## **Analysis of Financial Performance of Foreign Banks** Having Branches in Turkey by TOPSIS and ELECTRE Methods

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#### ABSTRACT

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Effective performance evaluation is an important indicator of the success of every business particularly the banking sector. Banks are one of the most fundamental elements of the financial system. The financial structures of banks should be measured and evaluated accurately, the results should be analyzed salubriously and presented to the relevant users. The performance of each bank is evaluated by financial criteria which are ranked according to their financial performance. This is important both for the bank and the decision makers in the banking sector in which it operates. The aim of this study is to evaluate the financial performance of foreign banks having branches in Turkey. In the study, in Turkey four foreign banks having branches and Ziraat Bank with the largest assets were analyzed. The data were obtained from the annual reports of banks between 2014 and 2018. CAMELS criteria were used as financial performance indicators in the study. TOPSIS (Technique for Order Preference by Similarity to Ideal Solution) and ELECTRE (Elimination and Choice Translating Reality) which are multi-criteria decision-making methods were used to evaluate the financial performance of these banks. As a result of the application of these

methods, financial performance values of banks and success values for each year were found. The results obtained by the analysis made in both methods are presented in a comparative perspective.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the journal stated that bank is very ancient institution which contributes towards the development of economy and its treatment as an important service industry in modern world (Nimalathasan, 2008: 141). For most businesses, bank is one of the most sources of financing institutions. The banking sector is great importance in terms of national economy. Banks should use their resources effectively and efficiently due to competition in sector. Therefore the performances of banks should be evaluated and measures must be taken in their performances enhancing as a result of evaluation (Çalışkan et al., 2016: 85). It is important for financial information users and every central bank to comprehend the financial performances of banks and financial institutions operating under the specific license issued to them. Therefore, all the banks are required to carry out transparent and sound banking activities and follow the guidelines and regulations set by the regulators or the central bank. It is essential for the central bank and those who run the national economy to evaluate their financial performance because banks enter every corner of the country and have been extending a helping hand in the growth of the economy.

The collective supposition that reinforces a lot of the financial performances research and as well as discussions is enhancing financial performances and shall lead to better functions and activities of organizations (Nimalathasan, 2008: 141). Financial performance of a bank is important in comprehensive sense that denotes to the degree to which financial objectives have been accomplished and it a significant aspect in the finance risk management and this process measures results of the policies of bank as well operations in the monetary term. Therefore, it is used to measure overall financial health of a bank over a given period of time and could also be used to make comparison between similar banks in the same industry or in order to compare industries or sector wise in accumulation.

There are different methods, applications and criteria used for evaluating the financial performance of banks. One of them is CAMELS. This rating system was developed in the United States in 1979 as Supervisory Rating System (SRS) that will assist to analyze overall financial situation of banks. On the other hand, the UFIRS which stands for Uniform Financial Institutions Rating System was also developed by the Federal Financial Institutions Examinations Council known as (FFIEC) on November 13, 1979. Initially it began in the United States. However, it has now started to implement worldwide by different banking supervisory regulators with the recommendations of the U.S. Federal Reserves. These ratings are merely open to the top level management in order to avoid possible bankrupt and it is not publically rereleased. Hence, CAMELS stands for C. Capital Adequacy, A. Assets, M. Management Quality, E. Earnings, L. Liquidity and S. Sensitivity to Market Risk (Manju et al., 2017:3).

The main objective of this study is to evaluate the financial performances of foreign banks having branches opened in the Republic of Turkey. Therefore, in this study, firstly CAMELS criteria were determined in order to measure the financial performances of these banks and additional two methods (TOPSIS and ELECTRE) which are multi-criteria decision making techniques were used to evaluate and understand the financial performances of these banks 1050

through the years 2014-2018. Hence, the research is based on the evaluation of the financial performance of five banks. From these banks, four of them are foreign banks with their branches operating in Turkey are Habib Bank, Pakistan, Intesa Sanpaolo Bank, Italy, Societe Generale, France and JPMorgan Chase Bank, U.S.A. According to the data from The Banks Association of Turkey (TBB), total five foreign banks having branches opened in the Republic of Turkey are found. However, the data of Mellat Bank, Iran was not available and as a result, it was excluded from the evaluation process. Therefore, the Ziraat Bank, which is the largest based on assets in Turkey, was included in this study. The results obtained by the analysis made in both TOPSIS and ELECTRE methods are presented in a comparative perspective.

