

REVIEW OF WORLD STOCK MARKETS

Good economic data supports the markets. Good U.S. statistics continues to provide support to the markets - U.S. Department of Commerce reported that the growth rate of retail sales in February was the highest in five months. Starting from the morning Europe was optimistic - pending the outcome of the starting EU summit major indices added an average of about half a percent. Near the end of the day buyers strengthened their position after the good data on the labour market overseas. At the end of the trading session the European DJStoxx 600 Index closed with a gain of 1.08%, the US S&P 500 Index rose by 0.56%.

REVIEW OF THE RUSSIAN STOCK MARKET

Lateral dynamics continues in the Russian market. Before the opening of trading some neutral external background formed on the Russian market on March 14. The Russian market for the third day in a row cannot determine the direction of movement - the MICEX Index most of the trading session was volatile sideways in a range of $\pm 0.5\%$ of the closing levels of Wednesday. The MICEX Index was able to gain a foothold in the positive area only after the next portion of the strong statistics from the U.S.: the number of applications for unemployment benefits dropped to its lowest level since mid-January, along with this the less volatile indicator - the average number of applications filed in the past four weeks - updated the lowest mark since March 2008. At closing, the MICEX Index gained 0.17% to close at 1498.97 points, the RTS Index rose by 0.30% to close at 1535.73 points. The MicexPWR Sector Index decreased by 1.00%, reaching 1638.47 points. The main contribution to the decline in the indicator - over 70% - was given by shares of electric grid companies.

ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY NEWS

Mr. Kadyrov to teach the Chechen to pay for the light

IDGC of Northern Caucasus gained the support of heads of republics to solve the problem of non-payment for electricity. Working people of Chechnya cannot expect to receive wages, unless they confirm that they have settled their electricity utility bills.

To read full text: <http://www.rbcdaily.ru/tek/562949986221295>

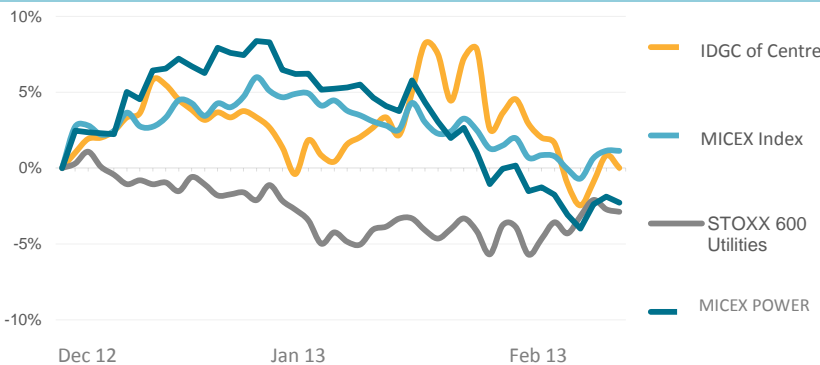
COMPANY NEWS

Power engineers of IDGC of Centre are ready to operate through bad weather

Due to adverse weather conditions in the Central Region power engineers of IDGC of Centre are taking a number of preventive measures that will allow to avoid negative effects of natural disaster.

To read full text: http://www.mrsk-1.ru/ru/press/news/company/index.php?id_4=88209

DYNAMICS OF KEY INDEXES AND SHARES OF THE COMPANY



World indexes	Value	Change for the day	Change from 31.12.12
MICEX	1 498,97	0,17%	1,64%
S&P 500	1 563,23	0,56%	9,61%
FTSE 100	6 529,41	0,74%	10,71%
DJStoxx 600	298,52	1,08%	6,74%
STOXX Utilities	253,78	1,19%	-2,01%
Nikkei	12 381,19	1,16%	19,11%
Bovespa	57 281,02	-0,18%	-6,02%

Source: Bloomberg, Company calculations

Raw	Value	Change for the day	Change from 31.12.12
Brent*, USD/bbl	108,96	0,67%	-1,94%

* - May futures

Source: Bloomberg, Company calculations

Shares of IDGC of Centre	Value
Last transaction, RUR	0,6015
Capitalisation**, billion RUR	25,394
Capitalisation**, million USD	826,61

** - at the price of last transaction at MICEX

Source: Central Bank of Russia, Company calculations

Russian indexes	Change for the day	Change from 31.12.12
MICEX-Power Index	-1,00%	-4,04%
Shares of IDGC of Centre	-0,58%	0,25%

Source: MICEX, Company calculations

Distribution grid companies	Change for the day	Change from 31.12.12
IDGC of Volga	-1,44%	9,67%
MOESK	-0,90%	9,93%
IDGC of Northern Caucasus	3,91%	-23,70%
IDGC of Centre and Volga Region	0,00%	20,40%
IDGC of North-West	0,16%	-4,88%
IDGC of Urals	-0,23%	2,09%
IDGC of Siberia	-0,85%	-1,99%
IDGC of South	-0,81%	1,87%
Lenenergo	1,06%	-5,39%

Source: MICEX, Company calculations

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