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SOCIETE GENERALE CORPORATE & INVESTMENT BANKING RECOGNISED BY EUROMONEY MAGAZINE'S 2013 AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking (SG CIB) was awarded “**Best Infrastructure & Project Finance House**” and “**Best Equity House in France**” by *Euromoney* magazine at the 2013 *Global Awards for Excellence* ceremony.

This is the first time that SG CIB has been awarded “Best Infrastructure & Project Finance House” by *Euromoney*. The accolade rewards the bank’s continued commitment to specialized financing and the expertise of its teams which structure and bring landmark and transformational deals to the market. In particular, SG CIB acted as sole financial adviser as well as structuring and joint lead arranging the landmark USD 3.6bn project financing in 2012 for the Louisiana-based Sabine Pass Liquefaction plant which will create the first bi-directional liquefied natural gas terminal. SG CIB was also involved from the outset in the EUR 3.2bn acquisition of Open Grid Europe, the largest infrastructure acquisition financing in 2012.

The “Best Equity House in France” was awarded to SG CIB for the third consecutive year. This award highlights the successes of the SG CIB’s Corporate Finance franchise which has played a leading role in all the different equity capital markets products in France for many years. Notably SG CIB has increased its market share in a very active primary market in France so far this year, with 2013 YTD volumes at EUR 12.4 billion (2.4x that of H1 2012) and with SG CIB’s market share going from 16.8% in 2012 to 17.5% in 2013.*

In 2013, SG CIB led as Joint Global Coordinator and Joint Bookrunner Lagardère’s entire stake disposal in EADS for EUR 2.3 billion, one of the most important and complex accelerated placements of recent times, being part of EADS’s successful shareholding and governance overhaul. The bank also helped Groupe Bruxelles Lambert dispose of its EUR 1.1 billion stake in GDF Suez.

SG CIB has also continued to dominate midcap French equity capital markets since the beginning of the year having bookrun successful transactions such as the EUR 200 million ORNANE for Orpea, the fourth consecutive capital market transaction bookrun by SG CIB for this issuer. The bank also executed the Heriard-Dubreuil family’s disposal of 1.5 million shares in Remy Cointreau for an amount of EUR 128 million, notably aiming at financing the acquisition of listed company Oeneo.

In addition, **SG CIB’s Rating Advisory team was voted number one at the global level** for the third consecutive year at the *Euromoney Primary Debt Survey 2013*. This result illustrates the quality of the advisory services offered by SG CIB and the recognition of its customers.

These accolades demonstrate the bank’s continued commitment in financing and advising its clients.

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