ARMECONOMBANK OJCS

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

ANNUAL DECLARATION

YEREVAN 2023

Corporate Governance Declaration: Descriptive part

Bank's name : ARMECONOMBANK OJSC Address : 23/1 Amiryan str, Yerevan 0002, RA Website: www.aeb.am

1. Introductory speech of the Chairman of the Board

The message of the Chairman of the Board can be found in the Annual Report.

http://www.aeb.am/uploads/Annual report 2021.pdf

The information stated in the Declaration is composed as of the end of 2022 (reporting year).

2. Corporate Structure

According to the requirements of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC's (hereinafter Bank) Charter and Corporate Governance Regulation, the Bank defined the following corporate structure:

a) General meeting of shareholders

b) The Board

c) The executive director of the Bank(CEO) who is also the Chairman of the Executive Board by position , Executive Board of the Bank.

Key shareholders of the Bank are as follows:

1. Sukiasyan Saribek Albert holds 621,955 shares, which makes 31.89 % of the chartered capital of the Bank.

2. Sukiasyan Khachatur Albert holds 301,782 shares, which makes 15.47% of Bank's chartered capital.

3. Sukiasyan Eduard Albert holds 201,841 shares , which makes 10.35 % of the bank's chartered capital.

3. General Meeting of the Shareholders(GM)

1. Annual general meeting and $\underline{1}$ extraordinary meeting was called in the accounting year. The annual meeting was convened in person, and the extraordinary general meeting was convened by means of remote voting.

2. The annual general meeting was held on 17.06.2022, the extraordinary general meeting was held on 22.02.2022.

3. The shareholders entitled to participate in the General Meeting of shareholders, in compliance

with the "Procedure of Preparation and Chairing of ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC General Meeting, received written notification <u>by mail/ E-mail/ in person/national newspaper until 27.05.22</u>, <u>(were informed by the notification published in" The Republic of Armenia" daily</u>) at least <u>21</u> days prio to GM (at least 30 days prior in case of remote meetings). The Agenda of the meeting and the appropriate documents were sent. The aforementioned became available to people having a right to participate in the General Meeting of shareholders on the Bank's website, Bank's Head office and branches.

The manner of providing Agenda, the information and documents related to the General Meeting to the shareholders entitled to participate in the Meeting, is defined by the Bank's Charter (paragraph 6.8) and is available on the Bank's website.

https://.aeb.am/media/2022/03/7098.pdf

4. The shareholders had an opportunity to participate through the authorized representative in compliance with the requirements of the existing Legislation.

5. The shareholders, pursuant to the procedure set by the paragraph 6.15 of the Bank's Charter, voted by cumulative voting.

6. The Agenda, the results of the voting and the minute of the Annual Meeting of shareholders are available on the Bank's website.

http://www.aeb.am/hy/owners/.

4. The Board *Board functions*

The exclusive competency of the Board is defined by the Article 8 and 6.14-6.28 paragraphs of the Bank's Charter, which are accessible at the Bank's website: https://aeb.am/media/2022/03/7098.pdf

Composition of the Board

As of 30.06.2022 the Bank's Board consists of 6 members including 6 non- executive members and 2 independent members.

According to the paragraph 10 of the Procedure, "independent" is deemed a member of the Board who:

1. has not been a member of senior management of the Bank or any company related thereto in the past 3 years except as a Board member.

2. has not received directly or indirectly any significant remuneration from the Bank or its associates in the past 3 years, except for the remuneration received as a Board member.

3. has no material business relationship with the Bank, including lending and borrowing relationships, or with its associates either directly, or as a partner, key shareholder, chief executive

or accountant, did not have any business relationship of material nature, including related to receiving or providing a loan, with the Bank or with people interconnected with the Bank over the last 3 years.

4. has not been a partner or employee of the current of former external auditor of the Bank, or a shareholder or employee of any of the affiliated Banks in the past 5 years.

5. has not served on the of the Bank for more than 6 years during last 10 years, and is not a family member of any of the persons referred to above.

6. is not a key shareholder or representative of key shareholder in case of listed banks. (the key shareholder is one holding more than 10% of the Bank's voting shares).

Board				
Position and the name	Executive ¹	non- executive ²	Independent	Member of the
				Board since
1.Saribek Sukiasyan	-	non- executive	-	1997
Arbert				
Chairman of the Board				
2. Ruben Hayrapetyan	-	non- executive	-	2014
Board Member				
3. Luiza Petrosyan	-	non- executive	-	2013
Board Member				
4. Aram Melikyan	-	non- executive	-	2012
Board Member				
5. Per Fischer	-	non- executive	independent	2018
Board Member				
6. Hrant Suvaryan	-	non-executive	independent	2020
Board Member				

The brief biography of the Board members , including details connected to the independent members of the Board, information on the dismissal and retirement of the Board members, their functions, as well as the information regarding memberships to Board communities are represented in the chart below:

