



GLOBAL 2008: SHORT LIST OF FINALISTS UNVEILED – REQUEST YOUR COPY TODAY

(This is a short list, not a final “winner” announcement. Information not for media distribution)

November 10, 2008: New York, NY: During these times of great changes and uncertainties, The M&A Atlas Awards will spotlight the best and the brightest leaders and executives as well as firms from the mergers, acquisitions, alternative investing and related industries for successfully completing transactions in excess of a billion USD. Global Major-Markets program thrives to be the gold standard for recognizing achievements in the industry founded on principles of authenticity, objectivity and excellence.

Executing major transactions of over billion dollars, calls for sharp understanding of complexities; artful negotiating skills; and a great deal of resourcefulness and perseverance. In recognition of such talents and capabilities, the program bestows the highest industry accolade to brilliant leaders and industry experts, firms for their outstanding performance and victorious deals completed ending in October of this calendar year.

Countless major-market deals were tracked some dating as far back as 2006 and 2007. Only transactions that are signed, sealed, and completed are selected. Deals were rigorously evaluated based on identifiable, mathematical and neutral set of variables to produce a short-list of finalists.

Award winners *must* attend the M&A Atlas Awards Gala, a premier gathering held at the American Museum of Natural History, evening of January 21, 2009 to be officially recognized as the “WINNER”; receive their trophy and share their accolade. Significantly, all industry participants in major-markets can take pride in having worked on an impressive list of transactions covering all corners of the globe.

“GLOBAL 2008” award categories include: “DEALS”—top honors, regional, and sector awards; FIRM of the YEAR; and “INDIVIDUAL” accolades for dealmakers and leaders. Please feel free to contact us to request your copy of finalists and/or inform all the counter-parties and deal teams of the short-listed transactions.

THE M&A ATLAS AWARDS GALA and CEREMONY

January 21, 2009, at American Museum of Natural History

To request a copy of the finalists, or importantly to reserve your “DEAL or CORPORATE” tables at the gala, please contact:

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Policy Disclosure:

The Awards Gala is a privately hosted gathering, and by invitation to organizations and industry leaders. Space is limited and priority is given to guests with table reservations, and/or sponsor organization guests.

It is closed to all media groups and reporters for coverage. Global M&A Network does not promote the gala, finalists or the winners to media groups.

“DEAL WINNERS”: Since each major-market deal has multiple counter parties, advisors and sub-advisors, only ONE trophy is given to a representative from the collective “Deal Team”. The representative collecting the trophy at the awards gala, can be EITHER the strategic party, the private equity party, the primary legal OR the financial advisor. Each participating organization involved in the winning transaction is collectively considered the “DEAL TEAM”, and can claim the victory of having successfully completed the transaction.

A press release of the “winners” will be released January 22, 2009.