

Global Finance names the World's Best Emerging Market Banks 2012 in Africa

NEW YORK, March 20, 2012 — *Global Finance* magazine has named the "Best Emerging Market Banks in Africa" in an exclusive survey to be published in the May 2012 issue. *Global Finance* editors—with input from industry analysts, corporate executives and banking consultants—selected the best emerging market bank in the region and in 29 countries. Criteria for choosing the winners included growth in assets, profitability, strategic relationships, customer service, competitive pricing, and innovative products.

This is the nineteenth year that the magazine has selected top banking performers in emerging markets. The report covers best banks in Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America, and Central and Eastern Europe. "We remain in an unusually challenging environment for banks and their customers," says Joseph Giarraputo, publisher of *Global Finance*. "More than ever, customers are demanding superior competence from their banking partners. These are the banks best providing that competence."

Regional Winner: Ecobank

Algeria	Arab Banking Corporation Algeria
Angola	Banco Espírito Santo Angola
Botswana	Standard Chartered Bank Botswana
Burkina Faso	Ecobank Burkina Faso
Cameroon	Ecobank Cameroon
Côte d'Ivoire	Ecobank Côte d'Ivoire
Democratic Republic of Congo	Standard Bank Congo
Djibouti	International Commercial Bank (Djibouti)
Ethiopia	Nib International Bank
Gambia	Standard Chartered Bank Gambia
Ghana	Ghana Commercial Bank
Guinea	Ecobank Guinea Conakry
Kenya	Barclays Bank of Kenya
Madagascar	Bank of Africa
Mali	Bank of Africa
Mauritius	Mauritius Commercial Bank
Morocco	Attijariwafa Bank
Mozambique	Millennium bim
Namibia	Standard Bank Namibia
Nigeria	FirstBank of Nigeria
Rwanda	Banque Commerciale du Rwanda
Senegal	Ecobank Senegal
Sierra Leone	International Commercial Bank (Sierra Leone)
South Africa	Standard Bank
Togo	Ecobank Togo
Tunisia	Banque Internationale Arabe de Tunisie
Uganda	Stanbic Bank Uganda
Zambia	Standard Chartered Bank Zambia
Zimbabwe	Standard Chartered Bank Zimbabwe

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An Awards Ceremony for all winners will be conducted at the same time as the World Bank/IMF Meetings on the morning of Saturday, October 13, 2012 at The Foreign Correspondents' Club in Tokyo, Japan.

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