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Thomson Reuters Announces France Lipper Fund Awards 2010 Winners

The winners of the France Lipper Fund Awards 2010 were announced by Thomson Reuters at a ceremony in Paris last night.

BlackRock won the Best Fund Group Overall – Large award. The full list of Group trophy winners include:

Winner	Group Award
BlackRock	Best Fund Group Overall – Large
CamGestion	Best Fund Group Overall – Small
Generali	Best Bond Fund Group – Large
CamGestion	Best Bond Fund Group – Small
First State	Best Equity Fund Group – Large
DNCA Finance	Best Equity Fund Group – Small
HSBC	Best Mixed Assets Group – Large
DNCA Finance	Best Mixed Assets Group – Small

Individual award winners include Fidelity International with 14, Amundi with 12 and BlackRock and UBS with seven awards in total.

Dunny Moonesawmy, Lipper's head of research for Western Europe, Middle East and Africa at Thomson Reuters said: " We are thrilled to honor the best fund groups in France. Finding first rate companies to manage client assets is an important concern amongst investors and the Lipper Fund Awards recognize the groups that are the best in producing consistent and superior results relative to their peers."

France is one of the 23 countries and regions covered by Lipper's program of 2010 fund awards and are part of the Thomson Reuters Awards for Excellence, a global family of awards that celebrate exceptional performance throughout the professional investment community.

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**Notes to Editors**

1. In calculating the awards, Lipper considered all those funds registered for sale in France, classifying both offshore and domestic funds together. Awards were given to funds with a 3, 5 and 10 year history as at the end of the evaluation year in equity, bond and mixed-asset Lipper Global Classifications with at least ten distinct portfolios. Both group and fund awards were calculated using Lipper's Consistent Return score. A more detailed Fund Awards Methodology can be found at excellence.thomsonreuters.com/lipper.
2. Fund management companies are considered "Large" or "Small" groups depending on whether they have assets under management across Europe of more or less than US\$11 billion respectively.
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