

GLOBAL FINANCE NAMES THE 2009 WORLD'S BEST SUB-CUSTODIAN BANKS

NEW YORK, May 12, 2009 — *Global Finance* magazine has released its seventh annual ranking of the “Best Sub-Custodians.” This exclusive survey will be published in the July/August issue.

Global Finance editors and reporters, with input from expert sources, selected the winners from the institutions that reliably provide the best custody services in local markets and regions to global custodians. Our criteria included customer relations, quality of service, competitive pricing, smooth handling of exception items, technology platforms, post-settlement operations, business-continuity plans and knowledge of local regulations and practices.

The winning banks will be presented their awards at a special ceremony to be held during the Annual Meetings of the IMF and World Bank in Istanbul in October.

“At times like these, when markets are volatile and uncertain, sub-custodians are called upon to provide intelligence on local markets and sudden changes in regulations and practices,” said Joseph Giarraputo, publisher of *Global Finance*. “We have identified those banks that do the best job of providing the high-quality services, advice and assistance that today’s increasingly sophisticated customers have come to expect.”

Regional Winners

North America	The Bank of New York Mellon
Western Europe	BNP Paribas
Asia	Standard Chartered
Africa	Nedbank
Caribbean	HSBC
C & E Europe	RZB
Latin America	Citi
Middle East	HSBC
Nordic Countries	SEB

Country Winners

Argentina	Citi
Australia	National Australia Bank
Austria	RZB
Bahrain	HSBC
Belgium	KBC Securities
Brazil	Itaú Unibanco Banco Multiplo
Canada	CIBC Mellon
Chile	Banco de Chile
China	ICBC
Colombia	Citi
Croatia	RZB
Cyprus	Marfin Popular Bank
Czech Republic	CSOB
Denmark	Danske Bank
Egypt	CIB
Finland	SEB
France	BNP Paribas
Georgia	Bank of Georgia
Germany	Deutsche Bank
Greece	Eurobank EFG
Hong Kong	HSBC
Hungary	RZB
Iceland	Islandsbanki
India	Standard Chartered
Indonesia	Standard Chartered
Ireland	HSBC
Israel	Mizrahi Tefahot
Italy	Intesa Sanpaolo

Japan	Mizuho Corporate Bank
Jordan	HSBC
Kazakhstan	HSBC
Kuwait	HSBC
Lebanon	HSBC
Luxembourg	KBL European Private Bankers S.A.
Malaysia	Maybank
Mexico	Banamex
Netherlands	BNP Paribas
New Zealand	HSBC
Nigeria	Stanbic IBTC Bank
Norway	SEB
Oman	BankMuscat
Paraguay	Interbanco
Peru	J.P. Morgan Chase
Philippines	HSBC
Poland	Raiffeisen Bank Polska
Portugal	Banco Espirito Santo (BES)
Qatar	HSBC
Russia	VTB Bank
Saudi Arabia	SABB
Singapore	DBS
South Africa	Nedbank
South Korea	Korea Exchange Bank
Spain	Santander
Sri Lanka	Citi
Sweden	SEB
Switzerland	Credit Suisse
Taiwan	HSBC
Thailand	Bangkok Bank
Turkey	Deutsche Bank
UAE	Standard Chartered
Ukraine	Raiffeisen Bank Aval
United Kingdom	HSBC
United States	State Street
Uruguay	Itaú Unibanco Banco Multiplo
Venezuela	Citi
Vietnam	HSBC

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