

# KASE WEEKLY

March 09 –  
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## KASE NEWS

- ▲ KASE [started](#) calculation and publication of new indices of Kazakhstan government securities market.
- ▲ KASE [holds](#) online press briefing on February 2022 exchange market results
- ▲ KASE [held](#) awards for Exchange members, listed [companies](#) and media [representatives](#) for 2021
- ▲ Introduced the [Methodology](#) for Calculation of Stock Market Indices and Indicators, [amendments](#) to the Listing Rules and Procedure for Listing Procedures, [an amendment](#) to the Regulation on Market Makers and [change](#) to the Specification for Repo Transactions Performed 'Automated'
- ▲ Halyk Finance JSC was [assigned](#) the status of a clearing participant of the foreign exchange market
- ▲ In the official list of KASE included bonds [KZ2C00008464](#) (PRKRb7) JSC "NC" Food Contract Corporation ", [KZZJ00000102](#) (NSK022\_010) Nur-Sultan, [KZMJ00001170](#) (TKK022\_117) and [KZMJ00001188](#) (TKK024\_118) akimat Turkestan region.
- ▲ Trades in bonds [KZ2P00008196](#) (MFBBb1) of MFO Bravo Business LLP were opened on KASE.
- ▲ From the official list of KASE excluded preferred shares [KZ1P00001341](#) (ESMCp) JSC "Estate Management Company" on the initiative of the issuer and bonds [KZ2C00002996](#) (CCBNb26) JSC "Bank CenterCredit" in connection with the expiry of their circulation
- ▲ JSC "First Heartland Jusan Invest" refused the market-maker status on KASE on bonds [CH0246199050](#) (TMJLe3) of JSC "NC "Kazakhstan Temir Zholy", JSC "Freedom Finance" - on bonds [XS2291819980](#) (GB\_GAZFe1) Gaz Finance plc, JSC "First Heartland Securities" - on [common shares](#) of eight names, BCC Invest - on [common shares](#) of eight names
- ▲ Bonds [KZ2C00008217](#) (IDFRb4) of JSC "Industry Development Fund" are included in the basket of the UDGU with CC

## ISSUER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ▲ Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan attracted 54.7 billion tenge, having placed on KASE MEOKAM-048 of issue 52 ([KZK200000687](#), MOM048\_0052), MEOKAM-036 of issue 91 ([KZK200000695](#), MOM036\_0091), MEOKAM-12 of issue 150 ([KZK100000266](#), MKM012\_0150).
- ▲ Akimat of Nur-Sultan attracted 12.5 billion tenge on KASE, having placed bonds [KZZZJ00000102](#) (NSK022\_010).
- ▲ Akimat of Turkestan region has attracted KZT14.6 bn on KASE, having placed bonds [KZMJ00001170](#) (TKK022\_117)
- ▲ Home Credit and Finance Bank subsidiary JSC [reported](#) that Fitch Ratings agency downgraded the long-term ratings of the bank
- ▲ JSC "Insurance Company "London-Almaty" [reported](#) on confirmation of the company's ratings by S&P Global Ratings
- ▲ Freedom Holding Corp. [said](#) S&P Global Ratings downgraded the ratings of its subsidiaries
- ▲ Subsidiary Bank Sberbank of Russia JSC [reported](#) a downgrade of the bank's ratings by Fitch Ratings
- ▲ KazTransOil JSC [reported](#) financial results for 2021
- ▲ JSC "Halyk Savings Bank of Kazakhstan" [reported](#) consolidated financial results for 2021
- ▲ Kazakhtelecom JSC [reported](#) the results of its activity for the year 2021.
- ▲ The National Atomic Company Kazatomprom JSC [reported](#) financial results for 2021.
- ▲ JSC National Company KazMunayGas [reported](#) financial results for 2021
- ▲ AMF Group JSC [paid](#) dividends on ordinary shares KZ1C00000512 (AKFI) for the nine months of 2021
- ▲ RG Brands JSC [paid](#) the second tranche of dividends on ordinary shares KZ1C00000496 (RGBR).



