

NEWS FLASH

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SOCIETE GENERALE SECURITIES SERVICES RECEIVES TOP RATINGS FROM GLOBAL CUSTODIAN

Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS) has received top ratings in Global Custodian* magazine's "Global Custody Survey 2013", securing its position among the top rated providers for the Fund Manager category.

This annual survey is based on clients' perceptions of their global custody providers. This year, scores for SGSS were generally higher overall in both the Fund Manager and Institutional Investor client categories, with particular recognition for its client service and relationship management. SGSS' service approach was perceived as committed and proactive.

When compared with its peers in the Fund Manager category, SGSS was rated:

- Top for foreign exchange
- 2nd for cash management
- 3rd for client service and relationship management
- 4th for settlement & operations and reporting

SGSS' settlement & operations, cash management and foreign exchange services were also attributed Global Custodian's "Roll of Honour" status, introduced by the magazine this year. This status highlights the top custodians who have excelled most in each aspect of service provision across all client categories.

These ratings underline SGSS' continued commitment to providing consistent, sophisticated and first-class securities services to clients and to accompanying them through today's complex regulatory environment.

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Societe Generale

Societe Generale is one of the largest European financial services groups. Based on a diversified universal banking model, the Group combines financial solidity with a strategy of sustainable growth, and aims to be the reference for relationship banking, recognised on its markets, close to clients, chosen for the quality and commitment of its teams.

Societe Generale has been playing a vital role in the economy for 150 years. With more than 148,000 employees, based in 76 countries, we accompany 32 million clients throughout the world on a daily basis. Societe Generale's teams offer advice and services to individual, corporate and institutional customers in three core businesses:

- **Retail banking in France** with the Societe Generale branch network, Credit du Nord and Boursorama, offering a comprehensive range of multichannel financial services on the leading edge of digital innovation;
- **International retail banking, financial services and insurance** with a presence in emerging economies and leading specialised businesses;
- **Corporate and investment banking, private banking, asset management and securities services**, with recognised expertise, top international rankings and integrated solutions.

Societe Generale is included in the main socially responsible investment indices: Dow Jones Sustainability Index (Europe), FSTE4Good (Global and Europe), Euronext Vigeo (Global, Europe, Eurozone and France), ESI Excellence (Europe) from Ethibel and 5 of the STOXX ESG Leaders indices.

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Societe Generale: 150 years

In 2014, Societe Generale Group celebrates its 150th anniversary with a focus on entrepreneurial spirit, innovation and team spirit. Founded by a group of industrialists and financiers, the bank's very name illustrated their ambition: "Société Générale pour favoriser le développement du commerce et de l'industrie en France" ("**Societe Generale to support the development of trade and industry in France**"), as written into the Imperial decree signed by Napoléon III on 4 May 1864.

Societe Generale has always served economic development, contributing to the financing of infrastructures that symbolised the modern world and of leading French groups. Societe Generale was among the first French banks to open branches in London and in Russia in the 1870s, before expanding into the Maghreb, New York and Africa and to set up operations in Central European countries.

Societe Generale has always been at the cutting edge of financial innovation, and takes strength from its origins to assert its banking vision for the future, reinvent its businesses to serve its clients and become the reference bank of the 21st century.

Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS)

Present in 29 locations worldwide with around 4,000 employees, SGSS provides financial institutions and brokers, asset managers and insurers, and businesses with a full range of securities services adapted to the latest financial market and regulatory trends: clearing services, custody and trustee services, retail custody services, liquidity management, fund administration and asset servicing, fund distribution and global issuer services.

SGSS is ranked among the top 10 worldwide global custodians and the 2nd largest in Europe with EUR 3,545* billion of assets under custody. SGSS provides custody & trustee services for 3,250* funds and the valuation of 4,056* funds, representing assets under administration of EUR 494* billion. SGSS also ranks among the European leaders in stock option management.

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