

### Global Finance Names The World's Best Emerging Markets Banks In Latin America 2014

NEW YORK, March 18, 2014 – *Global Finance* magazine has named the World's Best Emerging Markets Banks in Latin America in an exclusive survey to be published in the May 2014 issue. *Global Finance* editors—with input from industry analysts, corporate executives and banking consultants—selected the best emerging markets bank in the region and in 25 countries. Criteria for choosing the winners included growth in assets, profitability, strategic relationships, customer service, competitive pricing, and innovative products. In addition, for the first time, a poll of *Global Finance's* corporate readership was conducted in order to increase the accuracy and reliability of the results.

This is the twenty first year that the magazine has selected top banking performers in emerging markets. The report covers best banks in Latin America, Central & Eastern Europe, Asia-Pacific, the Middle East and Africa.

"Faced with slowing growth and volatile markets, these banks are star performers under increasingly challenging conditions," said Joseph D. Giarraputo, publisher and editorial director of *Global Finance*. "The banks that *Global Finance* is honoring may not be the largest or oldest, but they are the best at targeting their products and offerings to the specific markets they serve."

#### Regional Winner:

Argentina  
Barbados  
Belize  
Bolivia  
Brazil  
Chile  
Colombia  
Costa Rica  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
El Salvador  
Guatemala  
Honduras  
Jamaica  
Mexico  
Nicaragua  
Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Puerto Rico  
Trinidad & Tobago  
Turks & Caicos  
Uruguay  
US Virgin Islands  
Venezuela

#### Banco Santander

Banco Macro  
Scotiabank Barbados  
Belize Bank  
Banco de Crédito de Bolivia  
Itaú Unibanco  
Banco de Chile  
Bancolombia  
Banco de Costa Rica  
Citi  
Banco Pichincha  
Banco Agrícola  
Banco Industrial  
Banco Atlántida  
Scotiabank Jamaica  
BBVA Bancomer  
Banco Lafise Bancentro  
Banco General  
Banco Itaú Paraguay  
BBVA Continental  
Banco Santander Puerto Rico  
Scotiabank Trinidad & Tobago  
Scotiabank Turks & Caicos  
BBVA Uruguay  
Scotiabank USVI  
BBVA Banco Provincial

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#### AWARDS CEREMONY

The *Global Finance* World's Best Banks 2014 Awards Ceremony will be held during the IMF/World Bank Annual Meetings, on the morning of Saturday, October 11, 2014, at The Washington National Press Club.

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