Sukiasyan Saribek Albert

Chairman of the Board

Date of birth	07.09.1965
Citizenship	Republic of Armenia
Education	2000 Academic Degree of Candidate

	of Free points (granted by the resolution of
	of Economics (granted by the resolution of
	Economic Survey Institute)
	1991 One year in-absentia attendance of
	Economics Department for training of
	Agriculture Managers and Experts,
	Qualification of Agricultural Venture
	Organizer-Economist
	from 1982 to 1990 Yerevan Cattle-breeding
	and Veterinary Institute, Breeder - engineer
Profession	Engineer-economist, candidate of economics
Principal Position	The Chairman of the Board of
	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
Circumstance of being an independent Board	-
Member	
Date of appointment	27.06.1998
Current term of office	1 year
Working experience	25 years
Years with the Bank	19 years
Information on dismissal and retirement during	-
the year	
Professional experience during the last 3 years	from 1998 to date Chairman of
	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC 's Board
Direct or indirect shareholding owned in Bank	AMD 527,573 , 22.6 %
or related companies	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
	24.99 % , AMD 17,974,200 "SIL Concern" LLC"
	50 % , AMD 17,510,000 ''Sport Time''
	LLC
	25 %, AMD 53,387,550 "NAREK" LLC
	21 %, AMD 418,000,000 "SIL INSURANCE"
	CJSC
	24,97 % , AMD 4,896,500 "NOY GROUP"
	20 % AMD 10000 "BJNI GROUP" LLC
	25% , AMD 10,892,500 "TRANS SERVICE" LLC
	24,98 % , AMD 139,080,000 "Yerevan
	Alraghac'' CJSC
	15,9768 % ,5,983,000 "Yerevan Zovq factory"
	OJSC
	"Saturn Shinmontazh" LLC 50%, AMD 25,000
	25%, AMD 12,500 '' GRZO
	25%, AMD 12,500 '' GRZO INTERNATIONAL""

Memberships to the Bank's and other	-
companies' Board Committee(s)	
Duties and responsibilities	overall control/ supervision
Position in other companies (boards), is so far as	Deputy chairman of "SIL CONCERN" LLC
they relevant to the performance of duties of	
the board member	

Board Member (Deputy Chairman of the Board) Ruben Hayrapetyan

Date of birth	24.06.1980
Citizenship	Republic of Armenia
Education	1996-2000 Armenian Agricultural Academy,
	Faculty of Economics , economist
Profession	Economist
Principal Position	Deputy Chairman of the Board of
	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
Circumstance of being an independent Board	-
Member	
Date of appointment	02.08.2014
Current term of office	1 year
Working experience	21 years
Years spent at the Bank	21 years
Information on dismissal and retirement during	-
the year	
Professional experience during the last 3 years	09.11.2010-24.05.2013: Head of Loans and
	Resource
	Attraction Department
	07.06.2011-24.05.2013: Member of the Board of
	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
	24.05.2013-22.05.2014: Deputy CEO of
	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
	23.05.2014-29.06.2014: Advisor to CEO
	30.06.2014 to date: Member of the Board of
	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC

Direct or indirect shareholding owned in Bank or related companies	"ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC AMD 1,435, 0.01%
Memberships to the Bank's and other	Audit Committee
companies' Board Committees	
Duties and responsibilities	1. Overall supervision of Bank's Executive Board
	2. Overall supervision of problems/risks revealed
	during the activity of the Bank's internal and
	external audit
	3. Overall supervision of attraction and
	distribution of
	the bank's resources
	4. Overall supervision of the efficiency of the
	personnel management of the Bank
	5. Overall supervision of AML/CFT processes
Position in other companies (boards), is so far as	-
they relevant to the performance of duties of	
the board member	

Board Member, Secretary of the Board Luiza Petrosyan

Date of birth	19.09.1982
Citizenship	Republic of Armenia
Education	1999-2004 Yerevan State Institute of
	Economy in Mathematical methods and
	Transaction Analysis in Economy
Profession	Economist-mathematician
Principal Position	Board Member, Secretary of the Board of
	ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
Circumstance of being an independent Board	-
Member	
Date of appointment	23.07.2013
Current term of office	1 year
Working experience	18 years

Years spent at the Bank	18 years
Information on dismissal and retirement during the year	-
Professional experience during the last 3 years	01.02.2011 - 13.06.2013 Deputy Head of the International Operations Department ARMECONOMBANK OJSC 14.06.2013 to date: Board member, Secretary of the Board of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC,
Direct or indirect shareholding owned in Bank or related companies	"ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC, AMD 2,860, 0.01%
Memberships to the Bank's and other companies' Board Committee(s)	Audit Committee
Duties and responsibilities	 Overall supervision of Bank's Executive Board Overall supervision of problems/risks revealed during the activity of the Bank's internal and external audit Overall supervision of attraction and distribution of the bank's resources Coordination of development of corporate governance principles Overall supervision of AML/CFT processes
Position in other companies (boards), is so far as	-
they relevant to the performance of duties of the board member	

Board Member Aram Melikyan Board Member

Date of birth	27.04.1963
Citizenship	Republic of Armenia
Education	1980-1984 Yerevan State Institute of National Economy,

