

World's Best Digital Bank Awards 2020 PRESS RELEASE

Global Finance Names the World's Best Consumer Digital Banks in Central & Eastern Europe 2020

NEW YORK, August 12, 2020 – *Global Finance* has announced the Round One winners for the 2020 World's Best Consumer Digital Banks Awards in Central & Eastern Europe. This is the 21st year *Global Finance* has named the World's Best Digital Banks. Details on all Round One winners will be published in the September issue.

Round One winners include Best Consumer Digital Banks, Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Banks and the Best Islamic Digital Banks at the country level. Winners were selected in Africa, Asia-Pacific, Central & Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, North America and Western Europe. Also announced today were Regional winners in Sub-Categories such as Best Information Security and Fraud Management, Best Mobile Banking App and Most Innovative Digital Bank.

Round Two winners, which include the overall Regional and Global winners, and Global Sub-Category winners, will be announced in October and published in the December issue. These awards are usually revealed at *Global Finance's* annual Best Digital Bank Awards dinner. Due to the pandemic, it is unclear whether this event will be held. If a physical or virtual event is scheduled, all winning organizations will be notified well in advance.

Winners were chosen from entries evaluated by a world-class panel of judges at Infosys, a global leader in consulting, technology and outsourcing. The editors of *Global Finance* were responsible for the final selection of all winners.

Only banks that entered the competition were considered for awards, and awards were only given in those regions, countries and categories in which there were entries.

Winning banks were selected based on the following criteria: strength of strategy for attracting and servicing digital customers, success in getting clients to use digital offerings, growth of digital customers, breadth of product offerings, evidence of tangible benefits gained from digital initiatives, and web/mobile site design and functionality. Category winners, such as Best Mobile Banking App were selected based on the relative strength and success of those web products and services.

"This year, a global pandemic accelerated the transition to digital banking, but forward-thinking banks were already on that road," said Joseph D. Giarraputo, publisher and editorial director of *Global Finance*. "The Digital Bank Awards hone in on the institutions that are leading the shift toward a new world of banking."

The full list of *Global Finance's* 2020 World's Best Consumer Digital Banks Round One winners in Central & Eastern Europe follows.

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COUNTRY WINNERS	
Armenia	Evoca Bank
Belarus	Alfa Bank
Bulgaria	UniCredit Bulbank
Georgia	Bank of Georgia
Hungary	OTP Bank
Latvia	Baltic International Bank
Poland	Bank Millennium
Romania	Garanti BBVA
Russia	Tinkoff Bank
Slovakia	Tatra banka
Ukraine	PrivatBank

REGIONAL SUB-CATEGORY WINNERS	
Best Integrated Consumer Bank Site	Bank Millennium
Best Online Product Offerings	Bank of Georgia
Best Bill Payment & Presentment	Sberbank
Best Website Design	Tinkoff Bank
Best Mobile Banking App	Tinkoff Bank
Best Mobile Banking Adaptive Site	Tatra banka
Best Information Security and Fraud Management	Sberbank
Best in Social Media Marketing and Services	TBC Bank
Best in Lending	Bank of Georgia
Most Innovative Digital Bank	Sberbank
Best Open Banking APIs	Tinkoff Bank