18.03.2022		Trends (%)	
<b>KASE Index</b>	3 372,76	5,3	-5,2
<b>First class of liquidity</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Δ 7D</b>	<b>Δ 1M</b>
АО "Национальная атомная компани	16 400,0	25,4	11,6
АО "Народный сберегательный бан	129,8	14,9	- 17,3
Pfizer Inc.	53,7	13,7	8,5
Freedom Holding Corp.	58,3	4,9	- 9,5
АО Kaspi.kz	29 249,0	2,3	- 26,9
АО "Банк ЦентрКредит"	380,0	-	- 4,4
ПАО "Сбербанк"	920,0	-	- 41,0
ПАО "Газпром"	1 672,0	-	- 15,3
Банк ВТБ (ПАО)	0,1	-	- 45,8
VTB Bank	0,1	-	- 45,8
ПАО "Новолипецкий металлургичес	1 381,0	-	- 6,6
ПАО "Ростелеком"	495,0	-	- 2,4
ПАО "Аэрофлот - российские авиа	313,0	-	- 20,8
АО "КЕГОС"	1 851,0	- 0,1	- 0,1
АО "КазТрансОйл"	976,0	- 0,1	- 11,3
АО "Казактелеком"	30 700,0	- 0,9	- 11,0
Intel Corporation	47,0	- 1,3	- 3,2
АО "Кселл"	1 710,0	- 1,3	- 0,5
Apple Inc.	160,6	- 2,1	- 5,9
AT&T Inc.	23,3	- 2,7	- 4,2
Ford Motor Company	16,3	- 9,7	- 13,5
Yandex N.V.	12 358,4	- 39,4	- 48,0
АО "KM GOLD"	440,0	- 56,2	- 56,0

At the end of the trading session on March 18, the value of KASE Index reached 3,372 points. As a result, since March 9, when Kazakhstan's stock market fell to its lowest point in the current year, the index has recovered by 13.6%. This was happening against the background of the local companies' report on the financial results for 2021.

On March 16, Kazakhtelecom JSC provided strong annual financial statements. The company's net profit amounted to 97 billion tenge against 65 billion tenge in 2020. The Board of Directors recommended to allocate 43.5% of net income for 2021 to dividends, which corresponds to payments per share in the amount of KZT3,590.39.

On March 16 NAC Kazatomprom JSC published its reports. Despite the record rise in world uranium prices, the company supplied under long-term contracts at a fixed price, so the annual net profit amounted to 220 billion tenge against 221 billion tenge a year earlier.

March 15, the annual financial statements published JSC "Halyk Bank of Kazakhstan. Net income for 2021 reached 462.4 billion tenge, up 31.1% compared to 2020. In the report Halyk Bank said that the damage to the group's property from the January riots in Kazakhstan was estimated at KZT0.7 billion.

In the international market, due to steadily rising inflationary pressures, regulators continue to pursue a tight monetary policy. On March 17-18, the U.S. Federal Reserve and the Bank of England raised key rates by 25 bps to 0.5% and 0.75%, respectively. Slightly earlier, on March 10, the European Central Bank (ECB) kept interest rate on loans at zero level, but decided to implement the program of net asset purchases at a slower pace and to fully complete it by the end of March. On March 18, the Central Bank of Russia kept the discount rate at 20% per annum. On March 9 the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan also decided to keep the prime rate at 13.5% per annum.

The yields of government bonds rose against the growth of interest rates in all countries. The yield of benchmark 10-year US government bonds for the first time in 2.5 years has exceeded 2% per annum. At the Moscow Stock Exchange after the resumption of OFZ trading on March 21 their yield was at the level of 18.1-19.5% per annum depending on the period to maturity. Herewith, the yield on short-term loans was higher than that on long-term, which is quite understandable in the current situation of extremely high volatility.

On March 16 the Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan attracted KZT120.5 bn. on KASE, having placed three issues for 1-4 years at 12.67-13.7% APR. Here, too, the shortest securities were characterized by the highest yields.

On the eurobonds of the Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan since March 9 there is a significant price recovery at the long end, as a result of which the curve of Kazakh government securities becomes less inverted, reflecting the stabilization of investor sentiment.

In the securities sector of local executive bodies on KASE conducted two offerings of two-year bonds at the rate of 4.25% per annum Akimats of Turkestan region and Nur-Sultan within the framework of government programs.

On KASE money market TONIA indicator grew last week from 13.98% to 14.35% APR, being on the upper border of the prime rate corridor set by the National Bank, which reflects the remaining increased demand for short-term liquidity from repo market participants. At the same time, daily trading volumes of overnight money market instruments remained within the range of KZT750-780 bn.