	Faculty of Planning and Economics, specialization-Economist
Profession	Economist
Principal Position	Board member of "ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC
Circumstance of being an independent Board Member	_
Date of appointment	01.08.2022
Current term of office	1 year
Working experience	36 years
Years spent at the Bank	36 years
Information on dismissal and retirement during the year	-
Professional experience during the last 3 years	 26 September 2007-29 June 2012- Deputy Head of Internal Audit Department of "ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC 29 June 2012- 01 August 2012- Advisor to the Chairman of Board, ARMECONOMBANK OJSC 01 August 2012-11.08.2016- Deputy Chairman of Board, "ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC 11.08.2026- till now Board member of "ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC
Direct or indirect shareholding owned in Bank or related companies	"ARMECONOMBANK" OJSC AMD 5,012, 0.12%
Memberships to the Bank's and other companies' Board Committees	-
Duties and responsibilities	 Overall supervision of the activity of the Executive Board of the Bank Overall supervision of problems/risks revealed during the activity of the Bank's internal and external audit Overall supervision of attraction and distribution of the bank's resources Overall supervision towards the accounting and
	accounting policy of the Bank 5. Overall supervision of the Bank's strategy

Position in other companies	-
(boards), is so far as they relevant	
to the performance of duties of the	
board member	

Board Member

Ruben Hayrapetyan

Date of birth	24.06.1980
Citizenship	Republic of Armenia
Education	Armenian Agricultural Academy, Department of Economics, Economist
Profession	Economist
Principal Position	Board Member of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
Circumstance of being an independent Board Member	-
Date of appointment	02.08.2014
Current term of office	1 year
Working experience	14 years
Years spent at the Bank	14 years
Information on dismissal and retirement during the year	-
Professional experience during the last 3 years	09.11.2010-24.05.2013 Head of Loans and Resource Attraction Department 07.06.2011-24.05.2013 Member of the Board of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC 24.05.2013-22.05.2014 Deputy CEO of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC 23.05.2014-29.06.2014 Advisor of the Chairman of Executive Board 30.06.2014 to date Member of the Board of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
Direct or indirect shareholding owned in Bank or related companies	-
Memberships to the Bank's and other	-

companies' Board Committees	
Duties and responsibilities	1. Activities related to the Bank's Executive Board
	2. Problems/risks revealed during the
	activity of the Bank's internal and external audit
	3. Attraction and distribution of the bank's resources
	4. Process of AML/CFT
	5. Bank's Strategy
	6. Policy of plastic cards' issuance
	7. Application-compliance of the
	customers /Ombudsman/
Position in other companies (boards), is so far as	-
they relevant to the performance of duties of	
the board member	

Board Member

Per Fischer

Date of birth	19.09.1949
Citizenship	Germany
Education	1978: Graduated from the University of
	Göttingen, Slavic Department 1985: graduated
	from the University of Hamburg, Department of
	Economics; Major: Economics.
Profession	Economist
Principal Position	Board Member of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
Circumstance of being an independent Board	Independent
Member	
Date of appointment	29.06.2018
Current term of office	1 year
Working experience	32 years
Years spent at the Bank	6 years
Information on dismissal and retirement during	-
the year	
Professional experience during the last 3 years	2003 – 2016: German-Ukrainian Forum, Board
	Member, Treasurer. 2003 – 2019: Commerzbank
	Eurasia, Supervisory Board Member. 2007 to

	present: German-Russian Forum, Board
	Member, Treasurer.
	2010 – 2014: German-Turkmen Forum, Board
	Member.
	2014 to present: Bank Center Invest (Rostov on
	Don, RF) Supervisory Board Member and
	Independent Director in charge of Strategic
	Development.
	2015 – 2019: OSCE Trilateral Contact Group,
	Coordinator of the Working Group on
	Economic Issues and Rehabilitation.
	2016 – 2019: Belarusbank (Minsk, Belarus),
	Supervisory Board Member and Independent
	Director.
Direct or indirect shareholding owned in Bank	
or related companies	
Memberships to the Bank's and other	Audit Committee
companies' Board Committees	
Duties and responsibilities	Coordination of work on implementation of
	international expertise in the banking
	operations
Position in other companies (boards), is so far as	Is a Board Member of Center Invest bank
they relevant to the performance of duties of	(Rostov-on-Don, RF), independent auditor
the board member	
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Board Member

Hrant Suvaryan

Date of birth	07.07.1958
Citizenship	Republic of Armenia
Education	1974 - 1979: Yerevan Institute of People's
	Economy 1985: Completed Post-Graduate Study
	at Normatives and Planning Research Institute
	affiliated with USSR State Planning Authority.
Profession	Economist
Principal Position	Board Member of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC
Circumstance of being an independent Board	-
Member	

Date of appointment	30.06.2020
Current term of office	1 year
Working experience	42 years
Years spent at the Bank	3 years
Information on dismissal and retirement during the year	-
Professional experience during the last 3 years	2002 - 2020: Central Bank of Armenia, Head of Financial Control Department 2020 to present: ARMECONOMBANK OJSC, Member of the Board
Direct or indirect shareholding owned in Bank or related companies	-
Memberships to the Bank's and other companies' Board Committees	Audit Committee
Duties and responsibilities	 General supervision of Executive Board activities General supervision of issues/risks identified by internal and external auditors. General supervision of resource attraction and placement. General supervision of accounting operations and policies. General supervision of the Bank's strategy.
Position in other companies (boards), is so far as	
they relevant to the performance of duties of the board member	

