Halyk Global Markets JSC was [assigned](#) the status of a market-maker on KASE for common shares of three titles.
- ▲ Freedom Finance JSC [relinquished](#) the status of a market-maker on KASE for common shares RU0009029540 (RU\_SBER) of Sberbank PJSC and RU000A0JP5V6 (RU\_VTBR) of VTB Bank (PJSC).
- ▲ First Heartland Jusan Invest JSC relinquished the status of a market-maker on KASE for bonds CH0246199050 (TMJLe3) of National Company "Kazakhstan Temir Zholy" JSC.

## ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▲ The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan placed on KASE 28.4 mln MEUKAM-180 of issue 16 ([KZKD00001194](#), MUM180\_0016) and 25.0 million MEUKAM-096 of issue 11 ([KZKD00001095](#), MUM096\_0011).
- ▲ The Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan raised 48.2 billion tenge by placing MEUKAM-180 of issue 16 ([KZKD00001194](#), MUM180\_0016) and MEUKAM-096 of issue 11 ([KZKD00001095](#), MUM096\_0011) on KASE.
- ▲ Akimdik of the city of Nur-Sultan raised 19.6 billion tenge on KASE by placing two-year bonds [KZZJ00000094](#) (NSK024\_009).
- ▲ National Company KazMunayGaz JSC [reported](#) production results for 2021.
- ▲ S&P Global Ratings has affirmed Kazakhstan's ratings at "BBB-/A-3" with a Stable outlook.
- ▲ KazTransGas Aimak JSC [informed](#) about the affirmation of ratings of the company and its bonds by Fitch Ratings agency.
- ▲ Development Bank of Kazakhstan JSC [says](#) that Fitch Ratings affirmed the ratings of the bank and its bonds.
- ▲ Otbas Bank JSC says Fitch Ratings [affirmed](#) the bank's ratings.
- ▲ Subsidiary Bank "Alfa-Bank" JSC says Fitch Ratings [downgraded](#) the bank's long-term ratings.
- ▲ Subsidiary Organization VTB Bank (Kazakhstan) [says](#) S&P Global Ratings downgraded the bank's ratings.
- ▲ Kcell JSC [reported](#) financial results for 2021.
- ▲ RG Brands JSC [paid out](#) the first tranche of dividends on common shares KZ1C00000496 (RGBR).
- ▲ RG Brands Kazakhstan LLP [paid](#) the first tranche of dividends to the sole partner.



05.03.2022

		Trends (%)	
<b>KASE Index</b>	3 202,66	-7,3	-8,9
<b>First class of liquidity</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Δ 7D</b>	<b>Δ 1M</b>
Yandex N.V.	20 400,0	27,6	- 32,0
ПАО "Газпром"	1 672,0	9,6	- 13,1
Freedom Holding Corp.	55,6	8,8	- 14,6
ПАО "Ростелеком"	495,0	5,3	- 2,5
AT&T Inc.	23,9	3,0	- 2,4
Pfizer Inc.	47,3	2,9	- 10,5
Intel Corporation	47,6	2,9	- 2,8
Apple Inc.	164,0	0,5	- 6,0
АО "Кселл"	1 733,0	0,0	3,5
АО "Банк ЦентрКредит"	380,0	-	- 3,8
АО "КЕГОС"	1 852,0	- 1,0	- 0,6
ПАО "Новолипецкий металлургичес"	1 381,0	- 2,1	- 1,4
АО "KM GOLD"	1 004,0	- 3,5	- 5,2
ПАО "Сбербанк"	920,0	- 4,7	- 40,1
Ford Motor Company	18,0	- 5,0	- 14,1
АО "КазТрансОйл"	977,0	- 6,5	- 11,0
АО "Национальная атомная компани"	13 079,0	- 6,6	- 10,0
Банк ВТБ (ПАО)	0,1	- 7,1	- 45,8
VTB Bank	0,1	- 7,1	- 45,8
АО Kaspi.kz	28 600,0	- 10,6	- 30,4
АО "Казакхтелеком"	30 985,0	- 11,2	- 10,3
ПАО "Аэрофлот - российские авиал"	313,0	- 12,6	- 20,8
АО "Народный сберегательный бан"	113,0	- 23,7	- 25,1

