Latest Rating

BMR3++

The rating signifies strong compliance and risk

management, sound internal control framework,

client relationship and HR & IT services while regulatory compliance levels, external controls and

January 9, 2020

financial management are adequate.

# **BROKER MANAGEMENT RATING REPORT**

# **Integrated Equities Limited**

**Rating Category** 

**Rating Rationale** 

**Rating Date** 

Management

Broker

Rating

## REPORT DATE:

January 9, 2020

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## <u>APPLICABLE</u> <u>METHDOLOGY:</u>

Broker Management Ratings 2017: http://vis.com.pk/docs/BMR201 701.pdf

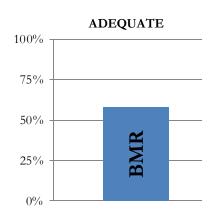
# **COMPANY INFORMATION**

Incorporated in 2008	<b>External auditors:</b> Nasir Javaid Maqsood Imran, Chartered Accountants	
Public Limited	Chairman of the Board: Sardar Ali Wattoo	
Key Shareholders (with stake 5% or more):	Chief Executive Officer: Sardar Ali Wattoo	
Mr. Sardar Ali 92.65%; Ms. Sadia Ali 7.35%		

# **Corporate Profile**

Integrated Equities Limited (IEL) was incorporated in 2008 under the Companies Ordinance 1984 as a Public Limited Company. IEL is owned by the Aequitas Group which came in to creation with the acquisition of Pakistan Credit Rating Agency Limited (PACRA) in 2003. The group has extended its operation in to numerous business sectors including financial services, rating services, software services and renewable energy. IEL has a number of functional units including Equity Brokerage, Research, and Investment Banking and Projects Advisory services.

The Company holds a Trading Right Entitlement Certificate (TREC) issued by the Pakistan Stock Exchange Limited (PSX). Majority shareholding of the company is kept by Mr. Sardar Ali owning around 92.65% whereas the remaining ownership of 7.35% is held by Ms. Sadia Ali. External auditors of the company are Nasir Javaid Maqsood Imran, Chartered Accountants. Auditors belong to category 'B' on the approved list of auditors published by the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP).



#### **Regulatory Requirements &** Internal & External Control **Client Relationship & Fairplay** Supervision Framework 100% 100% 100% SOUND SOUND 75% 75% 75% ADEQUATE ADEQUATE Internal 50% 50% 50% External 25% 25% 25% 0% 0% 0%

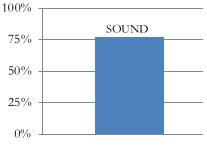
**Rating Factors Scores** 

- Indusion of independent director on board and constitution of board level Risk Management Committee may strengthen board level governanœ.
- Net capital balance is considered satisfactory.



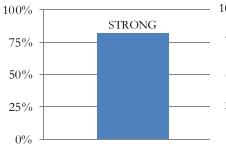
- Employee trading guidelines maybe further developed.
- Indusion of Directors' Report, CEO statement and Statement of Compliance with Code in annual Financial Statements would enhance public disdosures.
- Appointment of 'A' category of external auditors would strengthen overall control environment.
- Client service maybe enhanced via uploading market and equity research reports on website.

HR & Infrastructure



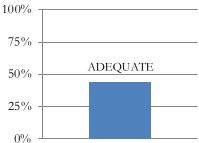
- IT infrastructure and policies are sound; however, one fully integrated ERP platform would provide consolidated reporting.
- Off-site backup of data is maintained at third party and under own control as well.

## Compliance & Risk Management



• Compliance function overall has witnessed improvement; however the same may be segregated from Risk management for darity and control purposes.

## **Financial Management**



- · Enhanced focus on diversifying income streams may address the business volatility risk.
- · Profitability has remained at around prior year. Overall financial assessment draws support from low leveraged capital structure.

# MANAGEMENT QUALITY SCALE & DEFINITIONS

# VIS Credit Rating Company Limited

### RATING SCALE & DEFINITIONS: BROKER MANAGEMENT RATING

### BMR1A

Excellent regulatory compliance, control environment, Adequate and financial management; governance and risk environment, and financial management; governance management frameworks are extremely effective; HR, IT, and customer services are strongly proactive.

### BMR1++, BMR1+, BMR1

Strong regulatory compliance, control environment, and financial management; governance and risk management frameworks are highly effective; HR, IT, and customer services are highly proactive.

### BMR2++, BMR2+, BMR2

Sound regulatory compliance, control environment, and financial management; governance and risk Weak regulatory compliance and business practices management frameworks are effective; HR, IT, and customer services are proactive.

### BMR3++, BMR3+, BMR3

regulatory compliance, control and risk management frameworks are satisfactory; HR, IT, and customer services are adequate.

### BMR4++, BMR4+, BMR4

Inadequate compliance, regulatory control environment, and financial management; governance and risk management frameworks need improvements; HR, IT, and customer services are insufficient.

### BMR5

### **Rating Outlooks:**

The three outlooks 'Positive', 'Stable' and 'Negative' qualify the potential direction of the assigned rating(s). An outlook is not necessarily a precursor of a rating change. Refer to our 'Criteria for Rating Outlook' for details. www.vis.com.pk/images/criteria\_outlook.pdf

## Appendix I

<b>REGULATORY I</b>	DISCLOSURES			Appendix II		
Name of Rated Entity	Integrated Equities Li	imited				
Sector	Brokerage					
Type of Relationship	Solicited					
Purpose of Rating	Broker Management Rating (BMR)					
Rating History	Rating Date	Rating	Rating Outlook	Rating Action		
	RATING TYPE: BMR					
	1/9/2020 12/7/2018	BMR3++ BMR3++	Stable Stable	Reaffi <del>r</del> m ed Reaffi <del>r</del> m ed		
	10/24/2017	BMR3++	Stable	Initial		
Instrument Structure	N/A					
Statement by the	VIS, the analysts involved in the rating process and members of its rating committee do					
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