#### 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

The Literature research based on the topic is done with the evaluation of financial performance of banks in three parts with CAMELS components, the TOPSIS method and ELECTRE method which were attempted to be summarized in bank performances.

- A) These are the summaries on the study on evaluations of financial performances of banks with CAMELS components. Guan, et al. (2019) China, Khatri (2019) and Sangmi et al. (2010) India, Rahman et al. (2018) and Ahsan (2016) Bangladesh, Munir et al. (2017) Indonesia and Malaysia, Rozzani et al. (2013) Malaysia, Mousa (2016) Jordan, Komorowski et al. (2016) Bosnia and Herzegovina, Rostami (2015) Iran, Ibrahim (2015) United Arab Emirates, Kumar et al. (2015) United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, Jaffar et al. (2011) Pakistan, Karaca et al. (2018), Şendurur et al. (2018), Karaçor, et al. (2017), Ege, et al. (2015), Karapınar et al. (2015) and Gümüş et al. (2015) these studies have been done over Turkish banks.
- B) The summaries provided below are the studies in the performance of banks using TOPSIS method; Sarı, (2020), Kaygusuz, et al. (2020), Bozdoğan, et al. (2018), Anyaeche et al. (2018), Siew et al. (2017), Wanke et al. (2017), Wanke et al. (2016), Dinçer, et al. (2016), Dash (2016), Ghasempour et al. (2016), Li et al. (2014), Amile et al. (2013), Hemmati et al. (2013), Akkoç et al. (2013), Dinçer et al. (2011), Demireli (2010) and Seçme et al. (2009) these studies have been done for the evaluation of banks performances with TOPSIS method.
- C) The summaries provided below are the studies in the performance of banks using ELECTRE method; Bayyurt (2013), Dinçer, et al. (2016) and Çağıl, (2011), Kılıç, (2006) tried to evaluate the performances of banks by using ELECTRE Method. In the literature, Chaudhuri et al. (2014) used both TOPSIS, ELECTRE and VIKOR methods to make evaluation in the performances of both public and private banks in India and compared them with the values used by Reserve Bank of India. In the literature research, it is clear that TOPSIS method is used more than ELECTRE method in the studies. Therefore, in this study, both TOPSIS and ELECTRE methods are used together to evaluate the financial performances of these banks.

# 3. EVALUATION OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE WITH CAMELS IN BANKS

It is stated that the concept of financial performances as well research into its measurement are well advanced in the management and finance fields. A recent rating system known as

CAMELS is now widely used in order to evaluate the performances of financial institutions, but more particularly banks (Nimalathasan, 2008: 142).

The CAMELS system concentrates on the assessment of banking system by examining its financial statements, like the balance sheet and income statement (profit and loss statement). Consequently, it observes the dynamic aspect of the financial institutions (Christopoulos, et al., 2011:12). The performances of banking sector with CAMELS incorporates evaluation and analysis of six very important dimensions of the banking operations. Thus, CAMELS incorporates a set of performance measures that gives a complete comprehensive opinion of the banks based on rates (Kaygusuz, et al., 2020: 75; Rozzani et al., 2013: 40; Nimalathasan, 2008: 142; Ghasempour et al., 2016: 54-55; Manju et al., 2017: 3-4).

The basic conceptual view on the financial performances and research into its measurement is very well advanced within the finance and management fields. In a recent well-judged technique known as CAMELS rating system is now used widely for evaluating performance of banks and financial institutions (Nimalathasan, 2008: 142).

Following CAMELS components have been used in the evaluation of these banks.

- 1. C (Capital Adequacy)
- 2. A (Assets Quality)
- 3. M (Management Quality)
- 4. E (Earnings)
- 5. L (Liquidity Management)
- 6. S (Sensitivity)

## 3.1. Capital Adequacy

One of the essential indexes of the bank is capital ratio because it can act as a protector for very potential risk in the bank. With the regard to grown and their future course in general, it is making very important decisions that banking institutions take (Christopoulos, et al., 2011:13).

