

Bond Market Insight

Primary auction: low demand

Comment on government bond placement

The MoF offered 5-month and 11-month zero-coupon bonds at yesterday's auction. While 1-year maturities were sold in recent weeks, mostly in small amounts, half-year bonds were last sold in February. Our tepid expectations of low demand were realized.

The MoF received and satisfied the sole two bids for 11-month bonds at 14.84-14.85%, or 5-6bp below last week's cut-off rate, selling UAH23.50m (par value) for UAH20.78m in budget proceeds. The 5-month offering received no bids.

As zero-coupon bonds attract little to no market demand, the 2-year and 3-year bonds should attract above UAH500m in demand next week. Interest rates could decrease slightly, with 2-year bonds selling no lower than 15.00% and 3-year bonds no lower than 15.20%.

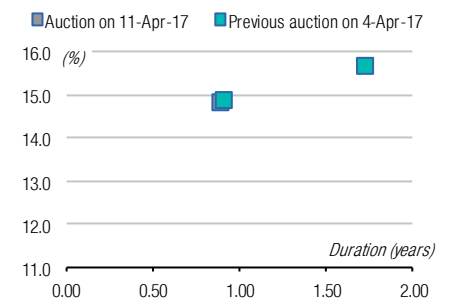
Table 1. Details of domestic government bonds placed at the auction (UAHbn)

ISIN	Coupon rate (%)	Payment freq ¹	Maturity	Qty of bonds sold	Price (UAH)	Proceeds ² (UAHm)	Volume ² (UAHm)	YTM ³ (%)	Outstanding (m) ⁴
UA4000197016	0.00	Д	28-Фев-18	23,500	884.18	20.78	23.50	14.85	946.94
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Note: [1] payment frequency abbreviations: Q - quarterly, SA - semi-annually; [2] proceeds and volumes for the USD-denominated bonds are calculated based on the previous day last price of USD/UAH exchange rate; [3] yields on coupon-bearing bonds are effective yields to maturity. Sources: Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, Bloomberg, ICU.

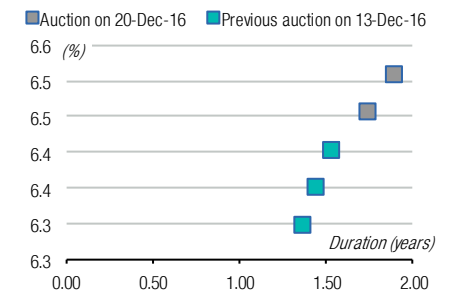
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UAH-denominated domestic gov't bonds: yield curve in past two auctions



Source: Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, ICU.

USD-denominated domestic gov't bonds: yield curve in past two auctions

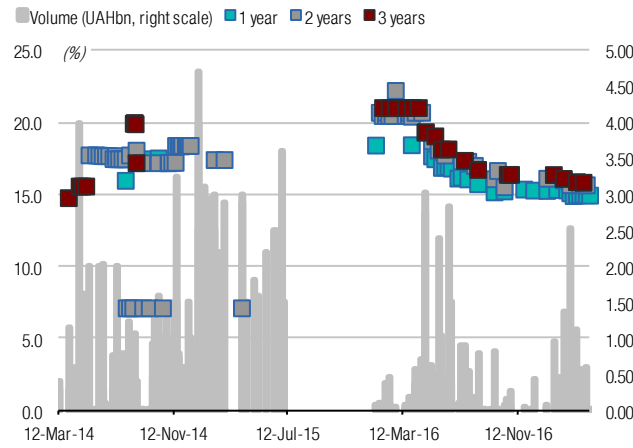


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Appendix: Yields-to-maturity, repayments

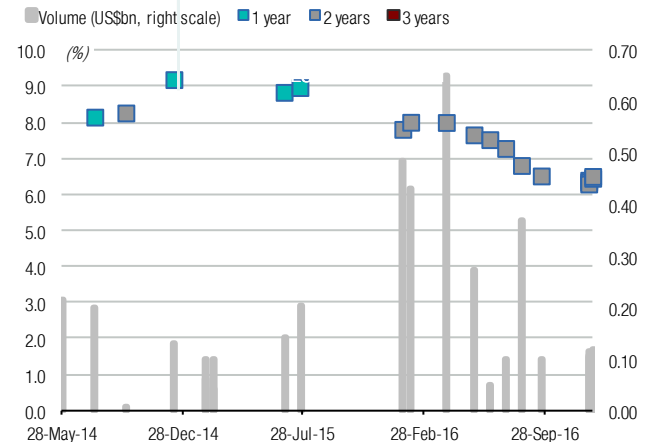
Chart 1. Three-year history of domestic government bond placements at primary market: proceeds (in billions) and yields-to-maturity (%)

