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#### Research Article

# Improving the stock market infrastructure in conditions of economic modernization

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#### **Abstract**

The article describes the economic essence of the stock market infrastructure and the main directions of its formation, the scientific and theoretical basis. The foreign experience of the stock market infrastructure and stock exchanges has been studied, and opportunities for their application to the stock market of Uzbekistan have been identified. Analysis of the institutional, technical and functional bases of the stock market, the economic situation in the stock market of the Republic of Uzbekistan. Factors influencing the development of stock market infrastructure were systematized, and analyzes were performed on the autoregressive distributed lag (ARDL) model based on the factors influencing the stock market infrastructure and their complex econometric methods. The paper also finds that the degree of consolidation varies among different integrated groups of market infrastructure. Economies of scale and scope and positive network externalities inherent in the securities services industry mean that substantial cost savings and increased efficiency can be expected from further integration. The most relevant factors underlying the less advanced areas of integration are likely to be not only persistent cross-border differences in tax regimes, procedures and laws, but also vested interests among users, owners and managers.

#### 1 Introduction

The stock market is one of the most important economic components, and it is a necessary link. The global stock market trading volume amounted to a total of 65.6 trillion in 2017. The main share was in the United States (23.8 trillion dollars or 36.3%), China (6.6 trillion dollars or 10.1%), Japan (5.2 trillion dollars or 7.9%). ), Hong Kong (\$ 4.1 trillion or 6.3 percent), and the United Kingdom (\$ 3.0 trillion, or 4.6 percent). It is the world leader in the formation of market infrastructure, the share of the ten countries listed above, including Canada, France, Germany, India, Switzerland, is 51.4 trillion. dollars or 78.3 percent. Looking at developed countries, the turnover of corporate securities concerning GDP in the United States is 115.3%, in Korea 133.8%, in Japan 127.1%.

The research aimed at improving the stock market infrastructure in the world practice, including the improvement of information stock indices, which are the main components of the stock market infrastructure, increasing the role of exchanges and alternative trading systems, the introduction of new financial instruments, the establishment of stock market self-government.

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In the current context of rapid socio-economic reforms in Uzbekistan, the full launch of the secondary securities market, regular announcement of the value of shares on the stock exchange, increasing the desire of the population to buy shares, conversion of shares into real securities and a significant source of income, stock market infrastructure the lack of effective regulation hinders the development of the stock market. Accordingly, "in order to further develop the stock market and stock exchange in Uzbekistan, it is necessary to radically reorganize the work of the Center for Coordination and Development of the Securities Market." There is also a need to improve the stock market infrastructure that fully meets the state's macroeconomic and active investment policy requirements. Strategy actions in five priority areas of development of the Republic of Uzbekistan for 2017-2021 identify important tasks to "improve the investment climate and strengthen the role of shareholders in the strategic management of enterprises." Fulfilment of these tasks requires accelerating the work on improving the infrastructure of the stock market.

#### 2 Literature Review

The The scientific and theoretical aspects of the development of the stock market infrastructure in the context of modernization of the economy are the research area of many foreign scientists. In this regard, B.I.Alyoxin, D.J.Beyli, E.Bradley, R.Breyli, R.Waitlingham, B.Williams, S.Mayers, K.Morris, U.O.Nila, E.Peters, E.Rode, It has been studied in the research works of scientists as R. Rosen, A. Siegel, J. Tulz, J. Soros, F. Fabotsts, J. Hicks, W. Sharp. However, despite the significant contribution of the listed researchers to the science of economics, the specific features of the financing of securities and the stock market, the analysis, evaluation, regulation and control of their activities have not been considered.

In the countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States G.Alexander, A.Basov, V.Galanov, Dj. Gitman, A.Kilyachkov, V.Kolesnikov, Ya.Mirkin, A.V.Navoy, E.Petere, B.Rubtsov, V.Torkanovsky, O.Khmyz, L.Chaldaeva, N.Berzon and other scientists conducted research. However, in their scientific works, the activities of stock market participants and organizers have not been studied as infrastructural institution.

Government intervention affecting the underdevelopment of the Uzbek stock market, state ownership of large stakes, lack of public awareness of securities and income from them, lack of infrastructure bonds, and underdeveloped infrastructure that provides and guarantees income from securities are all issues that have not been adequately researched.

The ways of its development, the general aspects of improving the functioning of the stock market are reflected in the research work of I. Butikov, M. Khamidulin, Sh. Shohazamiy, U. Aliyeva, N. Karimov, F. Mirzaev and other scientists.