#### 3.2. Assets Quality

The second component of the CAMELS rating system is asset quality because the major cause for most banks which face bankruptcy is the quality of poor assets and its most significant category is known to be the loan portfolio. Therefore, the greatest risk the bank or financial institution is facing is said to be the risk of loan loss which arise from the delinquent loans of the bank. The bank's official must perform the assessment of asset quality with the help of credit risk management and the evaluation of the quality of loan portfolio with the usage of trend analysis and peer comparison must be carried. It is very difficult to measure the asset quality since it is subject to the work or derivation of the bank's analyst (Grier, 2007: 22).

## 3.3. Management Quality

The third component of the CAMELS rating system is management quality in the banking sector which ensures bank's survival and growth. The performance of any firm depends on the key to sound management because management efficiency plays an extremely key role in any organization particularly bank or financial institution. Management quality also energizes

the management system and respond quickly to an active and changing environment in the organization (Rahman et al., 2018: 124).

## 3.4. Earnings

The following indicators are being used in the analysis of the Earnings (E) as well as profitability in the CAMELS rating system:

Return on Assets (ROA), Return on Equity (ROE) and Cost to Income Ratio (CIR). In generating revenues, the Return on Assets underlines how profitable the bank assets are while Return on Equity (ROE) reflects the profitability of the bank's capital. Therefore, all the values of the indicators must be intercepted with complete caution because high level will underline high profitability but can underline a low level of capitalization whilst a low level would underline a low level of profitability and a high capitalization like vice-versa (Evans, et al., 2000:7). With the regard to the cost to income ratio expenses, the capacity of the bank will cover its operating expenses from income generated and it is compounded by dividing the operational costs to the operations incomes of the bank.

## 3.5. Liquidity Management

The fifth component of the CAMELS rating system is liquidity. Liquidity which is the most significant component for a financial institution or bank is and it has very significant impact on the bank's financial structure. The liquidity constitutes one of the crucial elements which evaluates the operational performances of a financial institution of bank because it expresses bank's capacity to pay its short term debts and face unexpected withdrawals of depositors. (Roman et al., 2013:706).

## 3.6. Sensitivity

The last component of the CAMELS rating system is Sensitivity to Market Risk which assesses the bank on sensitivity toward market risk examining the extent with potential changes to the interest rates, foreign-currency Exchange risk, selling prices and product purchase, all affect the profits or revenue of the financial institution or bank and as well as the value of its all assets (Christopoulos, et al., 2011:13). Most banks or financial institutions consider these changes in interest rates as a market risk (Ghazavi et al., 2018: 857).

## 4. CAMELS PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

The CAMELS criteria as an indicator in the measurement of financial performance to be used in the analysis below are presented in six groups. There are a total of 15 sub-criteria in six groups and their weights obtained from expert opinions and literature research are presented in Table 1. It is worth noting that when different criteria and different weight ratios are used, the results may vary.

NO		INDICATORS Max/N									
1	C- C	apital Adequacy									
	C1	Capital Adequacy Ratio	Max	0.09							
	C2	Shareholder's Equity/Total Assets	Max	0.07							
	C3	(Equity - Fixed Assets)/Total Assets	Max	0.07							

Table 1. CAMELS Performance Evaluation Indicators and Weight

2	A- A	sset Quality		
	A1	Fixed Assets/Total Assets	Max	0.04
	<b>A2</b>	NPL(Gross)/Cash Loans	Min	0.09
	<b>A3</b>	Financial Assets (Net)/Total Assets	Max	0.05
	A4	Total Loans and Advances/Total Assets	Max	0.05
3	M- N	Ianagement Quality		
	M1	Total Loans/Total Deposits	Max	0.07
	M2	Profit Per Employee (Profit after Tax/No of Employees)	Max	0.06
	M3	Profit Per Branch (Profit after Tax/No of Branch)	Max	0.06
4	E- Ea	arnings		
	E1	Net Profit/Loss / Total Assets	Max	0.08
	E2	Net Profit/Loss / Shareholder's Equity	Max	0.08
5	L- Li	quidity Management		
	L1	Liquid Assets / Total Assets	Max	0.06
	L2	Liquid Assets / Short Term Liabilities	Max	0.06
6	S- Se	nsitivity	•	
	S1	Net Interest Income/Total Assets	Max	0.07

