



THE M&A
ATLAS
AWARDS

GLOBAL MAJOR MARKETS
8th Annual



CONGRATULATIONS
to all the

2016 WINNERS!

September 23, 2016, New York: Global M&A Network, honored the winners the **8th ANNUAL M&A ATLAS AWARDS**, in twenty-three “Transactions”, seven “Global Outstanding Firms” as well as, six “Regional Outstanding M&A Firms” honors for executing deals valued above a billion USD.

“Once again, we are delighted to honor the achievements of top players from the deal communities. The winners represent vision, courage and practicality for executing transformational transactions in an increasingly competitive markets. We thank the winners for celebrating their achievements with us and wish them continued success.” Shanta Kumari, CEO and Group Editor, at Global M&A Network.

GIC Private, the sovereign wealth fund of Government of Singapore is the recipient of the inaugural, “*Global Institutional Investor*” for direct and co-investment in the buyout asset class; and CVC Capital Partners won the “*Global Private Equity Firm*” top honors. GTCR was awarded the “*America Private Equity Firm*” award and Fosun International, won the “*Asia Pacific Private Equity Firm*” accolade.

Outstanding M&A firm awards winner’s included – PJT Partners won the “*Boutique M&A Investment Bank*” accolade for the first time; Sullivan & Cromwell won the coveted “*Global M&A Law Firm*”; Ernst & Young received the “*Global Accounting & M&A Tax Advisor*”, for the second time; FTI Strategic Communications received the “*M&A Public Relations Firm*” honors; while, Goldman Sachs won the coveted “*Global M&A Investment Bank*” accolade for the seventh time!

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about: M&A ATLAS AWARDS, Global Major Markets *: World’s first and the only industry awards to exclusively honor excellence for executing transactions valued above a billion dollars in the categories of best value-creating deals, top teams and outstanding firms of the year awards. As always, winners are honored at the winners awards gala ceremony, held annually in New York.

PRESTIGE: Winning the M&A ATLAS AWARDS equates to achieving the highest “*Gold Standard of Performance*” seal of endorsement globally, locally and regionally since the winners are selected independently based on the deal performance criteria. The awards validate corporate growth, private equity investment strategy, deal team expertise, as well as the organization competitive global brand leadership position.

*** NEW:** The European, Middle East, Africa and Asia Pacific regional major market deals and firm award winners will be honored at the respective regional EMEA and Asia Pacific M&A Atlas Awards Gala, beginning this year.

About Host: Global M&A Network is a diversified media, news and world-class conference connecting company. The company produces the industry’s most coveted – The M&A ATLAS branded awards worldwide - from New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Hong Kong, Mumbai/New Delhi, to London.

GLOBAL DEAL of the YEAR
AWARDS WINNER

GLOBAL M&A DEAL of the YEAR | \$5 - \$1 billion.

DEAL WINNER: JBS acquisition of Moy Pak from Marfig Global Foods.

Winners Circle: JBS, Bradesco BBA.

GLOBAL M&A DEAL of the YEAR | \$15 - \$5 billion.

DEAL WINNER: Activision Blizzard acquisition of King Digital Entertainment.

Winners Circle: Fenwick & West, legal advisor to King Digital.

GLOBAL M&A DEAL of the YEAR | Above \$15 billion.

DEAL WINNER: Willis Group merger with Towers Watson (Willis Towers Watson).

Winners Circle: Willis Towers Watson, Ernst & Young.

EMERGING MARKETS M&A DEAL of the YEAR

DEAL WINNER: Al Noor Hospitals reverse takeover of Medi-Clinic (Mediclinic International).

Winners Circle: Goldman Sachs, financial advisor to Al Noor.

GLOBAL CORPORATE M&A DEAL of the YEAR | \$1 - \$5 billion.

DEAL WINNER: IBM acquisition of The Weather Company's B2B, mobile and cloud-based products.

Winners Circle: IBM, PJT Partners, financial advisor to the sell-side.

GLOBAL CORPORATE M&A DEAL of the YEAR | Above \$15 billion.

DEAL WINNER: Novartis acquisition of GSK oncology business and GlaxoSmithKline acquisition of Novartis' vaccine business, and joint venture combination of their respective OTC business units.

Winners Circle: GlaxoSmithKline, Novartis, Ernst & Young.

GLOBAL PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR | Above \$5 billion.

DEAL WINNER: The Carlyle Group and GIC acquisition of Veritas Technologies from Symantec.

Winners Circle: GIC, Fenwick & West, legal advisor to Symantec.

GLOBAL PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR | \$1 - \$5 billion.

DEAL WINNER: CVC Capital Partners acquisition of Douglas from Advent International and Kreke family.

Winners Circle: CVC Capital Partners.

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GLOBAL DEAL of the YEAR
AWARDS WINNERS

CROSS BORDER DEAL of the YEAR | Above \$15 billion.

DEAL WINNER: General Electric acquisition of Alstom Power & Grid.

Winner Circle: General Electric.

CROSS BORDER DEAL of the YEAR | \$15 – \$1 billion.

