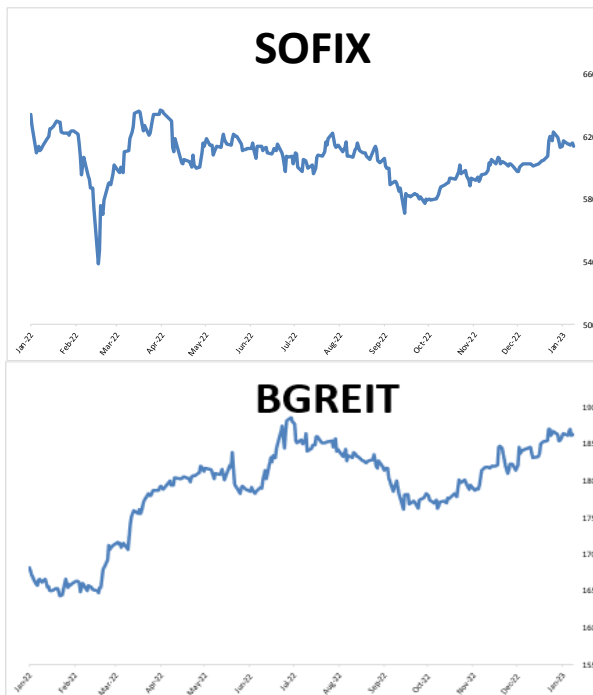


## BG Indexes 12-month performance



Index	Close	Weekly Chg.%	YTD
SOFIX	624.35	0.86	3.80
BGBX 40	142.33	0.10	2.19
BGREIT	186.58	-0.19	1.86

Index	P/E	EV/S	P/BV
SOFIX	7.11	0.04	1.63
BGBX 40	8.93	0.24	1.95
BGREIT	18.12	n/a	1.40

## BSE Weekly Gainers & Losers

Top Gainers		Price	Chng %
BRP	Bulgarian River Shipping AD	0.92	14.38
BBRD	Billboard AD	0.25	8.70
SFA	Sopharma AD	5.26	8.33
FFI	Forucom REIT	1.50	2.74
T57	Trace Group Hold AD	3.90	2.63

Top Losers		Price	Chng %
SGH	Sirma Group Holding AD	0.64	-5.22
BDT	Biodit AD	1.71	-5.00
ALB	Albena AD	26.40	-3.65
BSE	Bulgaria Stock Exchange-Sofia	8.40	-3.45
IHB	Industrial Holding Bulgaria AD	1.80	-3.23

## Market Overview (27<sup>th</sup> February – 03<sup>rd</sup> March)

The main Bulgarian index **SOFIX** increased this week by 0.86% to 624.35 points. The broad index **BGBX40** increased by 0.10% to 142.33 points and **BGREIT** decreased this week to 186.58 points, down by 0.19%.

## Corporate News

**Doverie Hold (DUH)** reported Q4 consolidated net income (after minority interest) of BGN 9.1m (EPS of BGN 0.42), -41.7% YoY. The banking sector, registered 3.5% decline of total operating income to BGN 42.9m. This was entirely due to the significant provisioning in Q4 (BGN 27.2m). Net interest income surged 104.1% YoY due to interest rates hike in Moldova. Net insurance income also brought positive effect in Q4 by surging 66.7% YoY to BGN 0.8m and gross profit from the other business sectors (mainly Bricolage stores) grew 51.1% YoY to BGN 19m. Administrative cost marked 40.2% YoY growth and the other operating loss vs other operating income in the comparable period reduced profitability. Q4 consolidated net income dropped 42.2% YoY to BGN 12.1m. 2022 preliminary net income after minority interest was up by 61.8% YoY to BGN 72.5m (EPS of BGN 3.37). Banking income increased by 37.3% YoY despite the almost 30x growth of provisioning charges, net insurance income added 2.1% YoY and other business sector result grew 32.4% YoY.

**Monbat (MONB)** 2022 consolidated revenue increased 4.1% YoY to BGN 389.1m. This figure included BGN 13.5m of government financing. OPEX for the year advanced faster than revenue and reached BGN 354.4m (+7.7% YoY) with the biggest factor for the increase being the rise of cost of materials (BGN 264.5m; +8.5% YoY). Consequently, 2022 EBITDA fell 22.4% YoY to BGN 34.7m and the respective margin deteriorated 3.1 p.p. to 8.9%. Depreciation for the year was higher at BGN 19.1m (+8.3% YoY) and financial expenses were also higher at BGN 6.1m (+83.7% YoY) on the back of higher interest expense (BGN 6.8m; +41.4% YoY). The bottom line amounted to BGN 7.9m (EPS of BGN 0.20), compared to BGN 3.0m (EPS of BGN 0.08) in 2021. However, the 2021 figure excludes BGN 16.5m, related to discontinued operations of the subsidiary Monbat Immobilien GmbH.

## Economic News

➤ The industrial confidence indicator in Bulgaria rose to 23.3 in February 2023, accelerating from 22 in the previous month. It was the highest reading since May 2021, as entrepreneurs grew more optimistic about their expectations on the business situation of the enterprises over the next six months (15.3 vs 11.1 in December 2022) and production over the next three months (15.5 vs 12).

➤ Annual producer inflation in Bulgaria slowed to 16.8% in January 2023, from 23.2% in the prior month. It was the lowest producer inflation since July 2021, as prices eased for electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply (21.7% vs 39.3% in December 2022) and manufacturing (14.4% vs 16.1%). On a monthly basis, producer prices fell 2.2%, reversing a 3.4% increase in the previous month.

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