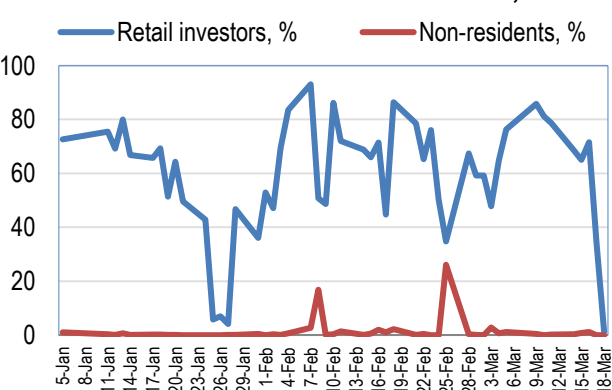
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**KASE Index shares**

Trading volume, KZT M (←)

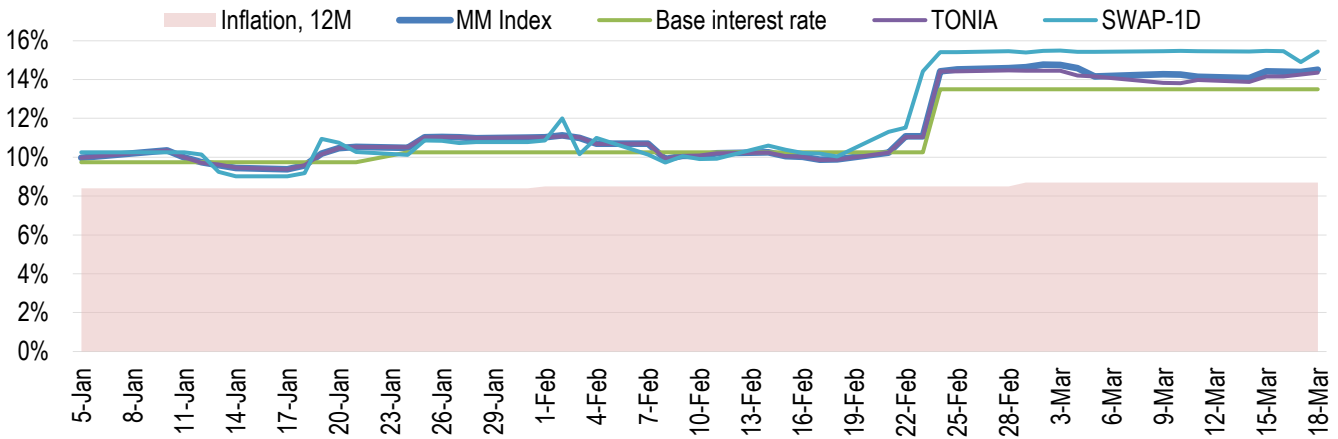


**Retail investors & non-residents, %**

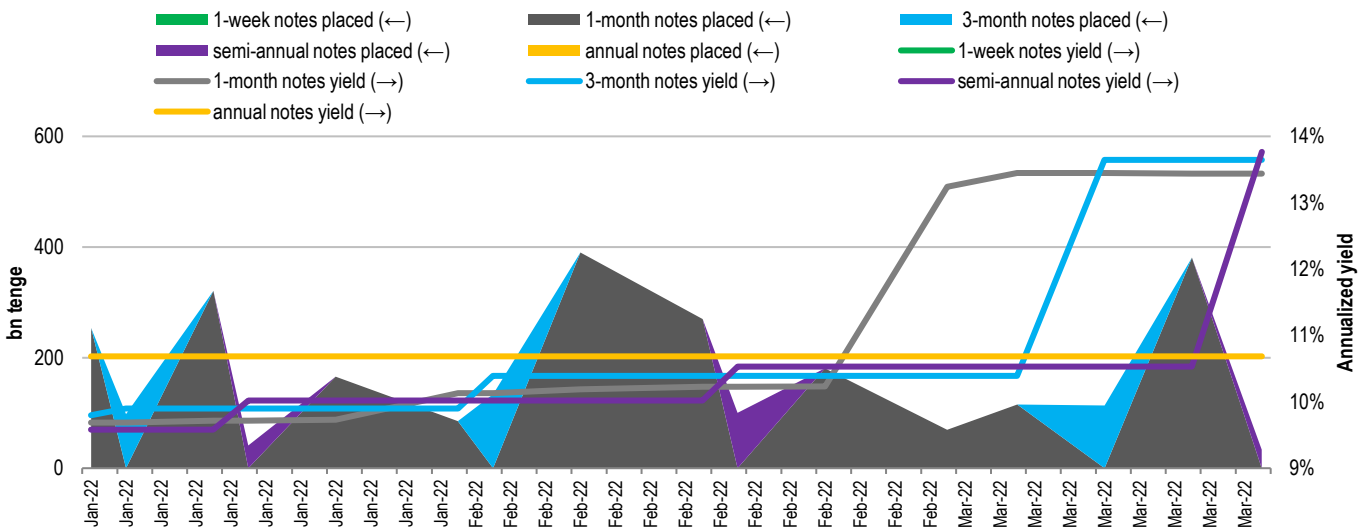


The yields of repo transactions in government securities (GS) for one day (TONIA) increased from 14.16% APR to 14.35% from March 5 through 18. Last week the rate of borrowing of tenge against USD for one day (SWAP-1D (USD)) rose from 15.43% APR to 15.44% APR. Average volume of trades in one-day instruments of the money market equaled KZT782 bn.

