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## RUSSIA'S BEST BANKS AND COMPANIES 2009

NEW YORK, April 28, 2009 — *Global Finance* magazine has released its annual rankings of the “Best Banks and Companies in Russia” covering a range of sectors. The rankings will be published in an exclusive survey in the June 2009 issue.

*Global Finance* editors – with input from industry analysts, corporate reports and other expert sources — selected the best banks and companies on a variety of criteria, both objective and subjective. Factors considered

included market share, profitability, evidence of long-term strategy, management quality and commitment to improvement in corporate governance.

“The Russian economy has come to a fork in the road. One path takes it to a gradual recovery. The other is a further lurch into uncharted recessionary waters,” says *Global Finance* publisher Joseph Giarraputo. “If Russia is to take the first fork, then these are the companies and banks that will lead the way.”

#### Best Russian Banks:

Domestic Bank	VTB
Foreign Bank	Citi
Regional Bank	UralSib
Domestic Investment Bank	Troika Dialog
Foreign Investment Bank	Credit Suisse
Commercial Bank	Sberbank
Consumer Bank	Raiffeisen
Foreign Exchange Bank	VTB
Domestic Trade Finance	VTB
International Trade Finance	Deutsche Bank
Asset Manager	Troika Dialog
Fixed Income Sales & Distribution	Zao Standard Bank
Syndicated Loans	J.P. Morgan
Book Runner Primary Equities	Morgan Stanley
International M&A Arranger	Morgan Stanley
Equity Research	Troika Dialog

Domestic Bond Research	Troika Dialog
Eurobond Research	Deutsche Bank

#### Best Russian Companies:

Beverages	Baltika
Consumer	Magnit
Gas	NOVATEK
Media	Rambler Media
Non-Ferrous Metals and Mining	Polyus Gold
Oil	Rosneft
Steel	TMK
Telecom	MTS
Transport	Novorossiysk Commercial Seaport
Utilities	Mosenergo

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