

Euronext Brussels awards 2025 honour excellence and innovation in Belgian capital markets

Brussels – 16 January 2025 – Euronext Brussels today presented its prestigious Awards 2025 during its annual New Year Event, organised in collaboration with GUBERNA, the Belgian Institute for Corporate Governance. This year's event was attended by more than 500 key players from the international and Belgian financial and governmental sector, celebrating excellence and innovation in the Belgian capital markets.

During the Euronext Brussels New Year Event, the central theme of *'The Future of Industry in Europe'* sparked discussions on how European industries can adapt to new challenges while seizing growth opportunities. The panel discussion, keynote and speeches explored the evolving landscape of European markets, innovation in industrial sectors, and the strategic role of capital markets and corporate governance in driving sustainable development and economic growth.

Winners of Euronext Brussels awards 2024

The Euronext Brussels Awards 2024 recognise organisations for their outstanding performance and contributions to the development of Belgium's financial landscape. It is a longstanding tradition within the Belgian capital markets. The awards serve as a testament to the resilience and growth of the Euronext Brussels ecosystem in navigating the challenges of the past year. Among them are the best performing listed companies, market members and law firm of 2024.

This year's winners are:

Award category	Gold	Silver	Bronze
ECM Finance House of the Year	KBC SECURITIES	ING	GOLDMAN SACHS
DCM Finance House of the Year	BELFIUS	JP MORGAN	HSBC
DCM ESG Finance House of the Year	JEFFERIES	DEUTSCHE BANK	CRÉDIT AGRICOLE CIB
Transactional Lawyer of the Year	LINKLATERS	STIBBE	CLIFFORD CHANCE
BEL 20 Company of the Year	UCB	ARGENX SE	LOTUS BAKERIES
BEL Mid Company of the Year	DEME GROUP	IBA	XIOR
BEL Small Company of the Year	NYXOAH	ONWARD MEDICAL	WHAT'S COOKING GP
BELIR Award of the Year	KEPLER CHEUVREUX	KBC SECURITIES	DEGROOF PETERCAM
Cash Equity Brokerage House of the Year	MORGAN STANLEY INTERNATIONAL	JP MORGAN SECURITIES	GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL
Belgian Cash Equity Brokerage House of the Year	KBC	BELFIUS BANK	LELEUX ASSOCIATED BROKERS
Cash Equity SME Liquidity Provider of the Year	KBC	ROTHSCHILD MARTIN MAUREL	BANQUE DEGROOF PETERCAM
Derivatives Brokerage House of the Year	GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL	MORGAN STANLEY EUROPE SE	JP MORGAN SE
Derivatives Market Maker of the Year	SUSQUEHANNA INTERNATIONAL SECURITIES LIMITED	ALL OPTIONS INTERNATIONAL BV	OPTIVER VOF
Most innovative ECM Transaction of the Year	ING BELGIUM		

Benoît van den Hove, CEO and Chairman of Euronext Brussels, said: *“2024 has been a year of transformation for European capital markets, presenting both challenges and opportunities for growth. Through Euronext’s robust and integrated federal model, we ensure that local economies, including Belgium’s, are connected to global capital markets, providing companies with the necessary tools to access capital and innovate, grow or expand in an ever-changing economic environment. I am extremely proud that Euronext Brussels continues to be the driving force for the Belgian market enabling sustainable growth and investment opportunities. This year’s awards are therefore not just a celebration of individual achievements, but a recognition of the strength, resilience, and innovative power of Belgian champions within our financial ecosystem.”*

Notes to Editors:

- These awards are based exclusively on measurable figures.
- Performance for listed companies means the strongest increase in market capitalisation within the indicated peer group over the year 2024.
- **BEL 20 Company of the year** award is granted to the BEL20 company with the strongest increase in market capitalisation over the year (combined effect of evolution of share price and number of listed shares).
- **BEL Mid Company of the year** award is granted to the BEL Mid company with the strongest increase in market capitalisation over the year (combined effect of evolution of share price and number of listed shares).
- **BEL Small Company of the year** award is granted to the BEL Small company with the strongest increase in market capitalisation over the year (combined effect of evolution of share price and number of listed shares).
- **Equity Finance House of the year** award is based on the number of equity transactions listed on Euronext Brussels, weighted for the amount, advisory role and type of transaction involved.
- **Bond Finance House of the year** award is based on the number of bond transactions listed on Euronext Brussels, weighted for the amount, advisory role and type of transaction involved.
- **ESG Bond Finance House of the year** award is based on the number of ESG bond transactions listed on Euronext Brussels, weighted for the amount, advisory role and type of transaction involved.
- **Legal Firm of the year** award is based on the number of Debt Capital Markets (DCM) and Equity Capital Markets (ECM) transactions listed on Euronext Brussels, weighted for the amount, advisory role and type of transaction involved.
- **Cash Markets Brokerage House of the year** award is granted to the trading member who accounted for the highest volumes on the Euronext Brussels securities market.
- **Cash Markets Belgian Brokerage House of the year** award is granted to the Belgian trading member who accounted for the highest volumes on the Euronext Brussels securities market.
- **BELIR – Euronext Broker of the year** award is granted to the Belgian broker obtaining the highest performance score in a survey conducted among listed companies by BellR, the Belgian Investor Relations Association. Listed companies were asked to assess analyst coverage, corporate access, equity sales, as well as the overall information they were provided with.
- **Cash Markets SME Liquidity Provider of the year** award is granted to the trading member who accounted for the highest liquidity providing volume on companies with market cap < €1 billion.
- **Derivatives Markets Brokerage House of the year** award is granted to the trading member who accounted for the highest number of contracts traded on the Euronext Brussels derivatives market.

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