The data has been obtained from the annual reports of all banks mentioned here. The data which obtained from the annual reports for each year, a total of 15 financial performance criteria were calculated in six groups. For example, the calculation for 2018 is presented in the Appendix. After calculating the ratios, it passed through the application of TOPSIS method.

# 5. EVALUATION OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE WITH TOPSIS METHOD

TOPSIS, which is one of the multi-criteria decision making techniques, was initially introduced by Yoon and Hwang for the first time and following the appraisal of surveyors and various operators worldwide. TOPSIS is known as decision making technique. It is, in fact, a goal-based approach for finding alternatives which is closest to ideal solutions. Therefore, in this method, based on ideal solution similarity, options are graded, and if an option is likely more similar to the ideal solutions, then it will have a higher grade. Further, and ideal solution is considered to be the best from any aspect which does not exist in terms of practical so its approximation is hereby attempted.

Fundamentally, if we want to measure similarity of a design or option to one of the ideal or non-ideal levels, then we try to consider the distance of that specific design from the ideal and non- deal levels of solutions (Ghasempour and Salami, 2016:56). It is observed that TOPSIS method is entirely and widely used in various and many fields from the evaluation to the financial performance of technology companies to factory location selection. (Bozdoğan, et al., 2016:482).

The TOPSIS method is performed in 7 steps presented below (Ghasempour et al., 2016:56-57; Akyüz, et al., 2011:77-80).

Step 1. Formation of the decision-matrix; below is the structure of the matrix which can be expresses as given below;

$$A = (a_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $a_{ii}$  is the element of the decision matrix for  $\dot{i}$  the alternative in  $\dot{j}$  the attribute.

Step 2. With the normalization of decision making matrix  $B = (b_{ij})$ , the following formula is used.

$$b_{ij} = \frac{a_{ij}}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_{kj}^2}}$$

Step 3. In order to construct the weighted normalized decision-matrix, the following formula is used by multiplying the normalized decision matrix and its associated weights.

$$C = (c_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 b_{11} & w_2 b_{12} & \dots & w_n b_{1n} \\ w_1 b_{21} & w_2 b_{22} & \dots & w_n b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ w_1 b_{m1} & w_2 b_{m2} & \dots & w_n b_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 4. In order to determine the positive ideal solution  $C^+$  and as well as negative ideal solution  $C^-$ , the following formula is used.

$$C^{+} = (c_{1}^{+}, c_{2}^{+}, \dots, c_{n}^{+}) = \left(\left(\max_{i} c_{ij} \mid j \in I\right), \left(\min_{i} c_{ij} \mid j \in J\right)\right)$$

$$C^{-} = (c_{1}^{-}, c_{2}^{-}, \dots, c_{n}^{-}) = \left( \left( \min_{i} c_{ij} \mid j \in I \right), \left( \max_{i} c_{ij} \mid j \in J \right) \right)$$

Step 5. In this step, calculate the separation measures and the separation of each alternative from one of the positive ideals is provided below:

$$d_i^+ = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n (c_{ij} - c_j^+)^2}$$
  $i = 1, 2, ... m$ 

Likewise, the separation of every alternative is given below from the negative ideal.

$$d_i^- = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n (c_{ij} - c_j^-)^2}$$
  $i = 1, 2, ... m$ 

Step 6. With the below formula, relative closeness to the ideal solution shall be calculated as given below:

$$e_{i}^{+} = \frac{d_{i}^{-}}{d_{i}^{-} + d_{i}^{+}}$$

Step 7. In the last step, rank the preference order.

