

Ukrainian government bond and FX market: CBL-NBU link details



# Operational details of CBL-NBU link

## Purchase on the secondary\* market (cross-border)

- ✓ Purchase from a local bank\*\*
- ✓ Purchase from other non-resident
- ✓ Transfer from non-resident's own account opened with a local custodian to CBL's account (no change of beneficial owner)

Funds transfer (UAH/foreign currency - FCY):

- √ from own FCY account opened abroad
- √ through CBL correspondent UAH account opened with a local agent bank (Citibank Ukraine)
- √ from own UAH account opened with local bank

### Sale on the secondary market (cross-border)

- ✓ Sale to a local bank\*\*
- ✓ Sale to other non-resident
- √ Transfer from CBL's account to the non-resident's own account with a local custodian (no change of beneficial owner)

OTC FOP only

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Funds transfer (UAH/ foreign currency - FCY):

- √ directly to the own FCY account opened abroad
- √ through CBL correspondent UAH account opened with a local agent bank (Citibank Ukraine)
- ✓ to the own UAH account opened with a local bank

Coupon/redemption proceeds are transferred through CBL correspondent account with local agent bank (Citibank Ukraine)

## Transactions in CBL system

- ✓ Securities are tradable Free of Payment or Against Payment in any of the CBL eligible currencies and not limited to UAH
- ✓ Participation of the Ukrainian broker is not required
- ✓ No bridge transactions with Euroclear
- \* purchase at primary market is available only with local custody account
- \* for this option non-resident should establish relations with a local bank (KYC)





#### **Buy/sell operations - through:**

- ✓ CBL correspondent account with the local agent bank (ER is negotiated with CBL's treasury)
- ✓ account of investor's broker (non-resident) opened with a local bank (ER is negotiated with non-resident broker)
- ✓ Investor's own account opened with a local bank (exchange rate is negotiated with the local bank treasury)

Interest/redemption proceeds through CBL correspondent account with the local agent bank

## Capital controls & restrictions

**Documents required** to repatriate UAH revenue from sale of the bonds to a local counterparty (submitted to the local agent bank):

- √ statement of securities account
- √ copy of the respective buy/sell agreement

No additional documents needed to repatriate coupon/redemption proceeds — payment is processed automatically to CBL's correspondent UAH account with local agent bank

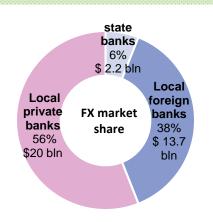
Borrowing from residents in UAH is currently restricted but is considered to be relaxed

### **Taxation**

- ✓ **Legal entities:** 0% on coupon/redemptions proceeds, in case non-resident sells bonds to resident from 0% to 15% on capital gain acc. to double taxation treaty
- ✓ Non-resident to non-resident: no taxes

## Ukraine's FX market

## Structure of FX market (1Q 2019)



- 77 banks-traders
- Top 20 banks account 81%
- Capital control for banks liberlized
- FX position ±5% of reg. capital (\$5.1 bn as of 01.04.2019)

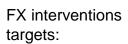
#### **April 2019**

40% 60%

**BLOOMBERG Matching** 

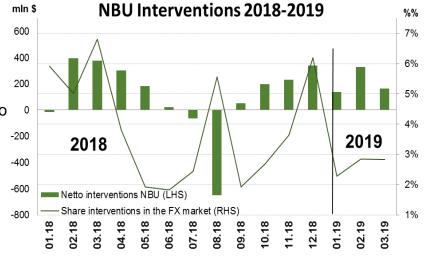
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# **NBU** participation



- FX reserves accumulation (up to \$20m daily)
- ER fluctuations smoothing

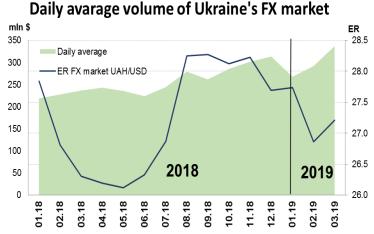
National Bank



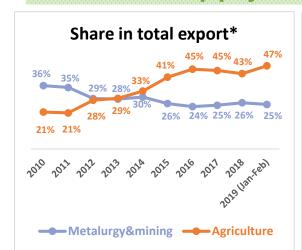
## **FX** market volume

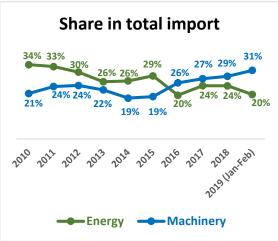
#### Volume:

- ➤ 1Q 2019 YoY volume of interbank transactions ↑ by 30%
- in April`19 daily avg interbanks' transactions volume reached \$330 mln



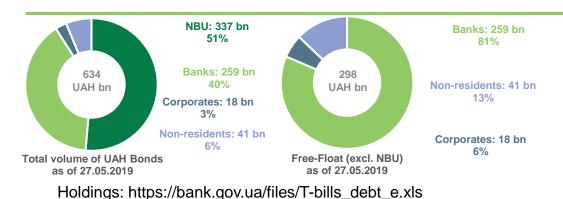
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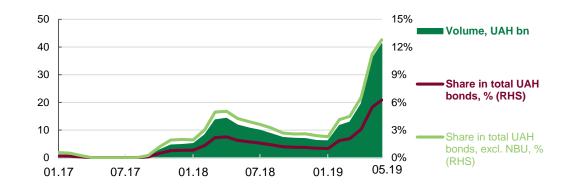




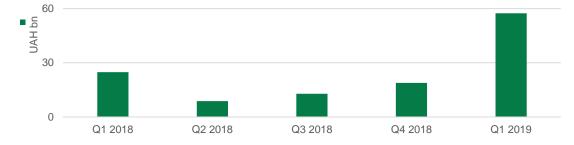
<sup>\*</sup> Seasonality is mainly driven by agriculture production cycle

## **UAH-denominated Government Bonds**



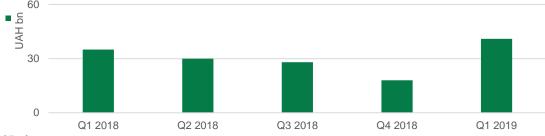


### **Primary market**



- ✓ Weekly auctions on Tuesdays. Settlement T+1 on Wednesdays.
- √ 12 primary dealers local banks (https://www.minfin.gov.ua/en/news/borg/perelik-pervynnykh-dyleriv)
- ✓ Maturities: 3M, 6M, 9M, 1Y, 1.5Y, 2Y, 3Y and 5Y

### Secondary market



- ✓ Mainly OTC-traded recorded at number of local stock exchanges
- ✓ Primary placements will move to international trading platforms Bloomberg, Refinitiv (expected till the end of Q2 2019)
- ✓ Secondary market will be concentrated at international trading platform (expected till the end of 2019)