Simultaneously, the concerns of increasing the role of the stock market, enhancing the efficiency of infrastructure, risk management, strengthening government regulatory procedures, and raising the involvement of institutional investors were selected as part of the Uzbek economy's modernization process.

## 3 Results

The Infrastructure is an essential condition for the effective functioning of market relations. However, although the practice of using structures that are part of the infrastructure sector in socio-

economic development is improving, it is relatively late to focus on it as an independent sector with a perfect system.

The study results of the empirical research are divided into 7 stages according to the element of infrastructure and the period of its formation. The results allowed to substantiate the dependence of the formation of the stock market infrastructure on factors such as the formation of infrastructure elements, accounting, registration, control, innovation and information infrastructures (Table 1).

Table 1The evolution of the emergence of elements of the stock market infrastructure

Stages of development	Infrastructure	Infrastructure element		
Phase 1 (XII-XIV centuries)	Infrastructure formation stage	Promissory note fairs; Permanent promissory note		
Phase 2 (XV-XVIII centuries)	( )			
Stage 3 (XVI-XX centuries)	Alternative trading systems	OTC systems; Dilling (Reuters) system; Internet brokerage system		
Stage 4 (XVII- XIX centuries)	Accounting infrastructure	Clearing organizations;		
Stage 5 (the 60s of the XX century)	Registration infrastructure	Depositories; Central Depository; uncertificated securities; registrars		
Stage 6 (late XIX-early XIX centuries early XX century	Control infrastructure	State control bodies; Self-governing bodies		
Stage 7 (end of XX century XXI)	Appraisal infrastructure	Rating agencies (stock indices)		

Based on historical-genesis analysis, it was concluded that in the process of evolution, the development of stock market infrastructure changed twice: from the XII century to the XIX century, the stock market infrastructure lagged behind the market (i.e., first needs, then

specialization and division of labor). According to the author, for the effective development of the stock market, its infrastructure must surpass the market in development. A comparative analysis of American, Chinese and German stock market models has made it possible to describe the stock market infrastructure model formed in the process of modernization and diversification of the Uzbek economy as a mixed model and assess the likelihood of global models influencing its development.

During the study, different approaches of world scientists to the stock market infrastructure were studied and grouped. In scientific research, the stock market is interpreted differently by scholars. In contrast, Western scholars approach infrastructure as the financial institutions that make up the stock market. Russian scholars approach the stock market as a set of complete systems that ensure the functioning of the stock market. Scientists of Uzbekistan have done almost no research on the infrastructure of the stock market and its formation. Based on the above, in our opinion, the stock market infrastructure should be interpreted as a set of systems and structures that operate separately and independently. In this regard, given that the stock market infrastructure depends on investment activities and thus plays an essential role in the sustainable development of the economy, improving the population's living standards and stock market infrastructure should be studied as an urgent problem.

Several studies have been conducted in foreign countries to study the problems aimed at shaping the infrastructure of the stock market, not only the infrastructure for exchange trading but also the perfect structures that cover over-the-counter areas. In particular, the largest number of computerized system terminals in China in the world is made by STAQS (Securities Trading Automated Quotations System). In addition, shares of state-owned enterprises and government bonds are sold by the state electronic trading system NETS (National Electronic Trading System).

The study is based on the experience of foreign countries in the law on investment funds, the rules of creation and operation of investment institutions. The practice of applying the experience of shaping the infrastructure of the Chinese market to the Uzbek stock market has been proposed. Although a large part of the over-the-counter stock market (more than 90%) is financial bonds and corporate bonds, it is noteworthy that treasury bonds are not taxed in China, mainly attracting the population. In our opinion, in Uzbekistan, the income tax on treasury bonds should be sharply reduced or abolished, and it is expedient to attract government securities to the secondary securities market.

The volume and composition of the securities market in the Republic of Uzbekistan are reflected in the state of formation of the stock market infrastructure. The total volume of the stock market in the country amounted to 17,340 billion soums in 2017. The share of the primary securities market (QSB) was 87%, and the secondary QQB was 13%. The republican securities market increased 23-fold in 2009-2017, with an increase in the share of primary securities in the structure of the trading volume.

The stock exchange is an organized securities market that, together with investment institutions, organizes the process of trading in securities. Attracting large sums of money for restructuring and modernization of joint-stock companies through exchange trades, and the newly established joint-stock companies are gaining additional financial resources to implement their investment projects. As a result of establishing the Republican Stock Exchange "Tashkent" and the implementation of trade transactions based on modern technologies in forming the securities

market in our country, all investors have the opportunity to participate comfortably and openly in the securities market.