During 2022 the Board of the Bank convened 40 meetings, 0 of which with remote voting. The participation of the Board Members to the meetings has the following image:

Position and name	Participation in	Participation	Number of
	the meetings	with remote	meetings that
	personally	voting	should be attended
1. Chairman of the Board	38	0	40
Saribek Sukiasyan Albert			
2. Board Member	37	0	40
Ruben Hayrapetyan			
3. Board Member	38	0	40
Luiza Petrosyan			
4. Board Member	39	0	40
Aram Melikyan			
5. Board Member	40	0	40
Per Fischer			
6. Board Member	36	0	40
Hrant Suvaryan			

Board Performance Evaluation

The Board of the Bank elaborated assessment policy, that is "Procedures and regulations of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC's Board activities"

The Board of the Bank implemented self- assessment in compliance with the assessment standards, policy and procedure defined in the aforementioned Order.

The main proposals made as a result of the assessment are.

The activity of the Board of 2022 has been assessed as good.

5. Board Commissions

The Board of the Bank finds inappropriate to develop commissions, taking into account the quantity of the members, for the same members cannot be repeated in the commissions.

Audit Committee The Bank has an Audit Committee.

6. Executive Body

The Executive Board of the Bank consists of 9 members.

The Chairman of the Executive Board (CEO)

Aram Khachatryan Date of birth	29.08.1983	
Education	2006 –2008 graduated from Armenian State	
	Engineering University, Master's degree in	
	Engineering	
	2008, Faculty of Enterprise Economics and	
	Management (in the field of communications)	
	Bachelor of Engineering, Diploma with Honor	
Work experience	17 years	
Main qualification	Engineer	
Years spent at the Bank	17 years	
Memberships to the Bank's and other	-	
companies' Board Committees		
Duties and responsibilities	 disposes property of the Bank, including financial assets, and concludes transactions on behalf of the Bank represents the Bank in RA and in foreigr countries acts without letter of attorney gives letter of attorney signs agreements, including job agreements, in compliance with defined procedure submits the candidacy of his deputies to the approval of the Board submits the Executive Board's Regulation to the approval of the Board within the limits of his authorization gives instructions, compulsory orders and controls the execution of the latter distributes the responsibilities between his deputies and members of Bank's Executive Board hires and dismisses employees pursuant to the order defined by the Legislation gives incentives to the employees and used disciplinary punishment in compliance with the approved Procedure perform other authorities in connection with current management of the Bank envisaged by the Charter 	

Deputy Chairman of the Executive Board (Deputy CEO) Artak Araqelyan

Date of birth	28.05.1981
Education	2003-2004 Institute of Economic Research of
	The Ministry of Finance and Economy of
	Armenia, Candidate of Economic Sciences
	1998-2003 Yerevan State Institute of Economics
Working experience	18 years
Major qualification	Economist, Candidate of Economic Sciences
Years spent at the Bank	18 years
Memberships to the Bank's and other	-
companies' Board Committees	
Duties and responsibilities	Executes activities set by 6.32 Section of the
	Charter

Deputy Chairman of the Executive Board (Deputy CEO)

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Ruben Badalyan	
Date of birth	13.05.1979
Education	1995-2000 Yerevan Institute of People's
	Economy, the faculty of Economics
Work experience	20 years
Major qualification	Economist
Years spent at the Bank	20 years
Memberships to the Bank's and other companies' Board Committees	-
Duties and responsibilities	Executes activities set by 6.32 Section of the
	Charter

Deputy Chairman of the Executive Board (Deputy CEO) Onik Chichyan

Date of birth	19.03.1977
Education	1996-2000 Armenian Agricultural Academy,
	Economics Faculty, Accounting and Audit,
	Economist
Profession	Economist
Working experience	21 years

Major qualification	Economist
Years spent at the Bank	20 years
Memberships to the Bank's and other companies' Board Committees	-
Duties and responsibilities	Executes activities set by 6.32 Section of the Charter

Deputy Chairman of the Executive Board (Deputy CEO) Astghik Manrikyan

Date of birth	30.09.1982
Education	2007-2009 ECMU, Business Administration,
	General Provisions, Masters
	2003-2005 Yerevan State University, the
	Faculty of Oriental Studies, Masters, Diploma
	with Honor
	1999-2003 Yerevan State University, the
	Faculty of Oriental Studies, Bachelor, Diploma
	with Honor
Working experience	17 years
Major qualification	Economist, Orientalist
Years spent at the Bank	17 years
Memberships to the Bank's and other	-
companies' Board Committees	
Duties and responsibilities	Executes activities set by 6.32 Section of the
	Charter

Member of the Executive Board

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Arpine Pilosyan				
Date of birth	11.02.1983			
Education	2000-2004 Yerevan State University of			
	Economics, Faculty of Economics, Bachelor's			
	degree			
	2004-2006 Public Administration Academy of the			

	Republic of Armenia, Economics, Management, Masters,
	Diploma with honor
	17
Working experience	17 years
Major qualification	Economist
Years spent at the Bank	17 years
Memberships to the Bank's and other	-
companies' Board Committees	
Duties and responsibilities	Executes activities set by 6.32 Section of the
	Charter

