

NEWS FLASH

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SOCIETE GENERALE SECURITIES SERVICES RATED IN INDUSTRY PRESS AWARDS

Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS) has received eight major ratings in Global Custodian's* "Agent Banks in Major Markets Survey 2013" published in September 2013.

SGSS was named "Domestic Top Rated" and "Cross-Border/Non-Affiliated Top Rated" for the seventh year running in Italy, "Leading Client Commended" for the first time in South Africa and "Cross-Border/Non-Affiliated Commended" and "Domestic Commended" for the first time in France.

Overall, SGSS was rated:

- "Leading Client Commended" ⁽¹⁾, "Cross-Border/Non-Affiliated Top Rated" and "Domestic Top Rated" in Italy
- "Leading Client Commended", "Cross-Border/Non-Affiliated Commended" ⁽¹⁾ and "Domestic Commended" in South Africa
- "Cross-Border/Non-Affiliated Commended" and "Domestic Commended" in France

This annual survey measures how clients perceive the quality of clearing and settlement and asset servicing they receive from providers.

SGSS was also ranked top in France and second in Continental Europe for "Fund Accounting and Administration Services" in the R & M Fundservices.net Survey**, a leading independent survey evaluating fund administrators, also published in September 2013. Conducted among international investment managers, the survey looks at a range of criteria, including core fund accounting and administration, accounting and valuation, communication, approach and flexibility, quality of personnel and value for money.

The results of these surveys further underline the quality and expertise of SGSS staff and their commitment to providing consistent, sophisticated and first-class securities services to clients.

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*** R & M Surveys merged with FundServices.net this past year to create the R & M FundServices.net Survey, the leading independent survey evaluating fund administrators.*

(1) Only the longstanding rule preventing a shift of more than one rating per year denies this provider Top Rated status.

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