The past week was characterized by high volatility in all world markets. The values of the leading European indices fell by 5-6% to the minimum annual indicators. American stock markets reacted with a more restrained adjustment of 1-2%. In conditions of demand for less risky assets, the yield of all types of bonds is growing. The US dollar strengthened against most currencies. In the commodity markets, almost all assets have renewed long-term and historical highs, including the price of Brent crude oil, which has come close to \$120 per barrel.

KASE index fell by 7.3% over six trading sessions last week. The value of the index on the basis of trading on Saturday was fixed at 3,202.66 points. The Index was at this level six months ago, in September 2021.

Shares of representatives of the banking sector with double listing on KASE and the London Stock Exchange were under the greatest pressure. Securities of Halyk Bank of Kazakhstan JSC decreased in price by 23.7%, those of Kaspi.kz – by 10.6%.

Halyk Bank of Kazakhstan JSC announced the briefing on annual results on March 15.

Kaspi.kz has already reported an increase in annual net profit to 435 billion tenge on February 28. During a press conference to announce 2021 results, Mikhail Lomtadze, head of Kaspi.kz, noted that the current market capitalization does not properly reflect the company's profitability, in connection with which Kaspi.kz is considering launching a GDR buyback program on the London Stock Exchange.

The share price of Kazatomprom fell by 6.6% over the week. At the same time, during the trading sessions, the price of the company's shares changed in different directions. Within the framework of the plan of the International Energy Agency, an accelerated transition to the use of nuclear energy is one of the priorities. In this regard, the price of uranium exceeded \$51 per pound. The announcement of Kazatomprom's financial results for 2021 is scheduled for March 16.

In conditions of increased volatility and in connection with the introduction of restrictions on transactions and payment of income on securities of Russian issuers, KASE has taken a number of measures. In particular, the market risk parameters for individual securities were increased, some securities were transferred from the T+2 list to the T+0 list for trading with full asset preconditions. At the same time, trading in securities of Russian and Ukrainian issuers was temporarily suspended.

In the exchange market of foreign currencies for five days of March the dollar strengthened against the tenge by 6.9%.

The money market was characterized by fixing the cost of short money at values corresponding to the current base rate, which is 13.5% per annum. As a result of trading on Saturday, the main indicator of the money market – TONIA fixed at the level of 14.16% per annum, having decreased by 31 basis points since the beginning of the week.

The debt market is mastering the levels of profitability of the money market. In the government securities market, during the past week, the Ministry of Finance carried out additional placement of its bonds with a maturity of 6 and 15 years with a yield of 13.2 and 12.9% per annum, respectively. Corporate issuers did not place new issues. The lack of new corporate issues is also a seasonal factor related to the period of preparation of annual reports.

Given the increased volatility in the currency and stock markets, investors are showing increased caution when making new investments. On the KASE Global market, the daily volume fell to 20 million tenge.

Note that all markets of KASE continue to operate normally, demonstrating the level of liquidity within annual averages. All deals made on KASE are executed in accordance with the established rules, which witnesses of the reliability of KASE's central counterparty as a guarantor of fulfillment of obligations.

Meanwhile, two leading rating agencies have already affirmed the sovereign ratings of Kazakhstan at the investment level. Last Friday, S&P affirmed the country's rating at BBB-, and earlier in February, Fitch affirmed the country's rating at BBB.