The results obtained with the TOPSIS method for each bank for 2014-2018 are shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2. Annual results of TOPSIS method

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Banks	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018							
Ziraat Bank(ZB)-TURKEY	0.609296	0.607668	0.612786	0.659596	0.639653							
Habib Bank(HB)-PAKISTAN	0.474324	0.464458	0.453458	0.393824	0.404503							
Intesa Sanpaolo Bank(ISB)-ITALY	0.29814	0.297152	0.274256	0.323568	0.340536							
Societe Generale(SB)-FRANCE	0.319195	0.324737	0.306957	0.328702	0.344637							
JPMorgan Chase Bank(JPM)-USA	0.397914	0.405137	0.391564	0.437396	0.459734							

Considering the results of the TOPSIS method in Table 2, the bank with the highest value indicates the bank with the highest performance. As a result, based on the financial performance, values of banks in all years, the Ziraat Bank has the highest financial performance compared to other banks as it is shown in the table above. In five years, the Ziraat Bank) had the highest performance in 2017 (0.659596) and Intesa Sanpaolo Bank had in 2016 with the lowest performance (0.272566).

The results presented in the table below 3 indicates the five-year average results of the values which were obtained by the application of TOPSIS method.

Table 3. TOPSIS results based on 5-Year Average

Banks	2014-2018	Rank
ZB-TUR	0.6175163	1
HB-PAK	0.4449709	2
ISB-ITA	0.3045142	5
SG-FRA	0.3244712	4
JPM-USA	0.4145306	3

2018

2017

In all years, the Ziraat Bank ranked first with the average value of (0.6175163) compared to the other banks average financial performance values, whilst, Intesa Sanpaolo Bank (0.3045142) indicated the lowest performance.



In Figure 1, banks' financial performance trends are presented below;

2015

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2014

Figure 1. Financial performance trend by years

2016

−ZB-TUR <del>−</del>HB-PAK <del>−</del>ISB-ITA <del>−</del>SG-FRA <del>−</del>JPM-USA

In Figure 1, it is observed that the performance of Ziraat Bank, which has the highest financial performance, has a general increase on average in 5 years. However, there has been a decrease only in 2018 compared to 2017. Another bank that has shown an increase in its financial performance on a yearly basis is JPMorgan Chase Bank. This bank increased its financial performance especially after 2016. In the flow trend of Habib Bank, it is seen that there is a general decline and a significant decrease in financial performance especially after 2016.

According to ranking among the foreign banks having opened branches in Turkey between 2014-2016 years ahead, while the Habib Bank lost this advantage in 2017 and 2018 and after 2016, Habib Bank, JPMorgan Chase Bank, has surpassed. This situation is also observed after the increase in the performance of JPMorgan Chase Bank after 2016.

In general when the performance trends of the banks are analyzed, it is observed that ranks of the banks have not changed. This situation changed only in 2017. In 2017, JPMorgan Chase Bank moved from the 3<sup>rd</sup>place to the 2<sup>nd</sup>, while it dropped from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 3<sup>rd</sup>in Habib Bank.

# 6. EVALUATION OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE WITH ELECTRE METHOD

The ELECTRE method, whose acronym stands for **EL**imination and **Choice Expressing RE**ality, was initially introduced by Benayoun, Roy and Sussman (1966) and Roy (1968). The first idea concerning its concordance, discordance and outranking concepts originates from real world applications. Hence, it also usage concordance and discordance guides in order to analyze outranking relations among other alternatives. Therefore, ELECTRE method has been implemented to problems in many arrears consisting environment, energy, finance,

water management, project selection and decision analysis (Ming-Che Wu and Ting-Yu Chen, 2011:12319).

Based on the concept of ranking through pairwise comparison between alternative on appropriate criteria, the Multi Criteria Decisions Making ELECTRE method is used and the alternative is supposed to dominate other alternatives whether one or more criteria exceed and becomes equal to the remaining criteria. In order to reduce the number of alternative with a set of alternatives, the basic method of ELECTRE is used which is a sequential procedure that do not dominate. In order to find the best alternative of all criteria, the ELECTRE method requires a weighted knowledge. Below given problem-solving seven steps with ELECTRE method (Yanie, et al., 2018:2).

