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## Thomson Reuters Announces Italy Lipper Fund Awards 2010 Winners

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

Fidelity International won the Best Fund Group Overall - Large award. The full list of Group trophy winners include:

Winner	Group Award
Fidelity International	Best Fund Group Overall - Large
Sella Gestioni	Best Fund Group Overall - Small
UBI Pramerica	Best Bond Fund Group - Large
Janus	Best Bond Fund Group - Small
First State	Best Equity Fund Group - Large
Financière de l'Echiquier	Best Equity Fund Group - Small
BlackRock	Best Mixed Assets Group - Large
Nextam Partners	Best Mixed Assets Group - Small

UBS won 12 individual awards while Fidelity International won 11 awards in total and Franklin Templeton with eight.

Dunny Moonesawmy, Lipper's head of research for Western Europe, Middle East and Africa at Thomson Reuters said: "We are proud to recognize the best investment fund companies in Italy for their superior performance. The Lipper Fund Awards are based on a precise measurement emphasizing risk-adjusted returns and consistency – the key to long-term success."

Italy 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 Italy, 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](http://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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