**Inflation and interest rates**

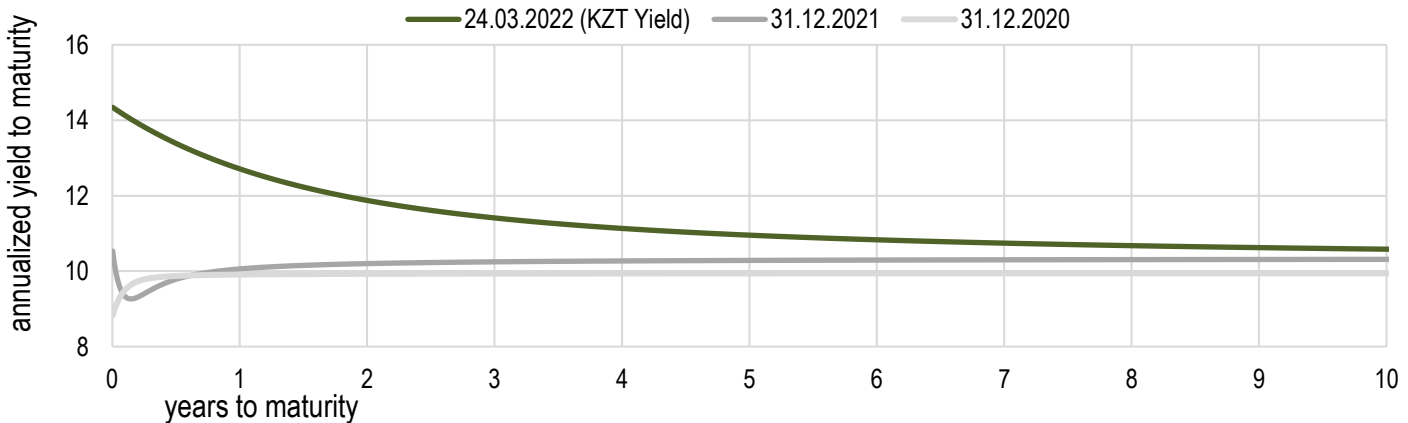


**Main Features of National Bank Notes Placements**



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

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





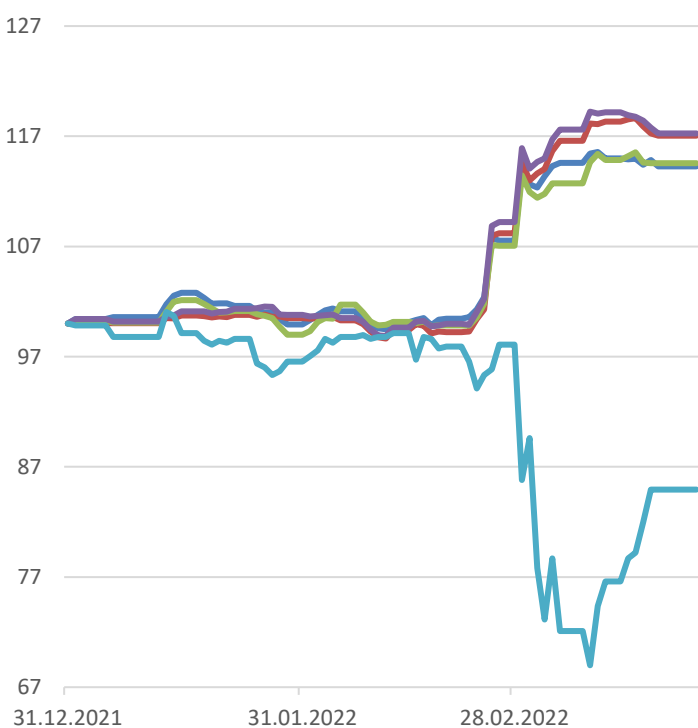
The situation on world financial markets is still extremely uncertain. In order to prevent destabilization of the situation on the domestic currency market, on March 9 trading on Kazakhstan Stock Exchange in dollar-tenge pair was held in the form of Frankfurt auction, by the results of which currency interventions of the National Bank made \$198.9 mln or 94.4% of the total volume of trading for the day

In order to prevent the transfer of external shocks to the country's economy and to maintain the balance in the domestic foreign exchange market, the National Bank conducts currency interventions. Over the past week, their volume amounted to 421.9 million USD or 59.2% of the total volume of exchange trading.

