



## **NEWS FLASH**

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## SOCIETE GENERALE WINNER OF THE 2015 SHAREHOLDER CLUB AWARD

As part of the 2015 Shareholder Relations Awards, the fifth edition of this event organised by Les Echos and Investir/Le Journal des Finances in partnership with audit firm Mazars, Societe Generale has been awarded the 2015 Shareholder Club Prize for the best ways of communicating with individual shareholders.

Societe Generale stood out for the quality of its communication with its shareholders. The Group lays a lot of stress on regular dialogue with individual shareholders through:

- meetings with the general management to maintain close relations with shareholders and provide a platform to discuss their company's strategy;
- the Shareholder Consultative Committee which was created nearly 30 years ago, and which advises the group on how to communicate with shareholders based on its commitment and experience;
- new initiatives, notably the set-up of online meetings during which shareholders can interact directly, and the development of a mobile application specifically for individual shareholders, which will be available shortly;
- a dedicated space on the Group's institutional website under "My shareholder area" providing shareholders with all the information they need;
- the Societe Generale Club which rewards shareholder loyalty and invites them to participate in around sixty events around France every year.

During the award ceremony on 4 November, Group Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Hervé de Kerdrel, said: "This award is a reflection of the Group's commitment to maintaining a relationship of trust with its shareholders, which hinges on transparent, educational and regular communication."

## **Societe Generale**

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