

WORLD'S BEST DIGITAL BANK AWARDS 2025



PRESS RELEASE

Global Finance Names the World's Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Banks in Africa and then Middle East 2025 by Regional Sub-category and by Country, in Partnership with Infosys



NEW YORK, August 7, 2025, – Global Finance has announced the Round I winners for the 2025 World's Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Bank Awards in Africa and the Middle East, in partnership with Infosys. This is the 26th year Global Finance has named the World's Best Digital Banks. Details on all Round I winners will be published in the September print and digital editions as well as online at GFMag.com. Round I winners include the Best Consumer Digital Banks, the Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Banks, and the Best Islamic Digital Banks.

This press release covers the Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Banks Country in Africa, and by Regional Sub-category and Country in the Middle East. A separate press release listing the Corporate/Institutional Sub-category winners by Country in the Middle East is available on GFMag.com.

Round I winners are eligible for consideration in Round II. Round II honorees, which include the overall Regional and Global winners, and the Global Sub-category winners, will be revealed at Global Finance's 2025 World's Best Digital Banks Awards Ceremony and Forum on October 7 at London's landmark 8 Northumberland Avenue. A full report on the Round II winners will be published in the December print and digital editions, as well as online at GFMag.com.

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 categories, regions, and countries 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. Sub-category winners were selected based on the relative strength and success of their web products and services.

"As digital banking continues to evolve at a rapid pace, financial institutions around the world are embracing AI, cloud technology, and mobile-first strategies to deliver seamless, secure, and highly personalized experiences," said Joseph D. Giarraputo, founder and editorial director of Global Finance. "The winners of Global Finance's 2025 World's Best Digital Bank Awards exemplify the innovation and leadership shaping the future of banking."

The full list of Global Finance's 2025 World's Best Corporate/Institutional Digital Banks in Africa and the Middle East by Regional Subcategory and by Country follows.

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Global Finance's World's Best Digital Bank Awards Ceremony and Forum

On October 7, Global Finance will host the 2025 World's Best Digital Bank Awards Ceremony and Forum at London's 8 Northumberland Avenue. This signature event will celebrate and be attended by the world's leading organizations in Digital Banking. For more information on the event, contact Anastasiia Petrukhina at Anastasiia@gfinance.co.uk.



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BEST CORPORATE/INSTITUTIONAL REGIONAL SUB-CATEGORY WINNERS IN THE MIDDLE EAST	
Best Digital-Only Bank	Mashreq
Best Bank for Embedded Finance	Saudi National Bank (SNB)
Best Digital Payments Strategy	First Abu Dhabi Bank (FAB)
Best Trade Finance Services	Commercial Bank of Dubai
Best Online Treasury & Cash Management Services	Arab Bank
Best Online/User Experience (UX) Portal	Qatar Islamic Bank
Best Integrated Corporate Banking Program	Saudi National Bank (SNB)
Best Information Security and Fraud Management	Saudi National Bank (SNB)
Best Mobile Banking App	Qatar Islamic Bank
Most Innovative Digital Bank	Qatar Islamic Bank
Best Open Banking APIs	First Abu Dhabi Bank (FAB)
Best SME Banking/SME Platform	Saudi National Bank (SNB)
Best in Transformation	Qatar Development Bank



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Algeria	Arab Bank	
Morocco	Arab Bank	

BEST CORPORATE/INSTITUTIONAL DIGITAL BANKS IN THE MIDDLE EAST		
Egypt	Arab Bank	
Jordan	Arab Bank	
Kuwait	Gulf Bank	
Qatar	Qatar Development Bank	
Saudi Arabia	Saudi National Bank (SNB)	
United Arab Emirates	First Abu Dhabi Bank (FAB)	

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