Last week, sales of foreign currency to provide transfers from the National Fund to the national budget amounted to 240.2 million USD. Share of currency interventions of the National Bank and sales from the National Fund was 92.9% of the total volume of trades.

In the short term, the volatility of the tenge will depend on the sanctions rhetoric, expectations of domestic participants and the situation on world markets. At the same time, we note that the National Bank continues to work on the transition to the full regime of inflation targeting, a prerequisite for which are structural changes in the economy and commitment to the principles of free floating of the exchange rate.

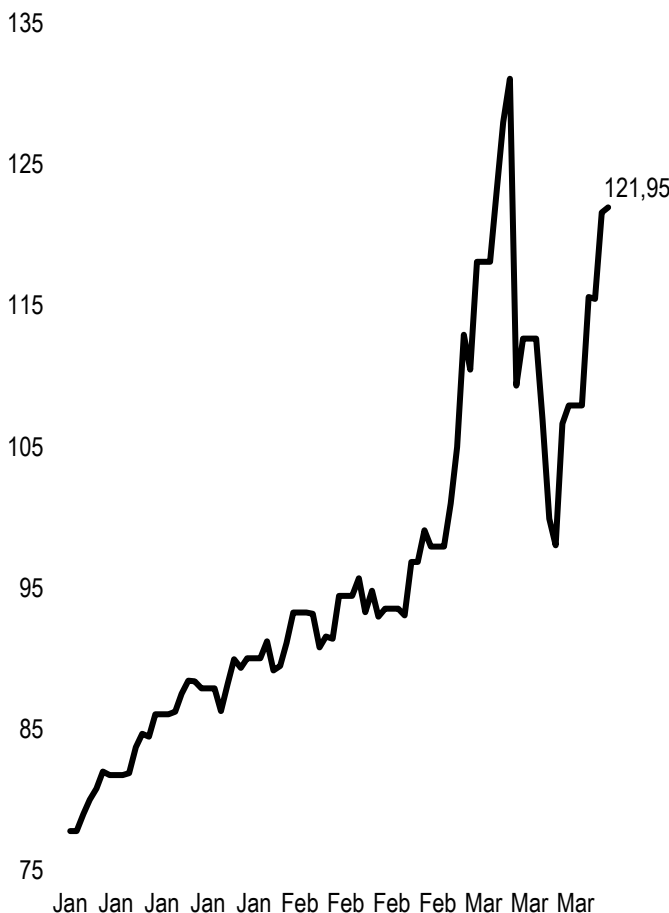
## FX rates



— GBPKZT — USDKZT — EURKZT  
— CNYKZT — RUBKZT

	Price	Δ 7d, %	Δ 30d, %	Δ 2021, %
— GBPKZT	663,76	-0,62	14,28	14,84
— USDKZT	505,22	-1,09	17,48	17,25
— EURKZT	558,72	-0,26	14,35	14,56
— CNYKZT	79,41	-1,61	17,52	17,78
— RUBKZT	4,90	10,86	-14,04	-15,08