DEAL WINNER: Cap Gemini acquisition of iGate.

Winners Circle: Cap Gemini, Khaitan & Co, legal advisor to iGate.

AMERICA DEAL of the YEAR
AWARDS WINNERS

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AMERICA M&A DEAL of the YEAR | \$5 – \$1 billion.

DEAL WINNER: Stock Building Supply Holdings merger with Building Materials Holding.

Winner Circle: Hunton & Williams LLP.

AMERICA M&A DEAL of the YEAR | \$25 – \$5 billion.

DEAL WINNER: Albertsons led by Cerberus Capital Management investor group acquisition of Safeway.

Winners Circle: Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP, legal advisor to the acquirer group.

AMERICA M&A DEAL of the YEAR | Above \$25 billion.

DEAL WINNER: AT&T acquisition of Direct TV.

Winners Circle: AT&T, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP legal advisor to AT&T.

AMERICA PRIVATE EQUITY DEAL of the YEAR

DEAL WINNER: GTCR and Warburg Pincus recapitalization of Sterigencis International.

Winners Circle: GTCR.

LATIN AMERICA M&A DEAL of the YEAR

DEAL WINNER: Telefónica acquisition of Global Village Telecom.

Winners Circle: Telefónica, Machado Meyer Sendacz e Opice Advogados.

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INDUSTRY DEAL *of the YEAR*
AWARDS WINNERS

GLOBAL CONSUMER GOODS DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: H.J. Heinz merger with Kraft Foods Group (Kraft Heinz).

Winners Circle: Sullivan & Cromwell LLP legal advisor to Kraft Foods.

GLOBAL ENERGY & SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: Repsol acquisition of Talisman Energy.

Winners Circle: Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP legal advisor to Talisman.

GLOBAL ENTERTAINMENT & MEDIA DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: TPG Capital, Fosun International and Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec acquisition stake in Cirque du Soleil.

Winners Circle: Fosun International.

GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: ACE acquisition of The Chubb Corporation (Chubb Group).

Winners Circle: Chubb Group, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP legal advisor to ACE.

GLOBAL INDUSTRIALS DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: Rock-Tenn Company merger with MeadWestvaco (WestRock Company).

Winners Circle: PJT Partners.

GLOBAL PHARMA & DEVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: Actavis acquisition of Allergan (Allergan).

Winners Circle: Goldman Sachs, financial advisor to Allergan.

GLOBAL TECHNOLOGY & TELECOM DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: Avago Technologies acquisition of Broadcom (Broadcom).

Winners Circle: Broadcom, Deutsche Bank Securities, financial advisor to Avago.

GLOBAL TRANSPORT & SERVICES DEAL *of the YEAR*

DEAL WINNER: Bohai Leasing, subsidiary of HNA Group acquisition of Avolon.

Winners Circle: UBS Investment Bank, financial advisor to Bohai and HNA Group.

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**OUTSTANDING GLOBAL
FIRM of the YEAR
AWARDS WINNERS**

GLOBAL INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR *of the Year* | Asset Class: Direct Investments & Buyouts
WINNER: **GIC Private** (Sovereign wealth fund of Government of Singapore)

GLOBAL PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **CVC Capital Partners**

GLOBAL M&A INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*
WINNER: **Goldman Sachs Group**

GLOBAL M&A LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Sullivan & Cromwell, LLP**

BOUTIQUE M&A INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*
WINNER: **PJT Partners**

GLOBAL ACCOUNTING *and* M&A TAX ADVISOR *of the Year*
WINNER: **Ernst & Young**

GLOBAL M&A PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **FTI Strategic Communications Group**

Firm Performance Selection Criteria: (1) Outcome of top closed transactions valued above a billion USD; (2) Year to year improvements; (3) International markets expertise, team leadership, record of executing transactions, and client service.

**OUTSTANDING REGIONAL
PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM of the YEAR**

Note: Europe, Middle East and Africa outstanding private equity firm award is presented at the EMEA M&A Awards Gala, held on October 20, 2016 in London, UK.

AMERICA PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **GTCR**

ASIA PACIFIC PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Fosun International**

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M&A FIRM *of the Year*
AWARDS WINNERS**

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AMERICA M&A
INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*
WINNER: **J.P Morgan Securities**

AMERICA M&A
LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP**

LATIN AMERICA M&A
INVESTMENT BANK *of the Year*
WINNER: **Bradesco BBI S.A.**

LATIN AMERICA M&A
LAW FIRM *of the Year*
WINNER: **Machado Meyer Sendacz e Opice Advogados**

Regional Firm Performance Selection Criteria: (1) Outcome of top closed transactions valued above a billion USD; (2) Year to year improvements; (3) Respective regional markets expertise, team leadership, record of executing transactions, and client service.

Upcoming Awards Gala Celebrations:

Europe, Middle East *and* Africa M&A Atlas Awards Gala *and* Ceremony
Tuesday, October 25, 2016 | London, United Kingdom.

Americas Middle Markets M&A Atlas Awards Gala *and* Ceremony
Tuesday, December 6th, 2016 | New York, United States.

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