

VAB Bank Eurobonds

Reasonable restructuring offer

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VAB Bank offered holders of its USD 125 mln Eurobonds to extend the maturity out 4-years, pay 10% cash upfront payment and increase the coupon to 10.5% from 10.125%. Given changes in VAB's ownership, smaller debt burden than its peers, we believe its spread of ~8.2 pp over the sovereign yield curve has the potential to narrow 1-1.5 pp in the nearest months.

Security

VABANK 10 1/8 ISIN XS0303241615 Price (10 Mar 2010, mid) 84.00 YTM (10 Mar 2010, mid) 86.47% Jun. 14, 2010 Maturity date Bullet Type Amount USD 125 mln 10.125% Coupon Frequency Semiannual

Restructuring offer

 Maturity date
 Jun. 14, 2014

 Cash upfront
 10%

 Amount
 USD 112.5 mln

 Coupon
 10.5%

 Frequency
 Quarterly

Bond prices, % of par, mid-market



Mar-09 Apr-09 Jun-09 Aug-09 Oct-09 Nov-09 Jan-10 Mar-10

Source: Bloomberg

VAB offers 10% cash sweep, 4-year extension

Last Friday VAB Bank offered holders of its USD 125 mln Notes due on June 14, 2010 to extend the maturity out four years, pay 10% cash upfront (to investors who support the deal before March 19) and increase the coupon from 10.125% (semiannual) to 10.5% (quarterly). We expect the offer to be approved by noteholders at a March 22 meeting (the consent of 75% of the votes cast is required for this).

These terms are somewhat more favorable than those offered by FUIB and Finance and Credit (F&C) banks in December: they offered smaller cash sweeps (8% and 5%, respectively), but comparable prolongation periods (5 and 4 years) and coupon increases (to 11% and 10.5%). VAB's offer also looks reasonable given improved risk perception since end-2009: Ukraine's CDS dropped from above 1,200 bps to below 800 bps as of March 10.

Owners' support, deposits inflow may extend for 2010

VAB's major shareholder, Netherlands-based private equity fund Kardan N.V., announced in January it would increase its stake to 98% by buying out local shareholder Sergey Maksimov's 35% stake for EUR 24 mln in 2010. We expect Kardan to continue developing VAB and for full ownership to give it more flexibility.

Last year VAB increased its charter fund by UAH 150 bln (USD 18.8 bln, 38%), and attracted a UAH 350 bln (USD 43.6 bln) tier-II capital subordinated loan. VAB's CAR rose from 12% as of end-2008 to 18.5% as of end-2009.

In January, VAB's retail deposits increased by 1.9% vs. the system average of +0.2%, continuing the trend from 4Q09, when its retail deposits rose 14.4%, vs. the system average of +4.5%.

Debt burden smaller compared to peers

As of end-2009, VAB's outstanding debt securities, interbank borrowing (incl. from the NBU) and other liabilities constituted 40% of its assets, smaller than FUIB (49%) and F&C (52%). Furthermore, in December, VAB rolled over UAH 1 bln (USD 125 bln) in loans from the NBU for another year.

Debt burden of banks, 2009E	VAB	FUIB	F&C
Debt burden (% of Assets)*	40%	49%	52%
Incl. loans from NBU (% of Assets)	15%	12%	26%
Cash (% of Assets)	10%	15%	8%
USD mln	84	306	194
CAR (NBU rules)	18.51%	19.05%	12.32%
*(Due to banks+Due to NBU+Debt securities issued+Other liabilities)/Assets			

VAB's restructured Eurobonds YTM of 16.4% could decline further

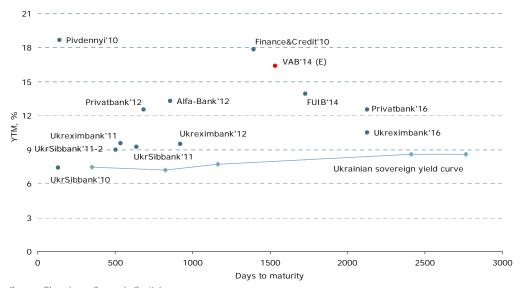
VAB's Eurobonds price of 84.75% of par implies a YTM of $\sim 16.4\%$ (semiannual) for the restructured Notes, a ~ 8.2 pp spread over the sovereign yield curve (vs. FUIB's spread of 5.8 pp). Given the changes in VAB's ownership, smaller debt burden than its peers, we believe its spread has the potential to narrow 1-1.5 pp in the nearest months.

Recent Ukrainian bank Eurobond restructurings

Company	Restructuring	Prolongation	Cash upfront	New coupon rate,	Sinkability of new	Additional
	Initiation	(years)	payment	change from	bonds	
Alfa-Bank	July	3	15%-27%	13% (quarterly),	Principal repayment	n/a
	2009			from 12% (s.a.)	starting second year	
FUIB	December	5	8%	11% (quarterly),	None	Owners pledged to up share
	2009			from 9.75% (s.a.)		capital and extend NBU loans
Finance	December	4	5%	10.5% (s.a.), from	None	n/a
& Credit	2009			10.375% (s.a.)		
VAB Bank	March	4	10%	10.5% (quarterly),	None	n/a
	2010			from 10.125% (s.a.)	



Ukraine Eurobond yield map, as of March 10, 2010



Source: Bloomberg, Concorde Capital

Financial statements, IFRS

Balance sheet summary, USD mln

	2007	2008	2009E
Cash & Equivalents	199	88	84
Due from Banks	1	2	2
Loans	911	808	765
Less Provisions	(18)	(50)	(104)
Other Assets	117	80	106
Total Assets	1,211	928	853
Due To Banks	174	162	208
Clients' Deposits	738	503	377
Debt Securities Issued	153	133	125
Other Liabilities	2	7	8
Subordinated Debt	20	20	65
Total Liabilities	1,088	825	783
Share Capital	128	109	134
Retained Earnings	(4)	28	(15)
Other Equity	(1)	(34)	(49)
Total Equity	123	103	70
Total Liabilities & Equity	1,211	928	853

Income statement summary, USD mln

	2007	2008	2009E
Net Interest Income	37.0	76.6	65.1
Provisions Change	(4.8)	(50.2)	(54.3)
NII After Provisions	32.3	26.3	10.8
Net Fees Income	15.9	19.5	14.0
SG&A	(59.8)	(82.7)	(66.2)
Other Income/(Expense)	14.3	24.0	5.0
EBT	2.7	(12.9)	(36.4)
Taxes	(0.9)	1.3	0.0
Net Income	1.8	(11.5)	(36.4)

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	2007	2008	2009E
Loans loss provisions/Total loans	2.0%	6.1%	13.6%
Loans/Deposits	124%	161%	203%
Interest Rate Margin		8.9%	8.3%
Cost/Income		86.1%	83.6%
Cost/Avg Assets		7.5%	6.8%
Pre-provision RoA		3.5%	1.9%
RoA		-1.1%	-4.1%
RoE		-10.2%	-42.0%
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Source: VAB Bank, NBU, Concorde Capital calculations



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