

Call For Entries



World's Best Pension Managers Awards 2017

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Entry Deadline Extended to 21 April

In the July/August issue, *Global Finance* will publish the selections for its first-ever World's Best Pension Managers Awards.

Global Finance, with the help of its readers and an Advisory Panel of consultants and pension management professionals, is identifying the asset management firms that set the standard for performance, expertise, customer service, and compliance across national and regional markets and worldwide. *Global Finance* readers include the largest pension-fund sponsors in both developed and emerging markets. Their ability to assure the benefits that support their retirees depends in large part on their managers' ability to deliver high rates of return over the long term, balanced by prudent risk control—which gives them the ideal vantage point from which to select the best firms in each of the world's key pension markets. In the feature that accompanies the awards announcement, *Global Finance* will introduce the winners and explore how readers' choices reflect the challenges facing pension sponsors around the world.

Take advantage of this opportunity to participate in the review process.

ABOUT GLOBAL FINANCE AWARDS

Global Finance's awards and recognition programs are backed by a 30-year legacy of editorial accuracy and integrity. Corporate and financial readers rely on them as the trusted standard of excellence for the financial industry. The 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 winner status has been used include:

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

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

NO APPLICATION FEE

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GLOBAL AWARDS

Best Pension Manager	Most Innovative	Best Up-and-Comer
Best Customer Service		

REGIONAL AWARDS

North America, Western Europe, Asia-Pacific, Latin America, Middle East/Africa

Best Pension Manager	Most Innovative	Best Up-and-Comer
Best Customer Service	Best Knowledge of Local Market	

COUNTRY AWARDS

Australia	Ireland	Saudi Arabia
Austria	Israel	Singapore
Belgium	Italy	South Africa
Brazil	Japan	South Korea
Canada	Kenya	Spain
China	Kuwait	Sweden
Denmark	Luxembourg	Switzerland
Finland	Malaysia	Taiwan
France	Netherlands	Turkey
Germany	New Zealand	United Arab Emirates
Hong Kong	Norway	United Kingdom
India	Portugal	United States

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Global Finance's Best Pension Managers Awards focus on institutional asset management firms whose clients include traditional (defined-benefit model) pension plans. Ownership structure ranges from independently owned firms to units of large commercial or investment banks and insurance companies and from locally owned to regional and global organizations. Thus, the winners will include both small and very large firms by AUM.

To ensure that middle-level and locally based forms are recognized in countries that have a large roster of providers, an additional Pension Manager of Distinction Award honors firms that fall within this category.

There is no need to enter separately for the Pension Manager of Distinction award. All entering firms will be considered based on their assets and quality of submission.

METHODOLOGY

Input comes from pension sponsors in both the private and public sectors. While we attach the greatest weighting to manager performance, other important criteria are expertise and caliber of professionals, fee structure, knowledge of the local market, organization and processes, customer service, innovation, and risk management. Accordingly, we obtain information and perspectives not only from chief investment officers and heads of asset allocation but from CEOs, chief executives, and managers and directors of pension funds. Performance will be judged over the most recent four (4) quarters.

ENTRY PREPARATION

Winners of *Global Finance's* World Best Pension Managers Awards are determined by unbiased research including nominations by pension sponsors within our readership. As a result, firms that do not enter may still be named winners. This is the first year of this awards program. However, experience drawn from *Global Finance's* other programs indicates that firms that submit entries reflecting their performance, capabilities, caliber of organization, fee structure, customer service, innovation, and knowledge of local markets are likely to achieve better results.

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All submissions are strictly confidential. Submissions should only include material suitable for the public domain.

Pension management firms that submit entries should provide concise information in the following areas:

1. Key performance data for the most recent four quarters, plus most recent AUM and relevant ratings
2. Details of key capabilities (e.g., active and index investing, risk management, quantitative investing, specialized trading capabilities), investment styles (e.g., equity and fixed income management, high-alpha portfolios, liability-driven and other outcome-oriented products, alternative investments, real estate, real assets, hedge funds, private equity) and services offered (e.g., research and analytic tools)
3. Description of unique, proprietary capabilities or innovative investment styles or approaches offered
4. Details of fee structure for active institutional management
5. Number of years in market
6. Please include the following information as a cover sheet to your submission to ensure that it is processed properly:
 - Company Name (as it should appear on awards-related materials and coverage):
 - Award(s) Being Submitted For:
 - Submission Contact Name and Title:
 - Submission Contact Email:
 - Marketing/Communications Contact Name and Title:
 - Marketing/Communications Contact Email:
 - Line of Business Head Name and Title:
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