

# ***Yastrubetska L.S., Yaremyk M.M. The Analysis of the Characteristics of Mergers and Acquisitions in Ukraine***

## **Annotation**

The main features of mergers and acquisitions in Ukraine for 2011-2014 are outlined. The market of mergers and acquisitions in Ukraine is analysed on the volume and value of transactions for key industries, their dynamics during this period is also studied. Considerable attention is focused on the study of raiding as a way of organizing mergers and acquisitions of business entities by unlawful means. In particular, the article discloses approaches of scientists to interpretation of the essence of this economic concept and the main types of corporate raiding in territorial aspect in Ukraine as well as clarifies directions of counteraction to this phenomenon.

**Keywords:** mergers and acquisitions market, transactions in mergers and acquisitions, raiding, financial security.

## **Summary**

A characteristic feature of the domestic market of mergers and acquisitions is the use of illegal methods of influence on the conclusion of transactions or raiding. Misappropriation of another's business causes significant losses to the economy of Ukraine and is a significant threat to the financial security of businesses and in the whole financial-economic security of the country.

The aim of this article is to analyze mergers and acquisitions of enterprises in Ukraine for 2011-2014. The authors give an estimation of the composition, structure and dynamics of the market of mergers and acquisitions in Ukraine on the volume and value of transactions for key industries of the Ukrainian economy.

The analysis of trends of raiding for the period shows that the volume of transactions in the market of mergers and acquisitions during the analyzed period is being reduced annually. However financial sector still takes the largest share of deals in the mergers and acquisitions market. Nevertheless, agricultural sector, construction and real estate also have a high share of deals in market.

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In the article is clarified that the main reason for the spread of corporate raiding in Ukraine is the absence of effective state authority on raiding and counter-legislation that would establish responsibility for the implementation of misappropriation of property. Negative consequences of the expansion raiding are manifested in the deterioration of the investment climate, reduction in the level of GDP, the increase in the level of shadow economy etc. In addition it has a negative impact on the state's image in the international arena, prevents the protection of national interests of Ukraine in the world and blocks the ability of effective partnerships with international organizations.

As a result of research we came to the conclusion that in territorial aspect in Ukraine the number of raider attacks is spreading rapidly, which requires developing effective directions of counteraction. Such activities should be comprehensive and cover both the formation of public policy and the development of an effective legal framework, which would guarantee the protection of the rights of owners and the establishment of public authority for the suppression of unlawful seizure of enterprises. Also it is important to ensure the coordination of work of all other public authorities concerning to this sphere and to form a position of rejection of raiding in the society in any form, as well as involvement in the fight against raiders media and public organizations.