



## Press release

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# BANCO Swiss Hedge Funds Awards 2015 And the best hedge funds in Switzerland are...

The upper crust of the hedge funds industry in Switzerland gathered yesterday for the 9th edition of the BANCO Swiss Hedge Funds Awards. Launched in 2006 by BANCO, the Swiss Asset Management Magazine, the BANCO Swiss Hedge Funds Awards is an absolutely unique competition in Switzerland. Once again last night, it has been acknowledged as a key event for the Swiss hedge funds industry, with close to 200 guests attending it.

Presented in association with IG Bank and Key Investment Services, the ceremony took place at the Hôtel des Bergues in Geneva and rewarded the 26 best funds available to Swiss investors (both single hedge funds and funds of hedge funds) in 9 different categories.

This year, 290 funds lined up in the hope of getting a coveted trophy, which is slightly less than in 2014. However, the diversity of participants has never been greater for at least two reasons. First, most of the funds decided to compete only with a limited number of classes, which prevented any sort of duplication effect. Second, there have never been as many single hedge funds among the participants, and hence, among the nominees and winners.

As always, the BANCO Swiss Hedge Funds Awards applies strict transparency requirements to participants, not only in terms of their performance history, but also in terms of their underlying positions – all of which allow for a proper assessment of the nominees (selected on a quantitative basis) by a Jury of institutional investors and industry experts.

The BANCO Swiss Hedge Funds Awards recognize both single hedge funds and funds of hedge funds, covering funds that are either registered for public distribution in Switzerland or restricted to qualified investors. However, to remain faithful to its Swiss roots, the competition only considers funds not registered with FINMA if their promoter also includes registered funds in their range or has representative offices in Switzerland. This year, out of 26 winning funds, 7 are registered in Switzerland and 19 are restricted to qualified investors.

The pictures of the event will be published in the December issue of BANCO, but will also be found on [www.bancoawards.com](http://www.bancoawards.com) on Tuesday, November 3.



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## Winners of category Funds of Hedge Funds

### LONG/SHORT EQUITY

- 1 AN** KEDGE CAPITAL EQUITY OPPORTUNITIES PC\*
- 3 ANS** KEDGE CAPITAL EQUITY OPPORTUNITIES PC\*
- 5 ANS** European Capital Holdings\*
- 10 ANS** Prima Capital Fund\*

### MULTISTRATEGY NO BIAS

- 1 AN** R Opal Multi Strategies\*
- 3 ANS** UBS Global Alpha Strategies Limited\*
- 5 ANS** Kempen Non Directional Partnership\*
- 10 ANS** KEDGE CAPITAL SEDNA No. 1 Fund\*

### MULTISTRATEGY DEFENSIVE BIAS

- 1 AN** Credit Suisse (Lux) Prima Multi-Strategy
- 3 ANS** Edmond de Rothschild Prifund Alpha Uncorrelated
- 5 ANS** Stable Growth Limited\*
- 10 ANS** Stable Growth Limited\*

### OTHER STRATEGIES

- 1 AN** R Opal Global Trading\*
- 3 ANS** Hausmann\*
- 5 ANS** R Opal Global Trading\*
- 10 ANS** R Opal Global Trading\*

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## Winners of category Single Hedge Funds

### LONG/SHORT EQUITY

- 1 AN** European Hedge Fund\*
- 3 ANS** H2O Multiequities\*
- 5 ANS** Old Mutual UK Dynamic Equity

### FIXED INCOME

- 1 AN** Galena Commodity Trade Finance Fund\*
- 3 ANS** Alegria ABS I\*
- 5 ANS** Candriam Bonds Credit opportunities

### CTA / MANAGED FUTURES

- 1 AN** MS Lynx UCITS Fund
- 3 ANS** DB Platinum IV Systematic Alpha

### MACRO

- 1 AN** MS SLJ Macro UCITS Fund

### OTHER STRATEGIES

- 1 AN** Médicis Alternative Option\*

#### Note to the editors:

- **Nominees are funds that**
  - were ranked best among their peers;
  - provided information with full transparency;
  - and met all criteria of good faith and diligence set by the Jury of the BANCO Swiss Hedge Funds Awards.
- **“Other Strategies” Category:**

In order to allow funds that belong to strategies with less than 10 eligible candidates to compete for the BANCO Swiss Hedge Funds Awards 2015, the Jury decided to reward the most appealing portfolio among them for each period. The strategies that appear under this category are:

  - for the funds of hedge funds: CTA/Managed Futures, Fixed Income, Event-Driven, Multi-Strategy Aggressive Bias, Global Macro, Emerging Markets, and Natural Resources.
  - for the single hedge funds: Event-Driven, Real Estate, Emerging Markets, Multi-Strategy No Bias and Multi-Strategy Defensive Bias.



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