UAH-denominated domestic government bonds



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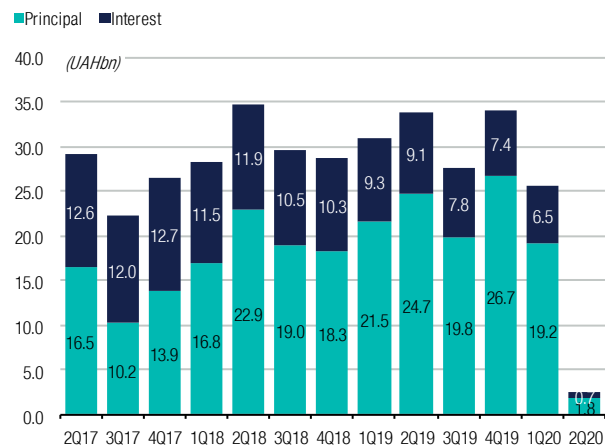
USD-denominated domestic government bonds



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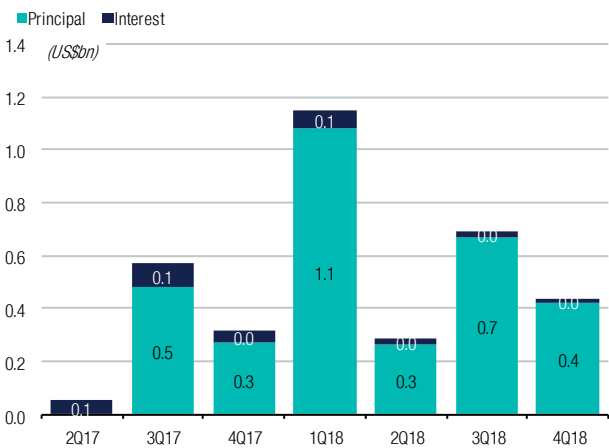
Chart 2. Future repayments on domestic government bonds (in billions of currency)

UAH-denominated domestic government bonds



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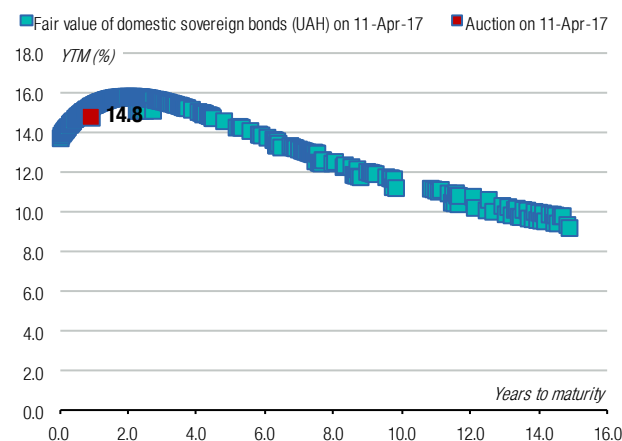
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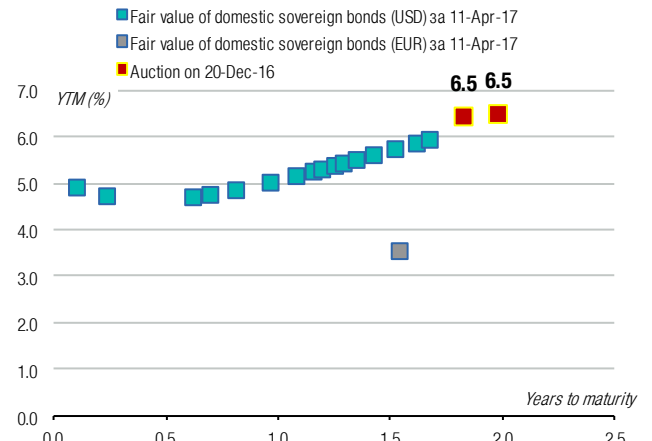
Chart 3. Fair value of domestic government bonds as calculated by NBU versus placements via primary market auctions

UAH-denominated domestic government bonds



Source: Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, ICU.

USD- and EUR-denominated domestic government bonds



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