

**1. BANK OF ALBANIA INTERVENTIONS IN THE MONEY MARKET AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET OVER 2015 Q1**

Table 1 Temporary open market operations  
(in ALL million\*)

DATE	R/REPO overnight	R/REPO 1-week	R/REPO 1-month
05.01.2015		16,600.00	3,000.00
08.01.2015		10,180.00	2,000.00
15.01.2015		17,270.00	1,400.00
20.01.2015	3,000.00		
21.01.2015	3,000.00		
22.01.2015		22,230.00	2,710.00
23.01.2015	4,170.00		
29.01.2015		18,820.00	3,000.00
05.02.2015		14,660.00	2,500.00
12.02.2015		11,070.00	1,650.00
19.02.2015		15,480.00	1,720.00
20.02.2015	1,190.00		
23.02.2015	2,770.00		
26.02.2015		16,160.00	3,000.00
05.03.2015		16,440.00	3,000.00
12.03.2015		14,920.00	2,950.00
19.03.2015		18,280.00	2,450.00
23.03.2015	5,460.00		
26.03.2015		20,760.00	3,000.00

1.1. Open market operations

Money market interventions during 2015 Q1 consisted in open market operations for injecting temporary liquidity and permanent operations for structuring Bank of Albania's portfolio.

**The total amount of injected liquidity averaged ALL 21.30 billion, from ALL 28.21 billion in 2014 Q4. The averaged injected liquidity was close to the level of 2014 Q1, when it amounted to around ALL 21.22 billion.**

To inject temporary liquidity, the Bank of Albania employed its main instrument, the one-week reverse repurchase agreement - on average, ALL 16.37 billion a week\*, and the one-month reverse repurchase agreement, on average, ALL 2.49 billion a week\*.

Overnight injecting transactions were employed in six cases, being concentrated at the end of the reserve maintenance period.

At the end of the first quarter 2015, it was restarted with the outright transactions, which aimed at lowering BoA's participation in T-bills. In 2015 Q1, an outright sale auction of six-months Treasury bills was organized for the amount of ALL 500 million. Hence, as at end of 2015 Q1, BoA's portfolio was ALL 500 million lower than at the beginning of the year.

1.2. Use of standing facilities

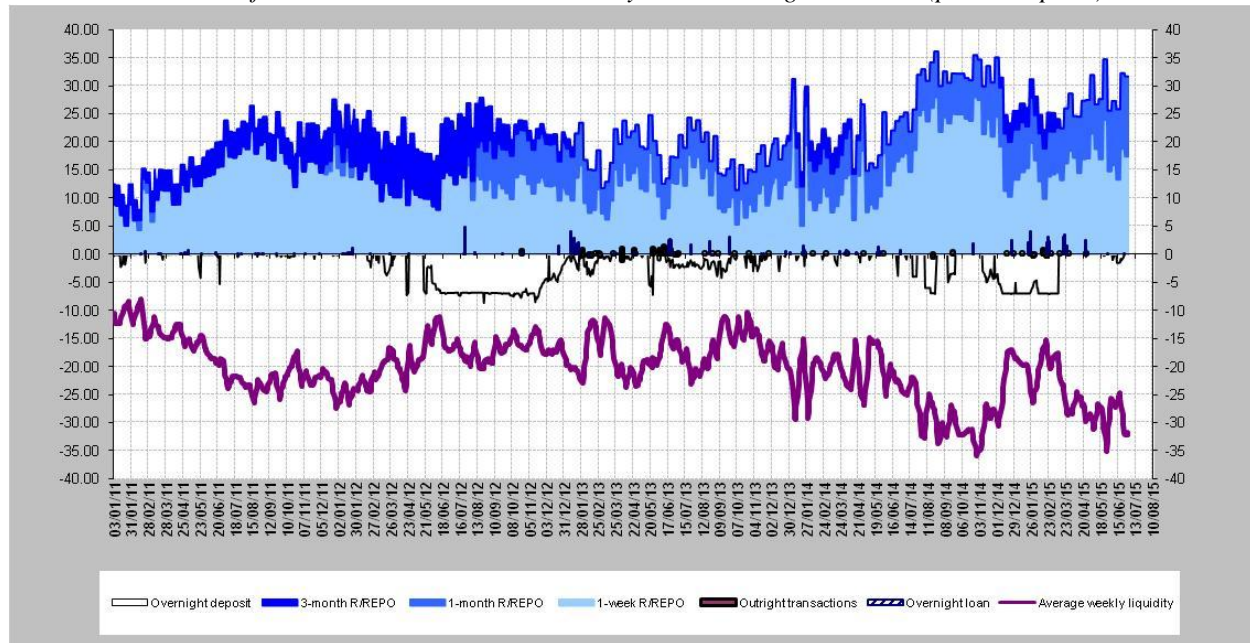
The overnight deposit facility was employed 46 times, averaging ALL 6.74 billion, against 35 cases in the previous quarter, averaging ALL 5.39 billion.

