

Press Release



Global Finance Names The Safest Banks In Central And Eastern Europe 2017

NEW YORK, September 6, 2017— *Global Finance* has named the Safest Banks in Central and Eastern Europe in an exclusive survey to be published in the November 2017 issue as part of the publication's 26th annual ranking of the World's Safest Banks.

Czech banks land the top two spots on the list again this year, with Polish banks taking four of the top six positions.

The full report includes the following rankings: World's 50 Safest Banks, World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks, Safest Banks by Country, 50 Safest Banks in Emerging Markets, Safest Islamic Financial Institutions in the GCC, and Safest Banks by Region (Africa, Asia, Australasia, Central & Eastern Europe, Latin America, Middle East, North America and Western Europe).

"Countries in Central and Eastern Europe are under increasing geopolitical pressure as tensions have risen between the world's great powers. Our ranking of the Safest Banks in the region showcases banks that have built solid foundations—offering security and stability in this rapidly changing environment—and provides a consistent tool for comparing institutional strength within the region," said *Global Finance* publisher and editorial director Joseph D. Giarraputo.

Banks were selected through an evaluation of long-term foreign currency ratings—from Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch—and total assets of the 500 largest banks worldwide.

Safest Banks in Central and Eastern Europe 2017

RANK	BANK NAME	COUNTRY
1	Česká Spořitelna*	Czech Republic
2	Komerční banka	Czech Republic
3	ING Bank Śląski	Poland
4	Bank Pekao	Poland
5	Bank Zachodni WBK	Poland
6	mBank	Poland
7	BRD – Groupe Société Générale	Romania
8	Banca Comercială Română	Romania
9	OTP Bank	Hungary
10	Vnesheconombank	Russia

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