Today, the main share of the stock market falls on the Republican Stock Exchange "Tashkent", which in 2018 will reach 687.3 billion soums. Soums. One of the most important tasks facing the capital market agency and the stock exchange is to increase the number of listing companies. A total of 13,750 transactions for the purchase and sale of securities were signed by 105 joint-stock companies listed on the stock exchange. The main ones are financial sector enterprises, which account for 88.8% or 610.3 billion soums of exchange turnover, 2.5% or 17.5 billion soums for the agro-industrial complex, 2.3% or 15.6 billion soums. The industrial sector accounted for 2.3% or 15.6 billion soums, construction companies and 2.4% or 16.5 billion soums for other sectors.

The official list of the Republican Stock Exchange "Tashkent" is divided into 4 categories: the number of companies meeting the requirements of category "A" is 14, 11 of which are commercial banks, 10 for category "B", 69 for category "C". and 12 companies meet the requirements of category "R" (state joint-stock companies).

The region with the largest share transactions among other regions is Tashkent, which accounted for 90.47% of total sales in 2017, and investors accounted for 41.9% of transactions in Tashkent. Fergana region occupied the next place, which accounted for 3.46% of total trade turnover. The volume of issues in 2010 decreased by almost 2 times compared to 2005. But the main reason for this was a sharp increase in the activity of commercial banks, which exceeded the normative capital of commercial banks.

Given the impact of several macroeconomic factors on the development of the stock market as a result of the study of the factors strongly influencing the investments in the stock market (economic growth, population savings and annual inflation) and the state of the stock market as a whole requires the gradual achievement of integrated development within the framework of macroeconomic policy.

Uzbekistan will be analyzed based on the increasing stock market index (UCI), which is recognized in world practice as a key indicator of stock market development. An econometric analysis of the simple, functional relationship of the factors affecting the improved index of the stock market of Uzbekistan based on data for 2012-2017 was conducted. This econometric analysis was used to determine the long-term and short-term dependence of free and involuntary variables using the ARDL model. An econometric analysis, the assessment of the degree of influence of factors influencing the stock market index, is expressed in the following form:

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UCI = f(LJSM, MC, MDM, MMT,) (1)
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Here.

*UCI - stock market index (Uzbekistan Composite Index);* 

*LJSM* - the number of joint-stock companies traded on the stock exchange;

*MC* - level of market capitalization;

*MDM* - number of stock exchange transactions;

*MMT - exchange trade turnover;* 

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Extended Dickey-Fuller and Phillips-Perron unit root tests were performed to determine stationary. In our study, the extended Dickey-Fuller and Phillips-Perron tests variables LnUCI I (0), LnLJSM I (0), LnMDM I (0), and LnMMT I (0) were first in the zero difference, i.e., zero-order stationary,  $\Delta$ LnMC I (1). the procedure was found to be stationary. After the unit root test, a dependency test was performed to determine the reliability level of the result. The dissertation showed the existence of a long-term cointegration between free and free variables.

$$LnUCI_{t} = \varphi_0 + \beta_1 lnLJSM_{t-1} + \beta_2 lnMDM_{t-1} + \beta_2 lnMMT_{t-1} + \beta_3 \triangle lnMC_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \quad (2)$$

Based on formula (2) above, in our econometric analysis, a long-term correlation test was performed using the ARDL model to determine the influence degree of factors influencing the stock market index. The results of this test are reflected in the table below (Table 2).

According to Table 2, the market capitalization and exchange turnover from the ARDL ratios positively impact the stock market index UCI.

Table 2

Evaluation in the autoregressive distributed lag (ARDL) model

Variables	ARDL(1, 0, 0, 0, 2)				
	Coefficient	Default error	t- statistics	Probability	
LnUCI(-1)	0.096880	0.110717	0.875030	0.3849	
LnLJSM	0.182251	0.135962	1.340456	0.1850	
DLnMC	3.863287	1.014338	3.808678	0.0003***	
LnMDM	0.042505	0.068402	0.621393	0.5366	
LnMMT	0.338785	0.045951	0.844049	0.0401***	
LnMMT(-1)	0.025581	0.040202	0.636311	0.5269	
LnMMT(-2)	0.083996	0.041784	2.010260	0.0488	
С	8.386786	0.924062	9.075998	0.0000	

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Indicates statistical significance at 1%, \*\* statistical significance at 5%, \* statistical significance at 10%.