Member of the Executive Board

13.04.1971		
2000-2004 Yerevan State University of		
Economics, Faculty of Economics, Bachelor's		
degree		
2004-2006 Public Administration Academy of the		
Republic of Armenia, Economics, Management,		
Masters,		
Diploma with honor		
35 years		
Economist		
24 years		
-		
Executes activities set by 6.32 Section of the		
Charter		

Member of the Executive Board

Hayk Avetisyan				
Date of birth	20.12.1979			
Education	2004 Degree of Doctor of Economics			
	2001-2004 Yerevan State Institute of			
	Economics, postgraduate course			
	1996-2001 Yerevan State Institute of			

	Economics,Engineer-economical,faculty, Mathe			
	matical Methods and Transaction Analyse			
	department, Qualification			
	Economist-Mathematician, Diploma with			
	Honors			
Working experience	18 years			
Major qualification	Economist-mathematician			
Years spent at the Bank	18 years			
Memberships to the Bank's and other	-			
companies' Board Committees				
Duties and responsibilities	Executes activities set by 6.32 Section of the			
	Charter			

Member of the Executive Board

Vrej Jhangiryan

Date of birth	29.03.1980				
Education	2000-2002	Yerevan	State	University,	
	Department o	of Law, Mast	er's Degre	ee	
	1996-2000	Yerevan	State	University,	
	Department of	Department of Law, Lawyer, Bachelor's Degree,			
	Diploma of E	xcellence			
Working experience	22 years				
Major qualification	Lawyer				
Years spent at the Bank	10 years				
Memberships to the Bank's and other	-				
companies' Board Committees					
Duties and responsibilities	Executes acti	ivities set by	y 6.32 Se	ection of the	
	Charter				

7. The Internal Audit

The Internal Audit is carried out by the Internal Audit Subdivision, which is accountable to the Board.

The Internal Audit Department acts in compliance with the Article 27 of the Bank's Charter.

8. Corporate Secretary

The Bank does not have a corporate secretary. The functions of the latter are reserved for Luiza Petrosyan, the Secretary of the Board. The Secretary carries out her functions in compliance with Article 22 of the Bank's Charter approved by the Board.

9. External Audit

The external auditor of the Bank is selected every year through contest in accordance with the existing Procedure. "Grant Thornton" CJSC won in the contest of the external Auditor for 2022, and has been implementing the functions of external auditor since 2019.

The relationship between the Bank and the External Auditor is regulated according to Article 28 of the Charter.

Pursuant to the Article 28 of the Charter, the Bank elaborated standards to determine the independence of external auditor from the Bank.

10. Annual Report

The Annual Report of the Bank was submitted and approved in the General Meeting of Shareholders on 17.06.2021.

The Annual Report includes all the information required by Article 23 of the Code and is published on the website of the Bank.

http://www.aeb.am/uploads/Annual report 2021.pdf

Signed on <u>11.05.2022</u>

Chairman of the Board

Chairman of the Executive Board

	Corporate Governance Regulation	Yes/No	Comments / Explanation
	Issues		
The o	competency of the General Meeting of Sharehol	ders(GM)	and the rights of shareholders
1.	The Bank's Charter and the appropriate procedures envisage clear orders, which allow the shareholders to contact the Bank before the Meeting and discuss the issues submitted for the voting.	Yes	clauses 6.2-6.20
2.	The shareholders were provided with the agenda of the General Meeting of shareholders and with other relevant documents at least 15 days before the date of calling the General Meeting.	Yes	The Annual General Meeting was held on 17.06.2022. The shareholders entitled to participate in the Meeting, pursuant to the Procedure of Preparation and Chairing of ARMECONOMBANK OJSC Annual Meeting of shareholders, received written <i>notification by post, E-mail or delivery in</i> <i>person until 27.05.22 , (were informed by the notification</i> <i>published in'' The Republic of Armenia'' daily newspaper)</i> at least 21 days before the date of calling the general meeting. The Agenda of the meeting and the appropriate documents were made available to eligible shareholders at the Bank's website, Bank's Head Office and branches.
3.	The Agenda of the Meeting shall include the drafts of resolutions for issues to be voted, as well as the name of the candidate of the auditor presented to the approval of the GM by Board/	Yes	The Agenda and appropriate documents were sent to the persons entitled to attend GM and made available at the Bank's website, Head Office and branches
4.	The policies existing in the Bank and referred to in the Charter provide explicit procedures that allow the shareholders to vote in-absentia through voting ballots.	Yes	
5.	The Bank's Charter determines clear procedures, which allow the shareholders to assign a representative in accordance with the requirements of the current Legislation.	Yes	

Appendix 2 Corporate Governance Declaration: "Comply or explain"

Corpo	rate Governance Regulation	Yes/No	Explanations / commentary
Issues			
6.	Whether the shareholders vote by ballot papers at GM (This procedure may not apply to companies with a single shareholder).	Yes	
7.	Whether the shareholders have the right to raise questions up to 10 days in advance of summoning GM.	Yes	
8.	Whether the Board answered the Shareholder's questions during the Meeting.	Yes	
9.	Whether the shareholders are entitled to ask questions at GM.	Yes	
10.	Whether the Board gave answers to all the questions raised.	Yes	
Polic	y of payment of dividends		