The overnight loan was employed in 10 cases, corresponding to the end of the maintenance period for ALL 2.61 billion, on average. In the previous quarter, overnight loan was employed twice, for ALL 1.95 billion and ALL 2.39 billion, respectively.

Chart 1 summarises Bank of Albania interventions in the money market during 2011-2015.

\* The figures are expressed in nominal value.

Chart 1 Bank of Albania interventions in the money market during 2011-2015 (purchase price)

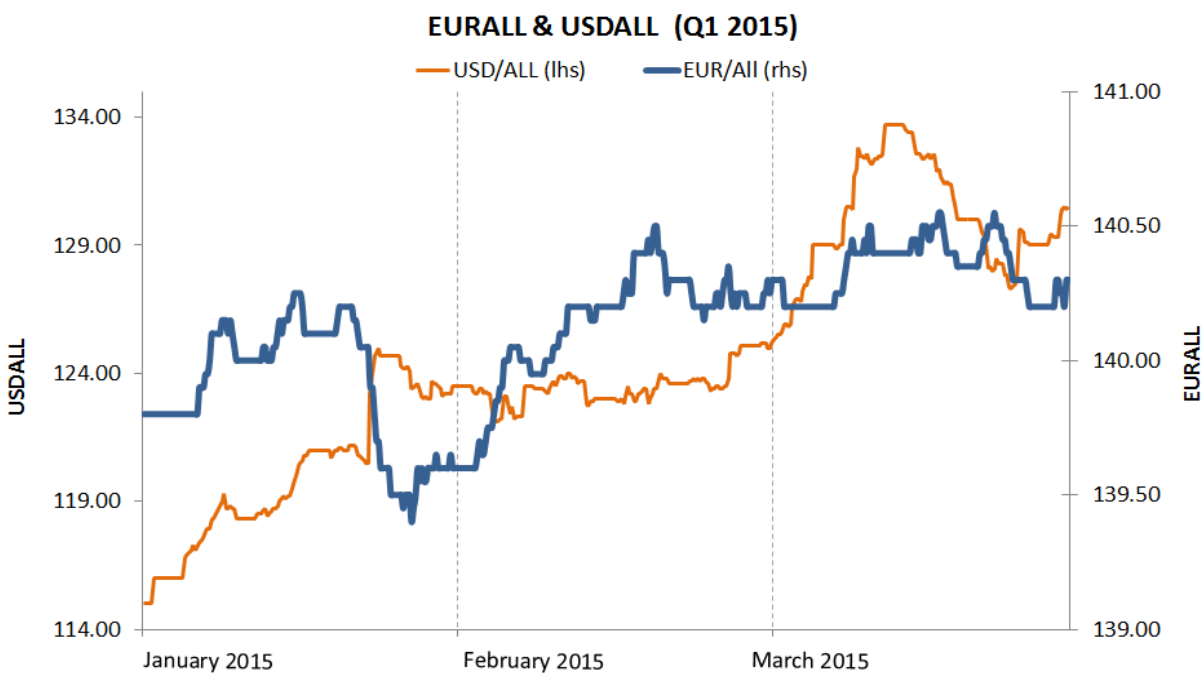


## 2. BANK OF ALBANIA INTERVENTIONS IN THE DOMESTIC FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET OVER 2015 Q1

### 2.1 Transactions with commercial banks

In 2015 Q1, the Bank of Albania did not intervene in the domestic foreign exchange market.

Chart 2 EUR/ALL and USD/ALL in Q1 2015



2.2 Transactions with other institutions

Foreign currency swap agreements between the Bank of Albania and the Ministry of Finance continued in 2015 Q1, upon the request by the latter, for its liquidity management purposes. Over the first quarter 2015, swap agreements averaged Euro 131.7 million a day, or around ALL 18.4 billion, from Euro 27.7 million a day during the previous quarter, or around ALL 4 billion. At the end of 2015 Q1, outstanding swap agreements were Euro 70 million and SDR 46 million, compared to Euro 120 million at the end of the previous quarter. As a result of swap agreements, Ministry of Finance's foreign currency purchase from the Bank of Albania amounted to ALL 97,423.35 million, and sales ALL 97,548.14 million.

Foreign currency purchases from foreign institutions are estimated at ALL 51.68 million (International Bank for Reconstruction and Development - IBRD and International Development Agency – IDA).

**Table 2** Foreign currency operations with other institutions

<b>Financial institution</b>	<b>Purchase of foreign currency</b>	<b>Sale of foreign currency</b>
Ministry of Finance	97,423.35	97,548.14
Other (IDA, IBRD)	51.68	