However, other factors, including the number of joint-stock companies traded on the stock exchange and exchange market transactions, were found to be statistically insignificant and had almost no effect on the independent variable. If the market capitalization increases by 1 unit without other factors (ceteris paribus), the stock market index (UCI) will increase by 3.86 points. If the stock exchange turnover increases by 1 unit, the stock market index will increase by 0.33 points.

It is advisable to check the short and long term dependence in the ARDL model to achieve a perfect and detailed result in econometric analysis. For the short-term coupling test, the elements of the error correction mechanism were placed in the econometric model and presented as follows.

$$\begin{split} lnUCI_t &= \alpha_0 + \sum_{t}^{p} \alpha_1 \, UCI_{t-t} + \sum_{t}^{q} \alpha_2 \, \triangle \, lnLJSM_{t-t} + \sum_{t}^{q} \alpha_3 \, \triangle \, lnMDM_{t-t} \\ &+ \sum_{t}^{q} \alpha_4 \, \triangle \, lnMMT_{t-t} + \gamma ECM_{t-1} + \varepsilon_t \end{split}$$

here:

 $\alpha_0$  – constant,  $\varepsilon_t$  – standard error,  $\alpha_1$ , ...,  $\alpha_6$  – short-term elasticity,  $\beta_1$ , ...,  $\beta_5$  – long-term elasticity, ECM – error correction factor,  $\gamma$  – the rate of change (coefficient of variability).

**Form of cointegration and short-term dependence test** 

Variable s	Coefficient	Default error	t- statistics	Probabilit y
D(LNLJSM)	0.182251	0.135962	1.340456	0.1850
D(DLNMC)	3.863287	1.014338	3.808678	0.0003***
D(LNMDM)	0.042505	0.068402	0.621393	0.5366
D(LNMMT)	0.338785	0.045951	0.844049	0.0401**
D(LNMMT(- 1))	0.083996	0.041784	2.010260	0.0488
CointEq(-1)	-1.096880	0.110717	-9.907094	0.0000
Cointeq = LNUCI - (-0.1662*LNLJSM -3.5221*DLNMC - 0.0388*LNMDM -0.0179*LNMMT + 7.6460)				

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Indicates statistical significance at 1%, statistical significance at \*\* 5%, statistical significance at \* 10%.

When we perform the cointegration form and short-term correlation test based on the data in Table 6 and the errors are corrected, the stock market index UCI positively affects market capitalization and stock turnover. Because, according to the hypothesis test, the market capitalization coefficient is positive, with a probability value of 0.0000. The stock turnover ratio

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is 0.0488, indicating that the reliability level is 95% significant. The error correction factor is CointEq (-1) with a probability value of 0.0000, and the reliability ratio is 99%. The error correction factor means that the short-term deviation from the long-term correction is 99 percent corrected each month. CointEq (-1) with a coefficient of -1.096880 indicates a correction of 1.09% for long-term and short-term deviations. According to the short-run correlation test, the stock market index shows that UCI has a positive and short-term correlation between market capitalization and stock turnover.

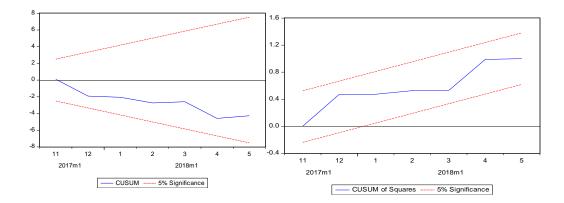
Table 4

Long-term dependency test

Variables	Coefficient	Default error	t- statistics	Probability
LnLJSM	0.166154	0.123713	1.343055	0.1842
DLnMC	3.522068	0.984141	3.578825	0.0007***
LnMDM	0.038750	0.061903	0.625980	0.5336
LnMMT	0.017896	0.068460	0.261407	0.7946
С	7.646035	0.371503	20.581364	0.0000

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Indicates statistical significance at 1%, statistical significance at \*\* 5%, statistical significance at \* 10%.

The data in Table 4 show that the long-term dependence test, on the other hand, has changed under the influence of factors. In particular, only the market capitalization positively affects the stock market index and is statistically significant. Moreover, the coefficient of these indicators is statistically significant, and the reliability of the impact of these coefficients is 99%. The remaining variables show that the stock market index will not be affected in the long run. In order to verify the robustness of our econometric model, it is advisable to perform a residual regressive residual summation (SUSUM) and regression residual squares (CUSUM of Squared) test. The result obtained showed that the sum of the regressive residuals (Fig. 1) and the sum of the squares of the regressive residues (Fig. 3) did not exceed the confidence interval of 5% and fluctuated in the limited range and the stability of the selected model.



test (CUSUM)

Figure 1. Regressive residual sum Figure 2. The sum of squares of regressive residues (CUSUM of Squared) test

The CUSUM test shows that the total sum of the variables residuals and the sum of the squares are also considered stable. It is because the statistical significance level of the residual interval did not exceed the 5% interval. Therefore, the econometric model formed based on the results of the SUSUM test can make long-term and short-term forecasts.