Step 1. Below is the formula of normalization of Decision Matrix:

$$b_{ij} = \frac{a_{ij}}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{m} a_{kj}^2}}$$

Step 2. With the usage of below formula, Normalized Decision Matrix is weighted:

$$C = (c_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 b_{11} & w_2 b_{12} & \dots & w_n b_{1n} \\ w_1 b_{21} & w_2 b_{22} & \dots & w_n b_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ w_1 b_{m1} & w_2 b_{m2} & \dots & w_n b_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Step 3. Determine concordance and discordance set by using function below:

$$C_{kl} = \{j, c_{kj} \ge c_{lj}\}, \text{ for } j = 1, 2, 3, ..., n$$
  
 $D_{kl} = \{j, c_{kj} < c_{lj}\}, \text{ for } j = 1, 2, 3, ..., n$ 

Step 4. Concordance (E) and discordance matrix (F) should be calculated, for the first function of concordance matrix as well as for the second discordance matrix:

$$e_{kl} = \sum_{j \in C_{kl}} w_j$$

$$f_{kl} = \frac{\max_{j \in D_{kl}} \left| c_{kj} - c_{lj} \right|}{\max_{j \in J} \left| c_{kj} - c_{lj} \right|}$$

Step 5. The dominant concordance matrix  $G = (g_{kl})$  is formed as

$$g_{kl} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if} \quad e_{kl} \ge \underline{e} \\ 0 & \text{if} \quad e_{kl} < \underline{e} \end{cases}, \ i, k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots m\}$$

e represents the average of dominant matrix elements, by using formula below:

$$\underline{e} = \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{m} e_{kl}$$

The dominant discordance matrix  $H = (h_{kl})$  is computed by

$$h_{kl} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if} & f_{kl} < \underline{f} \\ 0 & \text{if} & f_{kl} \ge \underline{f} \end{cases}, i,k \in \{1,2,3,\dots m\}$$

f indicates the average of dominant matrix elements, by using formula below:

$$\underline{f} = \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{m} f_{kl}$$

Step 6. In order to determine the aggregate matrix dominance, the next step is specify dominance aggregate matrix (P) with the usage of multiplication between matrix elements G with H as the function is given below:

$$p_{kl} = g_{kl} \times h_{kl}$$

Step 7. When the less favorable alternative is eliminated, it gives the order of selection of each alternative while  $p_{kl} = 1$  when  $p_{kl}$  at least then one  $p_{kl} = 1$  could be eliminated; therefore, to dominate other options, this is the best alternative.

By examining the rows and columns of the total dominance matrix, the advantages among the alternatives are indicated with the help of shapes in which alternatives are considered as node and the superiorities as arrow sign (vertex). For example, between the three alternatives such as, A, B and as well as C, as shown in the Figure 2 below, direction of the arrows indicates the bilateral superiority. According to superiority, the node (A) from which the arrow exits is interpreted as the superiority of the node (B) it enters. There is no arrow between the nodes that does not have any superiority between each other. Accordingly, it is interpreted as "While A has superiority over B and B has superiority over C no superiority relation between A and C alternatives".

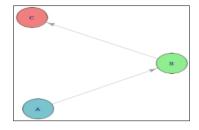


Figure 2. Bilateral superiority graphs

In the below Table 4, the results for the application of ELECTRE method Bilateral Superiority Graphs are shown below;