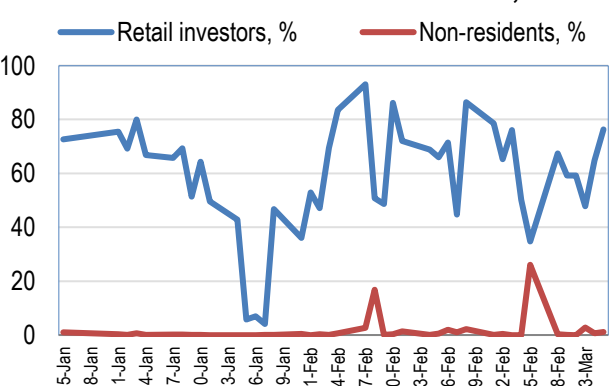
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**KASE Index shares**

Trading volume, KZT M (←)

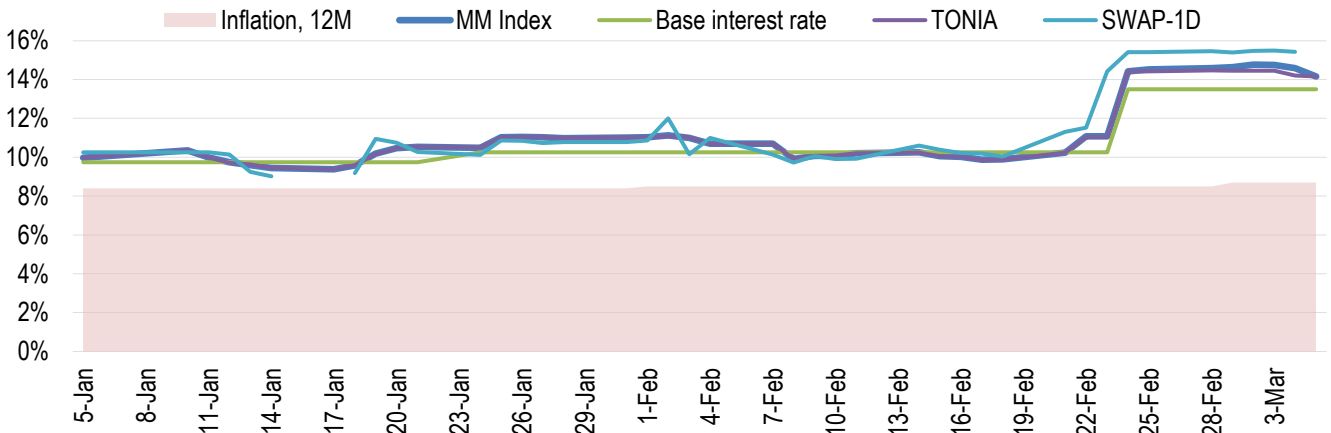


**Retail investors & non-residents, %**

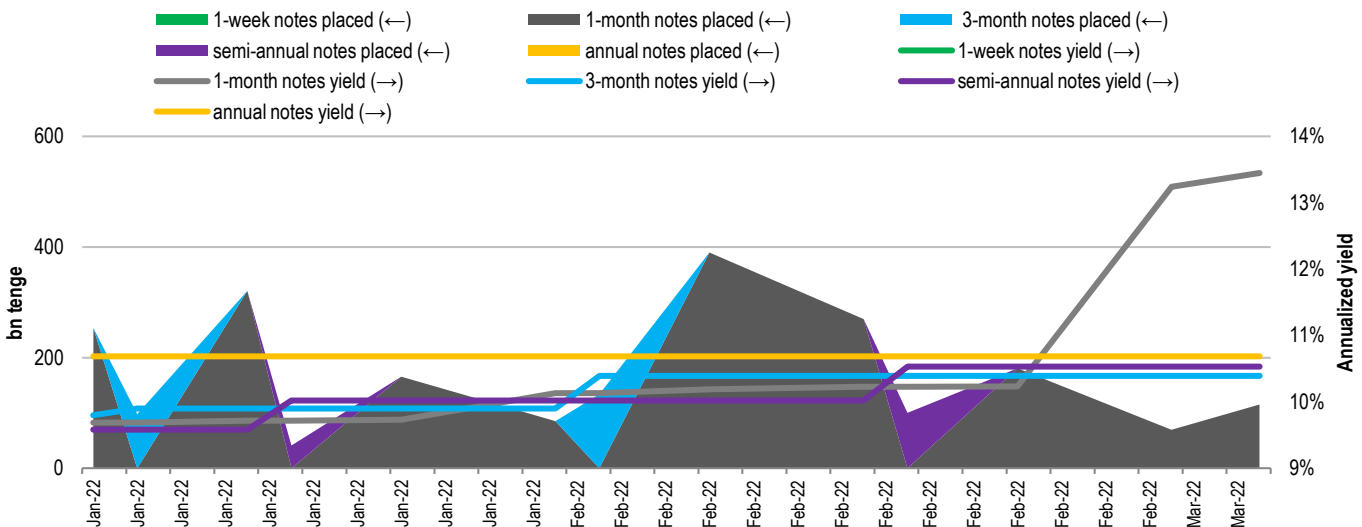


The yield on one-day REPO transactions with government securities (GS) (TONIA) from February 25 to March 5 decreased from 14.58% to 14.16% per annum. The rate of borrowing the tenge secured by US dollars for a period of one day (SWAP-1D (USD)) over the past week increased from 15.41% to 15.43% per annum. The average trading volume in overnight money market instruments amounted to 586 billion tenge.

**Inflation and interest rates**

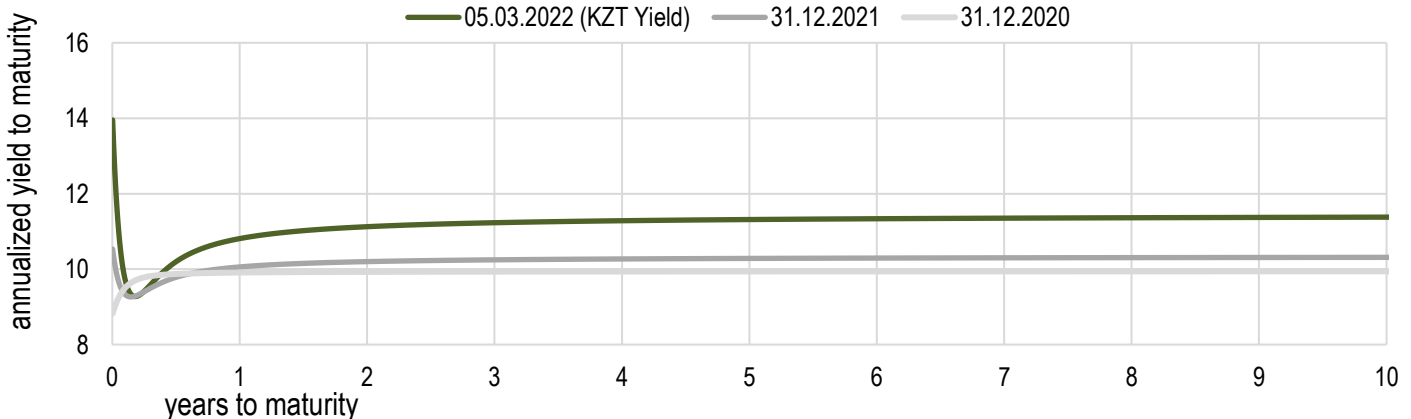


**Main Features of National Bank Notes Placements**



\* weighted average yield on all currency swap transactions with the US dollar.

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





The situation on the global financial markets continues to be extremely unstable. Increased expectations of the inability to quickly resolve the conflict in Europe have a multidirectional effect on commodity, currency and stock markets.

Sanctions against international assets deprived the Central Bank of the Russian Federation of the opportunity to conduct traditional foreign exchange interventions to reduce the volatility of the ruble. As a result, in order to stabilize the exchange rate, the Russian Ministry of Finance obliged resident exporters to sell 80% of foreign exchange earnings on the domestic market. At the same time, the imposed sanctions and the disconnection of Russian banks from the SWIFT divided the ruble foreign exchange market into the domestic market with the participation of residents (Moscow Exchange) and the global market. Quotes vary between them. The market exchange rate of the ruble on the Moscow Exchange, which is traditionally the main benchmark for the ruble, closed yesterday at 105 rubles per US dollar.

