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## Global Finance Names the World's 50 Safest Banks 2021

NEW YORK, September 13, 2021 — *Global Finance* has announced its 30th annual ranking of the World's 50 Safest Banks. The full list is included here and will be published in the November print and digital editions, and online at [GFMag.com](http://GFMag.com).

European banks dominate the top of the World's Safest Banks again in 2021, taking the first ten positions and 17 of the top 25. Germany's KfW is in the top spot for the 13th year in a row.

Asian banks put in a strong showing in the top 25 once again, led by Singapore's DBS Bank at #11 and followed by OCBC (#12), United Overseas Bank (#14), Korea Development Bank (#15), Export-Import Bank of Korea (#16) and Industrial Bank of Korea (#22).

"The past year demonstrates the resilience of the banking sector, which stood as a bulwark against collapse during the coronavirus pandemic, supplying critical emergency funding as well as, in many cases, emergency equipment and supplies," said Joseph Giarraputo, publisher and editorial director of *Global Finance*. "The safest banks are paragons of stability, and continue to provide necessary support for governments and communities as they seek to recover from pandemic's economic shocks."

*Global Finance's* annual rankings of the World's Safest Banks has been the recognized and trusted standard of financial counterparty safety for more than a quarter-century. Winners were selected through an evaluation of long-term foreign currency ratings—from Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch—of the 500 largest banks worldwide.

In addition to the World's 50 Safest Banks, the full report also includes the following: World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks, Safest Banks by Country, 50 Safest Banks in Emerging Markets, Safest Islamic Financial Institutions in the GCC, and Safest Banks by Region (Africa, Asia, Australasia, Central & Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, North America and Western Europe).

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RANK	BANK NAME	COUNTRY/TERRITORY
1	<b>KfW</b>	Germany
2	<b>Zuercher Kantonalbank</b>	Switzerland
3	<b>BNG Bank</b>	Netherlands
4	<b>Landwirtschaftliche Rentenbank</b>	Germany
5	<b>Nederlandse Waterschapsbank</b>	Netherlands
6	<b>L-Bank</b>	Germany
7	<b>Kommunalbanken</b>	Norway
8	<b>NRW.BANK</b>	Germany
9	<b>Swedish Export Credit Corporation</b>	Sweden
10	<b>Caisse des Depots et Consignations</b>	France
11	<b>DBS Bank</b>	Singapore
12	<b>Oversea-Chinese Banking Corp</b>	Singapore
13	<b>Svenska Handelsbanken</b>	Sweden
14	<b>United Overseas Bank</b>	Singapore
15	<b>Korea Development Bank</b>	South Korea
16	<b>The Export-Import Bank of Korea</b>	South Korea
17	<b>Banque et Caisse d'Epargne de l'Etat</b>	Luxembourg
18	<b>Banque Cantonale Vaudoise</b>	Switzerland
19	<b>TD Bank</b>	Canada
20	<b>Royal Bank of Canada</b>	Canada
21	<b>DZ BANK</b>	Germany
22	<b>Industrial Bank of Korea</b>	South Korea
23	<b>Deutsche Apotheker- und Aerztebank</b>	Germany
24	<b>DNB Bank</b>	Norway
25	<b>Banque Pictet &amp; Cie</b>	Switzerland



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26	SFIL	France
27	The Bank of Nova Scotia	Canada
28	Bank of Montreal	Canada
29	Nordea Bank	Finland
30	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	Canada
31	SEB	Sweden
32	First Abu Dhabi Bank	United Arab Emirates
33	Hang Seng Bank Limited	Hong Kong
34	Federation des Caisses Desjardins du Quebec	Canada
35	AgriBank	United States
36	Sparkassen-Finanzgruppe	Germany
37	UBS AG	Switzerland
38	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Australia
39	ANZ Group	Australia
40	Rabobank	Netherlands
41	Westpac Banking Corporation	Australia
42	National Australia Bank	Australia
43	Bank of Taiwan	Taiwan
44	CoBank	United States
45	OP Corporate Bank	Finland
46	AgFirst	United States
47	The Farm Credit Bank of Texas	United States
48	BNP Paribas	France
49	Credit Agricole	France
50	Swedbank	Sweden