Weekly News Update



January 22-26, 2024

FINANCING AND DEBT

- On January 31, 2024 the Treasury will offer GMTN notes in a competitive multi-price auction 1.125 per cent. Notes due 2028 under the Global Medium Term Note Programme of the Republic of Latvia, acting through the Treasury (R\bar{I}GA, Jan 29, \bar{Treasury})
- On January 24, domestic GMTN Notes due on 22nd May, 2029 were offered in a competitive multi-price auction. Notes were sold in nominal value of EUR 75 million and the total demand reached EUR 207.158 million. The weighted average yield rate was 3.378% (RĪGA, Jan 24, <u>Treasury</u>)

CREDIT RATING

• On Friday, January 26, 2024, the international credit rating agency Moody's affirmed Latvia's credit rating at A3 level, maintaining a stable outlook. (RĪGA, Jan 29, <u>Treasury</u>)

MACROECONOMICS

- ◆ Data of the Central Statistical Bureau (CSB) of Latvia show that in December 2023, compared to December 2022, level of producer prices in Latvian industry reduced by 11.3 %. In December 2023, compared to November 2023, the level of producer prices in Latvian industry fell by 0.8 %. (RĪGA, Jan 22, CSB)
- On January 23, the Cabinet of Ministers approved the Limitation Plan of Shadow Economy 2024-2027 prepared by the Ministry of Finance. The plan envisages reducing of total volume of shadow economy in Latvia to 18.9% in 2027 (according to Professor F. Schneider's methodology), if the country maintains stable economic development, thus bringing shadow economy indicator closer to the average level of European countries. (RĪGA, Jan 23, MoF (only in Latvian))

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Republic of Latvia

A- positive (Fitch)/ A+ negative (S&P) / A3 stable (Moody's)/ A stable (R&I)

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