	Corporate Governance Regulation	Yes/	Comments / Explanation
	Issues	No	1
11.	The Bank has a Procedure on payment of dividends, which has been drafted and approved by the Board and published at the Bank's website.	Yes	https://aeb.am/ media / 2022 / 08 /8070. pdf
12.	The Procedure on payment of dividends includes the dividends' minimum payout ratio.	No	
The B	Board		
13.	The Bank has established a Board with clearly defined duties and functions which are published at the bank's website.	Yes	
14.	Whether the Board composes a report on the Bank's compliance with the provisions of the Code.	Yes	
15.	Whether the Board appoints and dismisses the CEO, as well as develops a collective executive authority (if prescribed), appoints and dismisses its members.	Yes	
16.	Whether non-executive members form majority in the Board and at least two of them are independent	Yes	All the members of the board are non- executive directors. The Board has two independent members.
17.	The Board Committees shall conduct an annual review of the Bank's Internal corporate documents(Charter, Procedures, ect.) in the area of their competence, and make recommendations to the Board on appropriate changes once a year.	Yes	Audit Committee
18.	Board committees shall report to the Board on regular basis, but not later than once every three months. The Board committees submit such a report after each session within the appropriate time. Committee meetings shall precede the regular Board meetings.	Yes	
19	The Board committee members shall participate in the activities and work of the committee and attend all sessions.	Yes	
The a	ppointment of Board Members		
20.	The presentation of the candidates for Board membership includes a brief description of the particular candidate's position and biography, which sets forth the potential duties, functions, and personal details.	Yes	
21.	The description of the positions and brief biography of the proposed candidates Board membership have been	Yes	

	30 days prior to GM.	Yes	Comments / Explanation
The E	Board: Performance monitoring		
22.	Pursuant to the evaluation policy, the	Yes	Responsible Body- The Board
	Board monitors the performance of the		https://aeb.am/media/2017/12/260.pdf
	executive authority.		
23	The Board implements annual	Yes	
	evaluation of its performance in		
	compliance with the established		
	evaluation policy.		
Atten	dance of Board Meetings		
24.	The Information on Board Members	Yes	
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	attendance to the Meetings is included		
	in the descriptive part of the CG Declaration and/ or in the Bank's		
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mor	mation on board Members	1	1
25.	As required by the Bank's Charter, the	Yes	
	information on Board Members was		
	included in the descriptive part of CG		
	Declaration and/ or in the Bank's		
	Annual Report.		
Annu	al plan of the Board Meetings		
26.	Board Meetings of SOEs and Listed	Yes	
	companies shall be held at least once a		
	quarter.		
27.	The Board meetings are called pursuant	Yes	
	to the approved annual plan. The		
	Agenda of the Meeting and		
	accompanying documents are sent to	1	
	the Board Members at least 10 days in		
	advance of the Meeting.		
Chair	man of the Board		
28.	The Chairman of the Board is distinct	Yes	
	from the CEO.		
29	The Bank's Charter clearly	Yes	6.28, 6.29-6.30 paragraphs of the Charter
	distinguishes the responsibilities		
	between the Chairman of the Board		
	and the CEO.		
30	The Chairman of the Board ensures	Yes	
	that the new members of the Board		
	receive a full and formal notification		
	about the Bank and their duties. The		
	Bank developed special training		
	program for the Board Members.		

31	The Bank's Charter includes provisions,	No	Regulated by existing Procedures and
	which release the Board Members from		Orders, in compliance with the
	compensation of losses arising from the		requirements of the Legislation
	implementation of their duties. The		
	Bank has been insured against the risk		
	of losses arising from the activity of		
	Board Members.		
Audit	Committee		
32.	Companies shall establish an audit	Yes	Audit Committee
	committee comprised of non- executive		
	directors, where the chairman and a		
	majority of the members shall be		
	independent.		
33.	All the members of the Audit	Yes	
	Committee have appropriate		
	qualification in the issues related to		
	finance, accounting, audit and internal		
	control		
34	Audit Committee monitors the	-	
	integrity of the Bank's Financial		
	Statements and any announcements of		
	the Bank's financial performance,		
	reviewing significant financial		
	reporting judgments contained in them		
	and submits proposals to the Board and		
	GM regarding their approval thereof.		
35	Audit Committee meets with the		
	external auditor at least once a year to		
	discuss matters related to audit.		
36	Audit Committee is responsible for	-	
	reviewing the Bank's internal control,		
	internal audit, as well as risk		
	management systems.		