Table 4. Results of the ELECTRE method by years and Bilateral Superiority Graphs

D l			Commitmen	Discoule and	A	2018-Bilateral Superiority Graphs
Banks 2018	Concordance	Discordance	Concordance Rank	DiscordanceR ank	Average Rank	2018-Bilateral Superiority Graphs
ZB-TUR	1.5532	-2.57228	1	1	1	НВ-РАК
HB-PAK	-0.4268	0.802861	4	3	3.5	
ISB-ITA	-0.226	1.409827	3	4	3.5	ZB-TUR
SG-FRA	-1.3292	1.666453	5	5	5	SG-FRA ISB-ITA
JPM-USA	0.4288	-1.30686	2	2	2	IPM-USA
Banks 2017	Concordance	Discordance	Concordance Rank	DiscordanceR ank	Average Rank	2017-Bilateral Superiority Graphs
ZB-TUR	1.5964	-2.69251	1	1	1	JPM-USA SG-FRA
НВ-РАК	-0.3468	0.776887	4	3	3.5	ISB-ITA
ISB-ITA	0.009	1.571189	3	4	3.5	ZB-TUR
SG-FRA	-1.6874	1.678975	5	5	5	1
JPM-USA	0.4288	-1.33454	2	2	2	нв-рак
Banks 2016	Concordance	Discordance	Concordance Rank	DiscordanceR ank	Average Rank	2016-Bilateral Superiority Graphs
ZB-TUR	1.7142	-2.95894	1	1	1	нв-рак
HB-PAK	0.4312	0.557111	2	3	2.5	ISB-ITA
ISB-ITA	-0.977	1.92232	4	5	4.5	ZB-TUR
SG-FRA	-1.2772	1.45264	5	4	4.5	JPM-USA
JPM-USA	0.1088	-0.97313	3	2	2.5	SG-FRA
Banks 2015	Concordance	Discordance	Concordance Rank	DiscordanceR ank	Average Rank	2015-Bilateral Superiority Graphs
ZB-TUR	1.7546	-3.05044	1	1	1	іш-рак
HB-PAK	0.8232	0.701821	2	3	2.5	SG-FRA

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ISB-ITA	-1.1132	1.746352	4	5	4.5	
SG-FRA	-1.3894	1.610105	5	4	4.5	
JPM-USA	-0.0752	-1.00784	3	2	2.5	
Banks 2014	Concordance	Discordance	Concordance Rank	DiscordanceR ank	Average Rank	2014-Bilateral Superiority Graphs
ZB-TUR	2.2266	-3.10553	1	1	1	нп-рак
HB-PAK	1.0596	0.685095	2	3	2.5	
ISB-ITA	-1.2908	1.529361	4	4	4	ZB-TUR
SG-FRA	-1.6718	1.76719	5	5	5	ISB-ITA
JPM-USA	-0.3236	-0.87612	3	2	2.5	JPM-USA ► SG-FRA

In Table 4, average rank values indicate the success order. Halfway values, for example, (2.5) indicates that it is neither 1st nor 3rd. For instance, JPMorgan Chase Bank received the value of 2.5, indicating the average of 1st and 3rd place three times in 2014, 2015 and 2016. Every year, Ziraat Bank became the first with the highest performance based on average rank values. In summary, the average order values taken by the foreign banks having opened branches in Turkey are as followings:

Habib Bank has taken the series ranking value 3 times 2,5 and 2 times 3.5.

Intesa Sanpaolo Bank has taken the series ranking value 2 times 3.5, 2 times 4.5 and 1 time 4. Societe Generale Bank has taken series the ranking value 2 times 4.5 and 3 times 5 accordingly.

JPMorgan Chase Bank has taken the ranking value 2 times 2 and 3 times 2.5.

The table 5 below, presents the ELECTRE method, average performance results for 2014-2018 and the Bilateral Superiority Graph for 5 years.

Table 5. ELECTRE Method Results Based on 5-Year Averageand Bilateral Superiority Graph

	BANKS 2014-2018	Concordance	Discordance	Concordance Rank	Discordance Rank	Average Rank	Bilateral Superiority Graph
2	ZB-TUR	1.8982	2.9720491	1	1	1	ISB-ITA
	НВ-РАК	0.2932	0.7291368	2	3	2.5	НВ-РАК
	ISB-ITA	-0.775	1.6488779	4	5	4.5	IPM-USA ZB-TUR
	SG-FRA	-1.3412	1.6427846	5	4	4.5	
J	PM-USA	-0.0752	1.0487502	3	2	2.5	SG-FRA

In Table 5, according to the ELECTRE method results based on financial performance ranking of 5-year Average, Ziraat Bank ranked 1<sup>st</sup>, Habib Bank and JPMorgan Chase Bank have taken the average rank of 2.5, which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, Intesa Sanpaolo Bank and Societe

