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## SOCIETE GENERALE AWARDED 'BEST BANK FOR INNOVATION' AND 'BEST BANK FOR RISK MANAGEMENT' IN EASTERN EUROPE IN TREASURY MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL AWARDS 2013

The Global Transaction Banking division at Societe Generale, has been awarded 'Best Bank for Innovation' and 'Best Bank for Risk Management' in Eastern Europe in this year's TMI Awards for Innovation & Excellence in Treasury Management.

The Banking Innovation Awards, new category for 2013, recognises the high quality solution and customer service the Cash Management team at Societe Generale delivers to its clients through technology innovation and delivery of banking solutions and services.

Through those two awards, TMI readers distinguish the banks who best understand the challenges in the global treasury area. This double feat highlights Societe Generale's commitment and its achievements in delivering the most advanced and efficient services to its clients around the world.

The Global Transaction Banking division designs domestic and international solutions for corporates and institutional investors to improve their payment methods, monitor their accounts, manage their transactions remotely and pool their cash. With a global network across 55 countries, the Global Transaction Banking division is able to meet a wide variety of client requirements.

\*Treasury Management International (TMI), is published in association with the European Associations of Corporate Treasurers (EACT), and is a global publication. It is focused on the business of treasury and the finance profession, reporting on the latest developments within the banking, treasury technology, and treasury advisory sectors. The TMI awards are voted by the readers of the publication – treasury and finance professionals. Last year more than 1,500 votes were polled from Asia, North America and Europe from TMI's global magazine readership of 8,000 treasury professionals.

## Societe Generale

Societe Generale is one of the largest European financial services groups. Based on a diversified universal banking model, the Group combines financial solidity with a strategy of sustainable growth, and aims to be the reference for relationship banking, recognised on its markets, close to clients, chosen for the quality and commitment of its teams.

Societe Generale has been playing a vital role in the economy for 150 years. With more than 154,000 employees, based in 76 countries, we accompany 32 million clients throughout the world on a daily basis. Societe Generale's teams offer advice and services to individual, corporate and institutional customers in three core businesses:

- Retail banking in France with the Societe Generale branch network, Credit du Nord and Boursorama, offering a comprehensive range of multichannel financial services on the leading edge of digital innovation;
- International retail banking, financial services and insurance with a presence in emerging economies and leading specialised businesses;
- Corporate and investment banking, private banking, asset management and securities services, with recognised
  expertise, top international rankings and integrated solutions.

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## **Global Transaction Banking**

Global Transaction Banking (GTB) integrates, within the Societe Generale Group, business activities such as cash management, correspondent banking, international trade finance, factoring and related currency services. These different competencies are offered to financial institutions and companies including multinational corporations as well as large- and medium-size companies that conduct business internationally.

Active in more than 50 countries across the globe, GTB teams offer bespoke and secure domestic and international solutions to optimise and manage daily financial transactions and sales operations.

The expertise of its teams is regularly recognised: in 2013, GTB was elected Best cash management services and Best Treasury Services in Europe (EMEA Finance Magazine 2013), #1 Trade Bank in France and 8th worldwide (Source: SWIFT), "Best customer service in Europe" (Euromoney FX 2013). In June 2013, CGA – Compagnie Générale d'Affacturage, a fully-owned Societe Generale subsidiary was elected 1st French factor for the quality of its import-export activities (FCI ranking).