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37.	Audit Committee shall submit	-	
	recommendations to the Board with		
	regard to the selection of the external		
	auditor and work conditions thereof,		
	which shall be referred to GM to be		
	considered for submitting to the final		
	approval.		
38.	Audit Committee developed	-	
	independence criteria for external		
	auditor.		
39.	Audit Committee considered the	-	
	independence of the external auditor		
	according to the established		
	standards, and the results were		
	included in the Annual Report.		
40.	Audit Committee keeps the Agendas	Yes	
	of its meeting.		
Interna	l Audit		
41.	Internal auditor is appointed and	No	Members of Internal Audit are appointed
	dismissed upon the consent of Audit		and dismissed by the Board
	Committee.		
42.	Internal auditor is accountable	No	The Internal Audit is accountable directly to
	directly to the Audit Committee.		the Board
43.	Internal auditor acts in compliance	No	Internal Audit acts according to the
	with the annual work plan established		Annual Plan approved by the Board , and
	by Audit Committee, and periodically		periodically reports thereof to the Board
	reports the Audit Committee about		
	that.		
44.	Internal auditor is entitled to review	Yes	
	the adequacy of internal control and		
	implementation of internal control		
	procedures.		
Externa	al Audit		
45.	The Bank's external auditor shall not	Yes	Board, Executive Board
	provide not -audit services listed in sub		
	-paragraph 2, Paragraph 28 of the		
	Charter		
46.	The amount of remuneration of	No	The amount of remuneration paid to the
	external auditor was approved by the		external auditor was approved by the
	GM.		Board in compliance with the
			requirements of the current Legislation.

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	Issues		
47.	The Bank has a rotation policy for	Yes	The Bank developed a procedure for
	external auditor.		selection of independent auditor
Other	Board Committees		
48.	The Board established other board	Yes	The Bank has Audit Committee. The
	committees		Board of the Bank finds it inexpedient to
			form other committees taking into
			account the number of the members of
			the Board in order to avoid having the
			same persons in different committees.
49.	All the Board committees shall	Yes	
	function according to their		
	procedures, which should define their		
	functions, role and responsibilities.		
50.	The Board should establish	-	The functions of risk- management,
	risk-management, strategic planning		strategic planning committees are
	and investment committee charged		implemented by the Strategy and Risk
	with specific responsibilities.		Management Department of the Bank.
			The functions of investment committee
			are implemented by the relevant
			managerial bodies, Asset and Liability
			Committee, and Dealing Center
			Department.
51.	The Board committees shall report to	Yes	Audit Committee
	the Board on a regular basis, but not		
	less than once every 3 months.		
	Committees shall make such reports as		
	soon as feasible after every meeting.		
	The committee meetings shall precede		
	the regular board meetings.		
52.	Board committee members shall	Yes	
	participate in activities and work of		
	the committee, and attend all		
	meetings.		

	Corporate Governance Regulation Issues	Yes/No	Comments / Explanation
53.	The Board appointed a corporate secretary, which is accountable to the Board. The corporate secretary helps to facilitate the efficient administration of Board meetings, including their planning, calling, conducting, record- keeping in compliance with the Bank's by-laws and Bank's procedures. The Board determines the description of position and the level of remuneration of the corporate secretary.	Yes	The Bank does not have corporate secretary. The functions of corporate secretary are entitled to the <u>Board</u> <u>Member, Board Secretary Luiza</u> <u>Petrosyan</u>
54.	The corporate secretary assists the Chairman of the Board on the company's compliance with corporate governance requirements of RA laws, this Code, the Bank's charter and other relevant laws or regulations.	Yes	
Disclo:	sure and Transparency of information		
Annua 55.	I reportThe Bank compiled the AnnualStatement of the accounting yearhave been submitted it to theapproval of the Board. The Annualstatement was published on theBank's website.	Yes	
56.	The Annual Report contains financial statements composed in accordance with the international financial reporting standards.	Yes	
57.	The Annual Report includes information addressed to the beneficiaries, which enables to assess the role of Bank in the fields of economic stability, social welfare and environmental safety.	Yes	

58.	The Annual Report includes	Yes	https://www.aeb.am/uploads/Annual rep
	information on Bank's code of		<u>ort 2021.pdf</u>
	ethics, and reference to the bank's		
	web site where the code of ethics		
	is posted.		
59.	The Annual report contains CG	Yes	
	Statement on compliance with the		
	Code and/or detailed		
	explanations of non-compliance		
	and the reasons thereof.		
60.	The Annual Report includes	No	
	information on single or several		
	interconnected transactions		
	signed with related parties, which		
	exceed 2% of the Bank's assets,		
	and detailed description of the		
	Bank's policy and procedures for		
	approval or verification of such		
	transactions. Should such		
	transactions between the bank		
	and related parties exist, the ratio		
	of related party transactions, the		
	number of transactions executed		
	by each group of related parties,		
	and the evaluation of the fairness		
	of related party transaction		
	conditions shall be disclosed. The		
	absence of such transactions shall		
	be explicitly stated.		
61.	The Annual Report includes the	Yes	
	external auditor's opinion		
62,	The Annual Report includes the	No	the list of key shareholders(more than
	list of the Bank's shareholders		10%) is posted on the Bank's website:
	owning significant (greater than		https://www.aeb.am/hy/significant
	10%) stock directly or indirectly.		participants/