In summary, the results of an in-depth econometric analysis of the autoregressive distributed lag (ARDL) model show that the market capitalization and exchange turnover, which are free variables, have a short-term relationship to the free variable stock market index UCI. The market index will increase by 3.86 points. An increase in exchange turnover by 1 unit will increase the stock market index by 0.33 points.

The analysis mentioned above shows that the stock market of Uzbekistan has a development trend, but some problems need to be addressed. Attracting stable joint-stock companies to the stock exchange and increasing the number of listed companies as well as the instruments in circulation and their profitability, liquidity, development of the secondary securities market, maximum simplification of trades, securities of legal entities and citizens, and a large financial mechanism all demonstrated the need to implement targeted strategies to transform the system.

## **4 Discussion and Conclusion**

1. Prospects for the development of the stock market of Uzbekistan directly depend on the quality of its infrastructure. The level of services provided by the Fund's infrastructure to market participants that fully meet the needs of the developed market will increase its role in the mechanism of converting financial resources into investments in the real sector of the economy. And, conversely, the fact that today's market infrastructure lags behind the growing needs of market participants in its development may lead to the loss of the Russian national capital market. Large strategic issuers and investors are flocking to foreign markets to minimize risks and take

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advantage of additional opportunities that Western infrastructure can offer. Therefore, it indicates the need to take measures to improve the fund infrastructure of the country.

The results of the study can be presented in the following form:

- 1. The securities market is important in the economy. It has several functions, including the attraction of temporarily vacant financial resources in sectors of the economy, the efficient allocation and redistribution of financial and investment resources to promising sectors of the economy, public debt service, redistribution of ownership.
- 2. Raising the stock exchange mechanism to world standards, simplifying the requirements for listing and quotation of securities, creating an effective infrastructure by creating automated communication systems of the most important stock market infrastructure: exchanges, depositories, investment intermediaries and clearinghouses.
- 3. The reason that slows down the effective functioning of the mechanism of the securities market is the low network growth of investment institutions, the lack of highly qualified personnel. The lack of investment companies, consulting firms, management companies, nominal depositors, and underwriters in all regions almost limits the participation of the regions in the stock market (their share is less than 1%). Therefore, special attention should be paid to the formation of stock market infrastructure by regions.
- 4. It is expedient to establish an online remote organization of the general meeting of shareholders of joint-stock companies that are issuers of securities. Based on this, the documents and reports submitted to shareholders will be electronic, shareholders' time will be saved, transportation costs will be reduced, and all shareholders' quorum will be 100%.
- 5. It is necessary to systematize and improve the regulatory documents on the state of the securities market, its participants, the preparation and submission of the required information and reports on their securities and financial and economic activities.
- 6. The country has not developed a standard model for creating targeted strategies to shape the stock market's regulatory infrastructure. Therefore, the practice of forming a national model for Uzbekistan should be based on foreign experience, in line with the general goals and principles of national stock market regulation and the standards developed by the International Organization of Financial Market Regulators (IOSCO).
- 7. It is necessary to adopt a special law regulating the conflict between implementing the policy of active indirect state intervention, its powers and competencies, and all aspects of service activities, including legal norms and control functions within a single institution. This law strengthens the stock market and increases its capacity to create a competitive environment.
- 8. Stock market infrastructure institutions should focus on optimizing the cost structure, creating a risk management mechanism, implementing modern information technologies, strengthening human resources, expanding the range of services offered and disseminating information about them to as many potential consumers as possible. When these goals are achieved, infrastructure organizations will fully demonstrate their competitive advantages in practice.
- 9. As a result of in-depth econometric analysis, the factors most influencing the stock market index UCI are market capitalization and exchange turnover. These analyses show that our country's stock market has a development trend, but some problems need to be addressed. For example, it is necessary to attract financially stable joint-stock companies to the stock exchange, increase the number of listed companies and instruments in circulation and profitability, liquidity, develop the secondary securities market, increase public confidence in securities.

10. Strategies and tactics of stock market infrastructure development can be a strong incentive for the rapid development and efficient operation of the Uzbek stock market to eliminate the insignificant nature of the reforms and ensure the most efficient circulation of investment resources in the national economy.

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