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**Licences of financial brokerage firms.** As of 31 December 2015, six financial brokerage firms operated in Lithuania's market for financial instruments. One of them held an A category licence, six had B category licences and one — a C category licence of a financial brokerage firm. In 2015, the number of financial brokerage firms decreased by two. In February 2015, the operating license of one firm, *UAB FMJ MRC Markets*, was revoked by request of its sole shareholder. By the decision of the Board of the Bank of Lithuania, the financial brokerage firm license for *UAB FMJ FINVESTA* was revoked on 28 March 2015. Its licence was revoked as it neither provided the conditions for the supervisory authority to conduct effective supervision of the firm, nor ensured the protection of the customer's assets entrusted to the firm. It also provided customers with misleading information, and, in the provision of investment services, the firm was represented by a Head that did not have proper qualifications. Taking into account the request of the public limited liability company financial brokerage firm *Finasta*, the Board of the Bank of Lithuania, by a decision of 15 December 2015, revoked its B category financial brokerage firm licence.

On 30 November 2015, by decision of the Board of the Bank of Lithuania, a B category financial brokerage firm license was issued to *UAB FMJ INVL Finasta*.

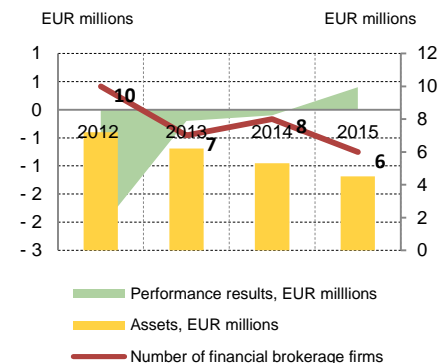
**Assets of financial brokerage firms.** Over 2015, the assets of financial brokerage firms decreased by 15 per cent and, according to audited data as of 31 December 2015, amounted to EUR 4.5 million. Funds held in banks, financial assets held for commercial purposes, as well as loans and receivables (28.7, 36.3 and 26.6% respectively) accounted for the largest share of the assets of financial brokerage firms as at 31 December 2015.

**Results of the activities of financial brokerage firms and compliance with prudential requirements.** According to data of financial statements, the operating result of financial brokerage firms in 2015 was a EUR 0.4 million profit. According to data as of 31 December 2015, operations of three financial brokerage firms were profitable; three firms experienced losses. A minimum primary capital requirement (A category financial brokerage firms — EUR 730,000, B category — EUR 125,000, C category — EUR 50,000) and 8 per cent minimum capital adequacy requirement are applied to financial brokerage firms. All financial brokerage (except one) firms were in compliance with the capital adequacy requirements.

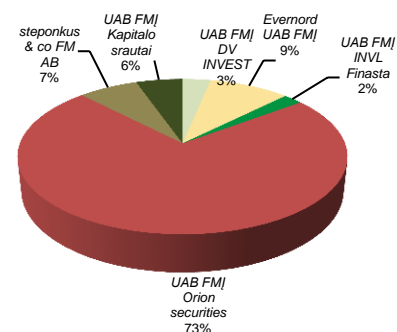
### Changes in the field of legal regulation of financial brokerage firms.

On 28 January 2016, the Official Journal of the European Union announced the regulatory technical standards for prudent valuation. The technical standard is also published on the Bank of Lithuania website. [http://www.lb.lt/n22581/rts\\_on\\_prudent\\_valuation\\_lt.pdf](http://www.lb.lt/n22581/rts_on_prudent_valuation_lt.pdf).

**Chart 1. Data of the activities of financial brokerage firms**



**Chart 2. Assets of financial brokerage firms**



Source: Bank of Lithuania calculations.

By Decision No 03-10 of the Board of the Bank of Lithuania of 28 January 2016 the amendments to the Rules on the Publicly Announced Information on Financial Brokerage Firms and Management Companies were approved. The list of publicly announced information on subordinated loans, other debt instruments, their maturity and terms and conditions, as well as information about credit and dilution risk of purchased receivables, market and operational risk, revealing how a company complies with the capital adequacy requirements, were supplemented. These changes are published in the registry of legal acts:

<http://www.lblitex.lbank.lt/Default.aspx?Id=3&DocId=612367>.

### Key operational indicators of financial brokerage firms

(31 December 2015; EUR thousands)

Seq. No	Financial brokerage firm and code	Assets	Net profit transactions	Capital adequacy ratio, %	Customer assets managed by right of property trust
1.	<i>UAB FMJ Orion securities, 122033915</i>	3,275	208	19.8	327,947
2.	<i>UAB FMJ INVL Finasta, 304049332</i>	93	-88	4.32*	39,242
3.	<i>steponkus &amp; co FM AB, 122601232</i>	314	-87	50.9	8,466
4.	<i>Uždaroji akcinė bendrovė finansų maklerio įmonė Kapitalo srautai, 156713099</i>	244	13	63.1	20,499
5.	<i>Evernord, UAB, 303198227</i>	433	330	8.8	-
6.	<i>UAB FMJ DV INVEST, 300153084</i>	147	-24	58.7	21
	Total	4,507	353		396,175

\*Financial brokerage firms took action and ensured compliance with the ratio after the reporting date