

Awards & Recognition Program 2018



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Award/Recognition Program	Issue	Call For Entries	Deadline For Entries	Winners Announced	Methodology
Foreign Exchange	January	Aug. 3 2017	Sept. 26 2017	Oct. 23 2017	Research / Submissions
Trade Finance & Supply Chain Finance Providers	February	Sept. 25 2017	Nov. 6 2017	Dec. 11 2017	Research / Submissions / Reader Poll
Treasury & Cash Management	March	Oct. 23 2017	Dec. 4 2017	Jan. 8 2018	Research / Submissions / Reader Poll
Stars of Turkey Awards	March	Oct. 23 2017	Dec. 4 2017	Jan. 8 2018	Research / Submissions
Investment Banks & Derivatives Providers	April	Nov. 20 2017	Jan. 8 2018	Feb. 5 2018	Research / Submissions
World's Best Banks - (Includes Islamic Finance Providers)	May	Dec. 18 2017	Jan. 29 2018	March 12 2018	Research / Submissions / Reader Poll
Stars of Russia Awards	May	Dec. 18 2017	Feb. 5 2018	March 12 2018	Research / Submissions
The Innovators	June	Jan. 22 2018	March 5 2018	April 9 2018	Research / Submissions
Middle East Innovation Awards	June	Jan. 22 2018	March 5 2018	April 9 2018	Research / Submissions
Securities Services Providers	July/August	March 5 2018	April 16 2018	May 28 2018	Research / Submissions
Digital Banks - Round 1	September	Jan. 31 2018	May 7 2018	July 16 2018	Bank Entries
Best Global Banks - Full Listing	October	N/A	N/A	Aug. 6 2018	Research / Submissions / Reader Poll
Central Banker Report Cards	October	N/A	N/A	Aug. 6 2018	Research
Safest Banks	November	N/A	N/A	Sept. 10 2018	Ratings From Standard and Poor's, Moody's and Fitch
Stars of China Awards	November	June 18 2018	July 30 2018	Sept. 10 2018	Research / Submissions
Private Banks	December	July 16 2018	Sept. 10 2018	October 8 2018	Research / Submissions
Digital Banks - Round 2	December	N/A	N/A	Nov. 8 2018	Bank Entries

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About Global Finance Awards

Global Finance's awards and recognition programs are backed by a 31-year legacy of editorial accuracy and integrity. Our corporate and financial readers rely on them as the trusted standard of excellence for the financial industry. Our ratings and rankings are credible, reliable and real.

The Importance Of Global Finance Awards

The proud distinction of being a *Global Finance* honoree is something every winner can and should use to stand out from and above their competitors.

Some of the ways *Global Finance* award winners have leveraged their status include:

- Advertising
- Annual reports
- Conference signage
- Custom videos
- In-branch signage
- Internal communications
- Investor relations information
- Press releases
- Promotional materials
- Employee motivation programs
- Recruitment efforts
- Social media campaigns
- Stadium and airport signage
- Websites
- Email signatures

Earning a *Global Finance* award also allows individual honorees and entire departments to stand out within their own organizations, leading to higher visibility across their industry sector, improved staff retention and greater professional and personal recognition.

Methodology Details

Research & Entries

Global Finance's subject matter experts create a short list based on input from industry analysts, corporate executives and users of related services, in addition to conducting independent research. Potential winners are scored based on a proprietary algorithm. Final decisions are made by the Editorial Board of *Global Finance*.

Factors considered range from the quantitatively objective to the informed subjective. Among nominally objective criteria considered are such factors as growth in operations, position on league tables, profitability, geographic reach, strategic relationships, new business development and innovation in products. Subjective criteria include the opinions of analysts, ratings agencies, consultants, customers and others involved in the industry. The mix of these factors yields winners that may not be the largest, the oldest or the most diversified in a given country or sector, but rather the best – the provider with which most companies around the world are most likely to want to do business.

It is not necessary to enter in order to win (except for the Digital Bank Awards), but experience shows entries increase the chance of success. In many cases, entrants are able to present information and perspectives that may not be readily available to the editors of *Global Finance*. All submissions are strictly confidential.

Go to GFMag.com for individual award entry requirements, which will be posted before the start of the review process.

Bank Entries (Best Digital Bank Awards)

Winners are chosen from entries evaluated by a world-class judging panel of IT consultants. Only banks entering the competition are considered for awards, and awards are given only in those regions and countries in which there are entries. Go to GFMag.com after January 31, 2018 for World's Best Digital Banks Call For Entries.

Rankings

Rankings of Safest Banks are based on a composite score derived from ratings provided by Fitch Ratings, Moody's Investors Service, and Standard & Poor's.

Readers' Poll

Global Finance conducts surveys of its readership to identify those providers considered by readers to be the best in each category.

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