## Brent oil USD/barrel





## Global indices

Name	Value	Trend %			Futures
S&P 500	4 463,12	3,1	-0,3	14,0	6,2
Dow Jones	34 754,93	3,4	-0,5	5,8	5,5
RTS	936,94	0,0	-38,5	-37,1	0,0
MICEX	2 285,53	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Hang Seng	21 412,40	-2,3	-13,4	-27,2	4,5
SS CSI 300	4 265,90	-5,1	-7,6	-17,0	-0,9
Euro Stoxx 50	3 902,44	9,7	-5,7	0,9	5,5
FTSEuroFirst	4 585,40	7,5	-4,4	7,2	4,6
FTSE 100	7 404,73	6,0	-2,6	9,2	3,6
KASE	3 372,76	5,3	-5,2	10,5	

## Commodities market

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Name	Price	Trend %		
		7D	1M	1Y
Oil (Brent)	107,93	-8,6	13,8	70,6
Oil (WTI)	104,70	-9,5	11,8	74,5
Natural gas	4,86	-3,1	3,1	96,0
Copper	473,05	-4,0	4,3	14,9
Iron	851,00	3,5	17,3	-28,5
Gold	1 921,62	-2,5	2,8	10,7
Silver	25,06	-2,8	6,1	-4,8
Wheat	1 063,75	-21,1	36,3	68,7

## Economic calendar

		Currency	Forecast	Previous
24.03	<a href="#">Interest Rate Decision (Q1)</a>	CHF	-0.75%	-0.75%
24.03	<a href="#">EU leaders summit</a>	EUR		
24.03	<a href="#">Number of initial jobless claims</a>	USD	212K	214K
28.03	<a href="#">Speech by the Governor of the Bank of England</a>	GBP		
30.03	<a href="#">GDP (4Q).</a>	USD	7.1%	7.0%
30.03	<a href="#">Crude oil inventories</a>	USD		-2.508M

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	01.03.22	34,4
Reserve money, KZT bn	10 764,9	01.03.22	10 957,7
Money supply, KZT bn	30 711,8	01.03.22	30 099,3

## Kazakhstan credit ratings

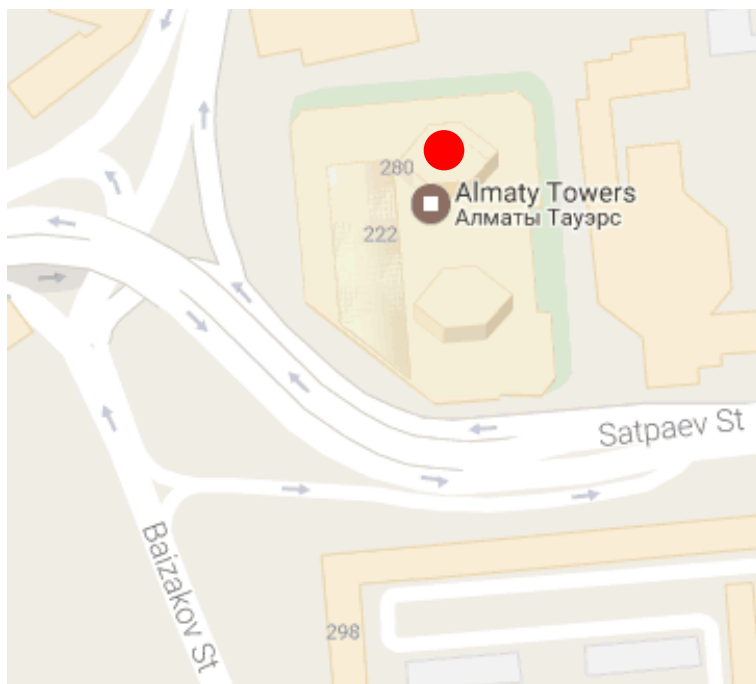
	Rating	Date	Previous
<b>S&amp;P Global</b>	BBB-/A-3 стабильный	05.03.22	BBB- stable
<b>MOODY'S</b>	Baa2/стабильный	11.08.21	Baa3 positive
<b>FitchRatings</b>	BBB/стабильный	04.02.22	BBB stable

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**Corporate Events Calendar of KASE listed Companies**

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