Generale Bank also have taken the average of 4.5, which is the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> rank. While noticing at the Bilateral Superiority Graph for 5 years, the direction of the arrow marks indicates the bilateral superiority relationship and shows the superiority of the bank from which the arrow originates to the bank where the arrow indicates. There is no arrow sign among the banks that do not have a bilateral superiority relationship between them. According to this, the arrow signs from Ziraat Bank to all banks indicates that this bank has a superiority relationship with all other banks and the direction of the arrow signs shows that these banks have higher performance than all of them. While observing other banks, for example, JPMorgan Chase Bank, which received the same average rank (2.5), does not have a bilateral superiority relationship with Habib Bank, but it is in a bilateral superiority relationship with Intesa Sanpaolo Bank and Societe Generale Banks and which is higher than the two of them. Therefore, it appears to have been performed. It is also observed that Intesa Sanpaolo Bank and Societe Generale banks do not have bilateral superiority relations with each other.

#### 7. CONCLUSION

Banks are the leading institutions in the general economy. Analysis of the financial performance of banks with scientific methods and continuous evaluation is very important for all information about banks, users and all decision makers directing the country's economy. Banks which have accurate and reliable information about their financial performance can be managed both soundly and fulfill their desired functions in the general economy.

It can be stated that the results of financial performance are generally similar in both methods. While the financial performance ranks and development of the banks are presented in the TOPSIS method over a five-year period, in the ELECTRE method, together with the performance rankings of the banks, their bilateral advantages and affiliations are presented with graphics. In this regard, it is possible to make analysis and evaluations with more detailed and various perspectives. When the results of both methods are analyzed, it has been observed that the Ziraat Bank has the highest financial performance. According to the results of 5 years average financial performance values in TOPSIS method, Ziraat Bank, which has the highest financial performance, is followed by Habib Bank is ranked 2<sup>nd</sup>, JPMorgan Chase Bank is ranked 3<sup>rd</sup>, Societe Generale Bank is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> and Intesa Sanpaolo Bank is ranked 5<sup>th</sup>.

In the ELECTRE method, Habib Bank and JPMorgan Chase Bank, having the same 2.5 value, follow Ziraat Bank. These banks are followed by Societe Generale Bank and Intesa Sanpaolo Bank, which have the same 4.5 value. In the ELECTRE method, bilateral superiority graphs are also presented to consider the superiority relations between banks and how and in which direction these relations are presented. In the ELECTRE method, the arrow signs from the Ziraat Bank to all other banks indicates the bilateral superiority relationship with these banks while at the same time showing that it has higher financial performance than other banks. However, JPMorgan Chase Bank has bilateral superiority relations both to Societe Generale Bank and Intesa Sanpaolo Bank, but Habib Bank does not have a superiority graph that there is no superiority relationship between Habib Bank and JPMorgan Chase Bank which shares the same order with 2.5 values. The same relation can also be seen between Intesa Sanpaolo Bank and Societe Generale Banks. Similar studies on financial performance in different sectors can be conducted using different criteria in the methods.

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## Appendix. 2018 Year Data (as an example)

	C- 1	C- 2	C- 3	A- 1	A- 2	A- 3	A- 4	M-1	M- 2	M- 3	E- 1	E- 2	L- 1	L- 2	S- 1
Bank	Max	Max	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Max	Max	Max	Max	Max	Max	Max	Max
ZB-TURKEY	14.8	10.7	12.8	0.009	2	0.08	0.69	112.3	0.27	1	1.6	15.2	8.6	10.3	0.04
HB-PAKISTAN	16.2	0.06	-21.11	21.17	7	65.84	0.35	0.5	0.61	7.13	0.4	7.1	123.3	0.13	0.02
ISB-ITALY	16.5	0.06	0.04	0.02	1.8	0.14	0.49	0.94	0.04	0.76	0.5	8.8	0.22	0.27	0.009
SG-FRANCE	16.5	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.12	0.32	0.0002	0.97	0.02	0.65	0.002	7.1	1.32	1.54	0.002
JPM-USA	15.5	0.09	-0.002	0.09	0.005	2.33	0.37	67	0.12	6.44	1.24	13	0.0002	0.007	0.01