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Issues		

63.	The Annual Report includes the	No	
	list of the parties related to the		
	bank and the list of related party		
	transactions which exceed 2		
	percent of the Bank's assets.		
64.	The Annual Report includes	No	The annual report includes the names of
01.	names and brief biographies of	110	Board members.
	directors, including names of		board memoers.
	members considered independent,		
	as well as the names of the Board		
	members who have resigned or		
	discharged during the year, data		
	on remuneration of all persons		
	who have held a Board member's		
	position during the year and the		
	attendance of the Board sessions		
	by them.		
65.	The Annual Report includes the	No	The Annual Report includes the name of
05.	names and remuneration of	110	external auditor and the audit report
	external auditors as well as the		
	result of the verification of their		
	independence.		
66.	The annual report includes	No	The Annual Report includes the list of
	description of the company's		Bank's branches.
	structure, including subsidiaries,		The Bank's Corporate Structure is posted
	branches and parent companies		on the Bank's website
	and cross-shareholdings with		https://www.aeb.am/media/2019/11/3126
	other group or affiliated		.pdf
	companies.		
67	The Annual Report includes the	Yes	
	CEO's summary report for the		
	operations of the previous year,		
	the risk factors, the prospects for		
	the coming year, the Bank's		
	strategy, the major transactions		
	made during the year, the major		
	changes related to the		
	entrepreneurial activity,		
	explanations of any significant		
	changes in financial results as		
	compared with the indicators of		
	the previous year, proposals for		
	profit allocation and distribution		

	including the payment of dividends.		
68.	The Annual Report includes the remuneration of Board Members, CEO and chief accountant.	No	
69. The B	The Annual Report includes the number, category or categories of the issued shares and a summary of shareholder rights by category. ank's Website	Yes	The Bank has issued only common shares. The rights for each class of shareholders are defined by the Charter. <u>https://aeb.am/media/2022/03/7098.pdf</u>
70.	The Bank has a website, which includes a section dedicated to the corporate governance.	Yes	https://www.aeb.am/hy/corporate_gover nance/
71.	The Bank's website should include Corporate Governance Statements for the last 3 years.	Yes	
72.	The Bank's website, the section for corporate governance, and the documents placed there are available in a foreign language as well.	Yes	
73	The corporate governance section of the website contains the state registration certificate and the Charter of the company with all effective amendments.	Yes	
74.	The section of the Corporate Governance includes information about Board Members and executive authority, including brief biography and descriptions of positions.	Yes	The Bank's website includes information on Board Members and executive authority of the Bank, including their brief biography and descriptions of positions.https://www.aeb.am/hy/bank_management/
75.	The corporate governance section of the website contains the regulations of the Board, committees at the Board, and a description of Corporate Secretary's office duties.	No	

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	Issues		
76.	The Corporate Governance	No	
	section of the Bank's website		
	includes the Bank's policy for the		
	annual evaluation of the Board.		
77.	The Corporate Governance	Yes	The minutes of the Counting Committee
	section of the Bank's website		of the GM for the last 5 years are posted
	includes the minutes of the GM		on the Bank's website:
	for the last 5 years.		https://www.aeb.am/hy/owners/
78.	The Corporate Governance	Yes	The policy on payment of approved
	section of the Bank's website		dividends is posted on the Bank's
	includes the policy of payment of		website:
	approved dividends.		https://aeb.am/media/2022/08/8070.pdf
79.	The Corporate Governance	Yes	The Bank's structure is posted on the
	section of the Bank's website		Bank's website:
	includes Bank's structure and		https://aeb.am/media/2019/11/3126.pdf
	cross-shareholdings.		
80.	Bank's Annual Reports for the	Yes	Bank's Annual Reports for the past 3
	past 3 years are posted on the		years are posted on the Bank's website:
	Corporate Governance section of		https://www.aeb.am/hy/hashvetvutyunn
	the website.		<u>er/</u>
Code o	f Ethics		
81.	The Bank has adopted a Code of	Yes	https://aeb.am/media/2022/09/8125.pdf
	Ethics.		
82.	The Code of ethics includes	Yes	https://aeb.am/media/2022/09/8125.pdf
	provisions on the corporate		https://aeb.am/media/2022/06/7968.pdf
	values, business conduct,		
	relationship with the state and		
	officials, as well as relationships		
	with competitors.		

	Corporate Governance Regulation Issues	Yes/No	Comments / Explanation
83.	The Code of Ethics includes provisions on reporting of breaches of the code of ethics and protecting the confidentiality of reporting such breaches,	Yes	
84. Supple	The Bank has appointed an officer in charge of monitoring the compliance with the Code of Ethics. mentation of Chartered Capital	No	
85.	The Board has immediately informed all shareholders on decisions to supplement the charter capital.	Yes	As required by the existing legislation, the Bank's Charter specifies the number of the declared shares, within which the Board may execute open placement of shares in accordance with the existing procedures and law.
Benefic	ciaries		
86.	The Board defined the scope of beneficiaries that are relevant to its operations, have legitimate interests and expectations from the Company.	No	
87.	The Bank has adopted a policy aimed at taking into account the interests and expectations of beneficiaries.	Yes	The Procedure of ARMECONOMBANKOJSC on accepting application- complaints, discussing and making decision on themhttps:aeb.am/media/2023/04/8877.pdfOmbudsmanVrej Jhangiryan
88.	The Board defined and disclosed relevant policies and procedures on establishing relationships with its beneficiaries and discloses their implementation thereof on annual basis.	Yes	
89.	The sections related to the annual reports and corporate governance of the Bank's website are accessible to the beneficiaries.	Yes	