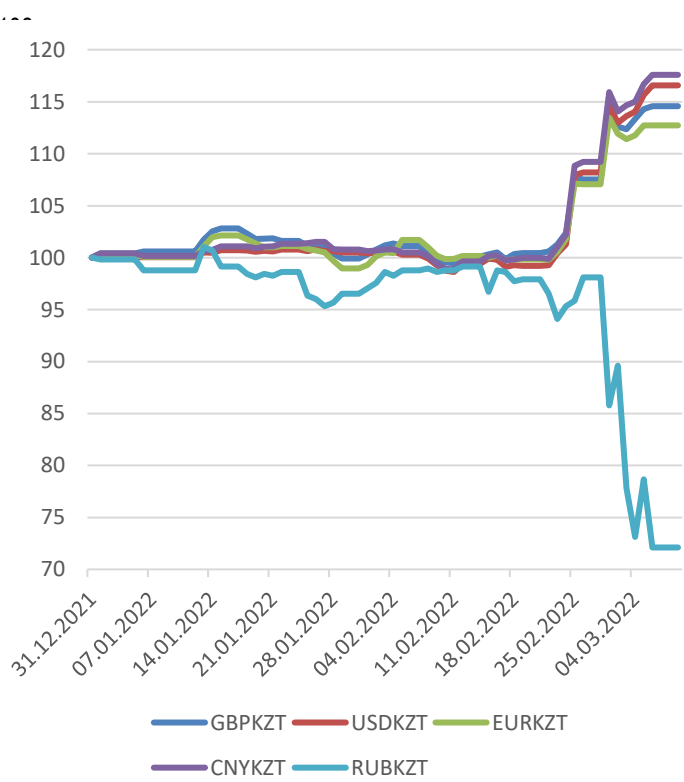
The ruble was characterized by significant volatility and was more subject to market reaction and changes in risk sentiment, and to a lesser extent reflected fundamental factors.

The volatility of the tenge compared to the ruble demonstrates significantly lower indicators. However, given that Russia is a key trading partner of Kazakhstan, there is definitely an influence of the ruble on the exchange rate of the tenge.

To prevent destabilization of the situation in the domestic foreign exchange market, on Monday, February 28, trading on Kazakhstan Stock Exchange for the pair dollar-tenge was carried out in the form of a Frankfurt auction, as a result of which the National Bank's foreign exchange interventions amounted to USD 98.1 million, or 61.5% of the total volume trading per day. Trading has been going on as normal since Tuesday. Due to the increased demand for foreign currency from March 1 to March 5, the National Bank sold 534.3 million US dollars, which is 60% of the total trading volume (as at 15:00 o'clock, Nur-Sultan time), of which 414.3 million were conversions to ensure transfers from the National Fund to the republican budget and 120 million – foreign exchange interventions.

