

EuroWeek awards honour bond market's finest

EUROWEEK held its inaugural Bond Market Dinner last night (Thursday), attended by many leading figures from the issuers and investment banks in the international bond market.

Some 330 people gathered in London's Royal Courts of Justice to see the winners announced in *EuroWeek's* first Bond Market Awards.

Through the generosity of institutions and people at the dinner, the event raised well over £100,000 for the charity Hope and Homes for Children, which finds homes for orphaned children in Africa and eastern Europe. The full total raised and details of donors will be pub-

lished in next week's *EuroWeek*.

Among the award winners were the Republic of Italy, voted Best High Grade Sovereign Funding Team, and KfW, which won Best Funding Team in the category of large supnationals and agencies.

Individual award winners included Sean Taor of Barclays Capital, Carl Norrey of JP Morgan, Gary Abrahams of UBS, Kitty Yoh of GE Capital and Richard Shrimpton of HBOS.

Like all accolades given by *EuroWeek*, the Bond Market Awards are not decided by journalists, but voted for by experts in those spe-

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cific markets, through polls conducted over the past two months.

The Bond Market Awards are complementary to the familiar awards given by *EuroWeek* in its Review of the Year, published every January.

These new awards recognise not the Deals of the Year but the individuals and teams that have excelled during the year.

In each major sector of the bond market — Sovereign borrowers, Supranationals and Agencies, Financial Institutions, Corporate borrowers and Emerging Markets — our voters have picked out the best investment banker, investment banking team, individual funding official and funding team.

The awards for investment banks and bankers were voted for exclusively by borrowers.

Likewise, investment banks were polled on the borrowers they esteemed most highly.

There are also awards for the best issuers and investment banks in each of the major currency groups.

EuroWeek congratulates all the award winners and nominees and thanks all the participants at the dinner and generous charity donors. ■

High Grade Sovereigns

BEST HIGH GRADE SOVEREIGN BANKER

Winner:

Sean Taor, Barclays Capital

Nominees:

Bill Northfield, Deutsche Bank
Zeina Bignier,
Société Générale

BEST HIGH GRADE SOVEREIGN FUNDING OFFICIAL

Winner:

Anne Leclercq,
Kingdom of Belgium

Nominees:

Helmut Eder,
Republic of Austria
Maria Cannata, Republic of Italy

BEST HIGH GRADE SOVEREIGN BANK TEAM

Winner:

Barclays Capital

Nominees:

Deutsche Bank
Société Générale

BEST HIGH GRADE SOVEREIGN FUNDING TEAM

Winner:

Republic of Italy

Nominees:

Hellenic Republic
Kingdom of Belgium

Supranationals and Agencies

BEST SUPRANATIONAL/ AGENCY BANKER

Winner:

Carl Norrey, JP Morgan

Nominees:

Olivier Vion, JP Morgan
Sean Taor, Barclays Capital
Stuart McGregor, Merrill Lynch

BEST SUPRANATIONAL/ AGENCY BANK TEAM

Winner:

JP Morgan

Nominees:

Goldman Sachs
Royal Bank of Canada

BEST FUNDING OFFICIAL AT A SUPRANATIONAL/AGENCY WITH A FUNDING REQUIREMENT OF OVER EU20BN

Winner:

Horst Seissinger, KfW

Nominees:

Barbara Bargagli-Petrucci, EIB
Sandeep Dhawan, EIB

BEST FUNDING TEAM AT A SUPRANATIONAL/AGENCY WITH A FUNDING REQUIREMENT OF OVER EU20BN

Winner:

KfW

Nominees:

EIB

BEST FUNDING OFFICIAL AT A SUPRANATIONAL/AGENCY WITH A FUNDING REQUIREMENT OF LESS THAN EU20BN

Winner:

Bart van Dooren,
Bank Nederlandse Gemeenten

Nominees:

Kari Kukka,
Nordic Investment Bank
Waltraut Burghardt,
Oesterreichische Kontrollbank

BEST FUNDING TEAM AT A SUPRANATIONAL/AGENCY WITH A FUNDING REQUIREMENT OF LESS THAN EU20BN

Winner:

Nordic Investment Bank

Nominees:

Oesterreichische Kontrollbank
World Bank

Emerging Market Sovereigns

BEST EMERGING MARKETS BANKER

Winner:

William Weaver, Citigroup

Nominees:

Andrew Dell, HSBC
Dmitry Safronov, UBS

BEST EMERGING MARKETS SOVEREIGN FUNDING OFFICIAL

Winner:

László Búzás,
Republic of Hungary

Nominees:

Gerardo Rodríguez,
United Mexican States
Memduh Aslan Akçay,
Republic of Turkey

BEST EMERGING MARKETS SOVEREIGN BANK TEAM

Winner:

Citigroup

Nominees:

Deutsche Bank
UBS

BEST EMERGING MARKETS SOVEREIGN FUNDING TEAM

Winner:

Republic of Turkey

Nominees:

Republic of Hungary
United Mexican States