DAILY MARKET REVIEW

23 March, Monday

REVIEW OF STOCK MARKETS

Before the opening of trading on Friday 20 March some moderately positive external background formed on the Russian market. On Thursday the US indices DJIA and S&P500 added 0.5-0.9% on the news about the expansion of global measures designed to mitigate the economic consequences of the pandemic. The US Congress is continuing to consider an incentive program worth about \$1.2 trillion, the Fed is launching a new lending mechanism to support money market investment funds, the ECB has decided to launch a €750 billion bond purchase program, the Bank of England has lowered the rate to 0.1% and announced an increase in asset buybacks of £200 billion, up to £645 billion. Investors believe that these measures can help accelerate the recovery of the global economy after the distribution of Covid-19 is taken under control. On Friday the composite index of the Asia-Pacific region MSCI Asia Pacific added 2.5%; the S&P500 futures added around 2%. An additional positive factor for Asian markets was Reuters information that Beijing is going to invest 2.8 trillion yuan (almost \$400 billion) in the construction of infrastructure to accelerate the pace of economic recovery. At the same time, published statistics on the number of infected people confirmed the end of the epidemic in China – for the second day in mainland China, there have been no cases of coronavirus infection. May Brent futures were trading around \$30.2 per barrel, \$0.3 higher than our close on 19 March. Brent quotes continued rising after a 14% rally on Thursday on a message by The Wall Street Journal that the US presidential administration was considering intervening in the Russian-Saudi oil price war in an effort to stabilize the oil market.

On Friday, global stock markets showed strong growth on expectations that the actions of central banks and governments around the world will reduce the negative effect of the pandemic due to numerous incentives. Support for investors was also provided by reducing the threat of a dollar liquidity deficit that provoked an outflow of capital from the markets – according to media reports, the Federal Reserve significantly expanded the list of central banks to which it provides dollar loans. Against this background, at the daily highs, the consolidated European Stoxx Europe 600 Index added about 5%, the MOEX Russia Index for growing oil – about 6%. The decision of the Bank of Russia to keep the rate at 6% coincided with the expectations of most analysts and did not affect the changes of the Russian stock market and the ruble. At the same time, the Central Bank, recognizing a significant deviation of the situation from the baseline scenario, risks for inflation and the economy from the consequences of the coronavirus pandemic and a collapse in oil prices, nevertheless gave a neutral signal about the future direction of monetary policy. According to the statement, rate decisions will be made taking into account inflation trends, economic development, assessment of internal and external risks and reaction of financial markets to them. At the end of the day, the growth rates of the MOEX Russia Index slowed to 2.5% after the volatile start of the US trading and the resumption of falling oil prices – Brent quotes fell below \$27.5 per barrel.

During the trading session, the electric utilities sector index outperformed. The main contribution to the final MOEXEU outperformance in comparison with the MOEX Russia Index was made by shares of Rosseti, Gazprom's generation companies and RusHydro.

ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY NEWS

Lenenergo consolidates the assets of 4 subsidiaries in St. Petersburg with the transition to a single share

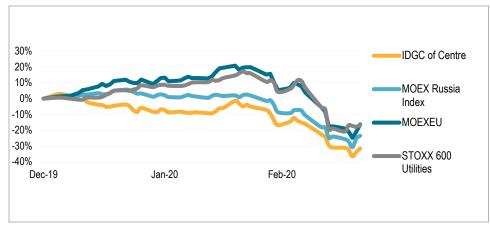
Rosseti Lenenergo (legal name - Lenenergo) consolidates the assets of four subsidiary electric grid companies with a total value of 34 billion rubles, said Andrey Ryumin, General Director of the company, on 19 March. "The purpose of the transition to a "single share" is to build a unified electric grid company in St. Petersburg. This will increase the manageability, transparency and efficiency of the business processes of Rosseti Lenenergo. The quality of the services provided will also improve: the time for eliminating failures and the term for concluding agreements for grid connection will be reduced," stated Mr. Ryumin.

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COMPANY NEWS

Igor Makovskiy: "Digital transformation technologies help us take care of the health of our employees"
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CHANGES OF KEY INDEXES AND SHARES OF THE COMPANY



World	World Value	Change	
indexes	value	per day	fr 31.12.19
MOEX Russia	2331,61	2,46%	-23,45%
S&P 500	2404,78	-0,19%	-25,57%
FTSE 100	5210,4	1,14%	-30,92%
Nikkei	16552,83	0,00%	-30,03%
Sensex	29915,96	5,75%	-27,48%
CSI300	3653,22	1,79%	-10,82%
Bovespa	70381,5	3,00%	-39,14%

Source: MOEX, Company calculations (19:00 MSK)

Currency rates	Value	Change	
		per day	fr 31.12.19
USD/RUB	80,157	3,81%	29,48%
EURO/RUB	87,2669	2,80%	25,85%

Source: Central Bank of Russia, Company calculations

Liquidity	IDGC of Centre	IDGC of Centre & Volga Region
Number of transactions, pcs.	1255	2008
Trading volume, ₽ mln	12,4	30,7
Trading volume, mln pcs.	56,1	214,1
Average trading volume over the last 30 days, mln pcs.	76,2	180,8
% of the authorized capital	0,13%	0,19%

Source: MOEX, Company calculations

Shares	Price**, ₽	MCap**, ₽ bln	MCap** \$ mln
IDGC of Centre	0,2174	9,18	114,50
IDGC of Centre & Volga Reg	0,1424	16,05	200,21

Source: MOEX, Company calculations

Comparison with indexes	Change		
	per day	fr 31.12.19	
STOXX 600 Utilities	0,78%	-16,61%	
MOEXEU	5,90%	-16,34%	
IDGC of Centre**	3,52%	-31,42%	
IDGC of Centre & Volga Region**	6,67%	-40,42%	

Source: MOEX, Company calculations (19:00 MSK)

Grid companies	Change**		
Grid Companies	per day	fr 31.12.19	
Rosseti, ordinary shares	12,10%	-25,43%	
FGC UES	4,49%	-25,01%	
IDGC of Volga	6,21%	-29,69%	
MOESK	4,27%	-21,11%	
IDGC of Northern Caucasus	4,54%	-20,20%	
IDGC of North-West	5,27%	-17,77%	
IDGC of Urals	4,36%	-18,79%	
IDGC of Siberia	7,28%	-38,03%	
Rosseti South	3,85%	-25,91%	
Lenenergo, ordinary shares	0,00%	-19,60%	
TRK, ordinary shares	7,52%	-20,23%	
Kubanenergo	5,55%	-7,23%	

Source: MOEX. Company calculations

** - at the price of last transaction at MOEX

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