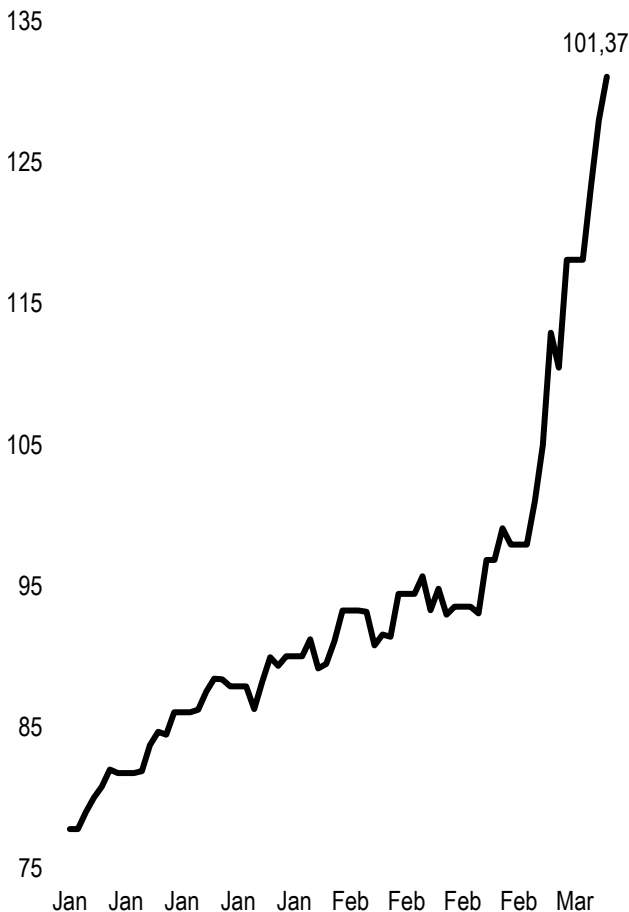
FX rates

Δ %, base (01.01.22)



	Price	Δ 7d, %	Δ 30d, %	Δ 2021, %
GBPKZT	665,61	6,56	12,95	14,30
USDKZT	503,30	7,75	14,99	15,64
EURKZT	549,91	5,30	12,15	12,73
CNYKZT	79,65	7,68	15,81	16,70
RUBKZT	4,16	-26,50	-20,21	-21,32

Brent oil USD/barrel





## Global indices

Name	Value	Trend %			Futures
S&P 500	4 328,87	-1,3	-3,3	12,7	-1,2
Dow Jones	33 614,80	-1,3	-4,3	6,7	-1,2
RTS	936,94	0,0	-34,6	-35,3	-2,9
MICEX	2 285,53	0,0	0,0	0,0	-2,9
Hang Seng	21 905,29	-3,8	-8,0	-24,7	-3,5
SS CSI 300	4 496,43	-1,7	-1,5	-14,6	-1,6
Euro Stoxx 50	3 556,01	-10,4	-14,1	-3,1	-10,2
FTSEuroFirst	4 265,00	-8,2	-10,4	3,9	-8,5
FTSE 100	6 987,14	-6,7	-7,2	5,4	-6,5
KASE	3 202,66	-7,3	-8,9	9,0	

## Commodities market

March 5, 2022

Name	Price	Trend %		
		7D	1M	1Y
Oil (Brent)	118,11	20,6	29,6	70,3
Oil (WTI)	115,68	26,3	28,1	75,0
Natural gas	5,02	12,2	2,6	85,7
Copper	492,90	10,2	10,2	20,6
Iron	822,00	15,4	2,6	-35,4
Gold	1 970,70	4,3	9,2	15,9
Silver	25,78	7,4	15,2	2,1
Wheat	1 348,00	59,9	79,3	106,1

## Economic calendar

Currency

Forecast

Previous

09.03	<a href="#">GDP (qtr./qtr.) (4 qtr.)</a>	JPY	1,4%	1,3%
10.03	<a href="#">ECB Monetary policy statement</a>	EUR		
10.03	<a href="#">Interest rate decision (Mar)</a>	EUR		
10.03	<a href="#">Consumer price index (CPI) (m/m) (Feb)</a>	EUR	0,5%	0,6%
10.03	<a href="#">Number of initial applications for unemployment benefits</a>	USD	216K	215K
11.03	<a href="#">GDP (m/m)</a>	GBP	0,2%	-0,2%

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

January 2022

Annual inflation	8.7%	01.03.22	8.5%
Gross international reserves of NBK, USD bn	33,4	01.02.22	34,4
Reserve money, KZT bn	10 683,9	01.02.22	10 957,7
Money supply, KZT bn	29 800,2	01.02.22	30 099,3

## Kazakhstan credit ratings

Rating

Date

Previous

**S&P Global**

BBB-/A-3 стабильный

05.03.22

BBB- stable

MOODY'S

Baa2/стабильный

11.08.21

Baa3 positive

FitchRatings

BBB/стабильный

04.02.22

BBB stable

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**Corporate Events Calendar of KASE listed Companies**

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