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Twelve exciting companies make the shortlist for the European Small and Mid-Cap Awards

EuropeanIssuers, the Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE), and the European Commission are delighted to announce the shortlist for the 12th annual <u>European Small and</u> <u>Mid-Cap Awards</u>.

The twelve shortlisted companies, selected from among the most dynamic small and mid-caps to have gone public in the period 2022-23, have been pinpointed by an independent, expert jury for their outstanding performances across the four Awards categories.

The winner of each category will be revealed during a grand ceremony set to take place on 19th November 2024 as part of the European Commission's <u>SME Assembly</u> in Budapest, Hungary.

In addition, a 'Special Mention' will also be awarded to an individual or company that has had a significant impact on facilitating small and mid-cap issuers' access to capital markets.

Rising Star

Highlighting outstanding newly listed SMEs with a market capitalisation of up to €200 million



mmcité a.s. covers the entire production, innovative design, development and implementation of urban furniture. Company products are indispensable, durable, functional but design amenities such as park benches, fountains, drinking fountains, bicycle racks, rubbish bins, bus stops and much more. Today we find furnishings from the company's workshop in public spaces all over the world. For example, at Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris or even at the top station of the cable car leading to Mont Blanc, Europe's highest mountain. In 2022 alone, the group sold its products to more than 30 countries and employs more than 240 people. **Mmcité** is listed on **Prague Stock Exchange.**



RES has been operating in the circular economy and environmental sustainability industry for 35 years and is a vertically integrated business across the waste management chain, overseeing every phase of waste lifecycle. The company deals with the entire process of waste management, such as: selection and functional treatment, green energy production, organic recycling, recovery and transformation of plastic waste as new raw material , disposal and storage in a proprietary landfill. RES ambition is to become the most innovative company in the waste management industry in Italy and one of the top 5 in Europe. **RES** is listed on **Borsa Italiana part of Euronext.**



Founded in 1969, SERESCO is an international leading technology company dedicated to providing innovative solutions in IT services, payroll management, and digital transformation. With over five decades of experience, we pride ourselves on our commitment to excellence, customer-centric approach, and continuous innovation. At Seresco, our core values drive everything we do: innovation, quality, customer focus, integrity, governance, sustainability. Our diverse portfolio includes IT consulting, software development, cybersecurity, and cloud services, catering to a wide range of industries. With a team of highly skilled professionals, SERESCO is committed to driving digital transformation and empowering businesses to thrive face the digital challenges. Seresco is listed on BME, SIX.

International Star

Showcasing newly listed small and mid-cap companies with impressive international sales, profits, and market share growth



Greening Group is a global and diversified company, focused on the generation, construction of projects and commercialization of renewable energy. It operates in the main European economies (Spain, Italy, France and Germany) and also in Mexico and the United States. Its solid company profile and diversified and strongly internationalized business has allowed it to clearly differentiate itself from other companies in the renewable sector (concentrated in a single market segment and more localized), to consolidate a successful model that has made it a multi-technology renewable player, with a generation portfolio of 174 MW and 76% of revenues generated outside Spain. Greening Group is listed on BME, SIX.

Rusta is a leading player in the Nordic variety hard discount market with more than 200 stores in Sweden, Norway, Finland and Germany. The store network is complemented by Rusta's online sales channel, Rusta Online, in Sweden and Finland. Rusta offers a wide but curated assortment of home and leisure products, with good quality at low prices. Rusta has more than 4,000 employees and is headquartered in Upplands Väsby, Sweden. Rusta's long-term vision is to become the leading and most trusted variety hard discount retailer in Europe. **Rusta** is listed on **Nasdaq Stockholm**.

STIF SA is a French family-owned industrial SME founded in 1984 which designs, manufactures, and markets industrial equipment for niche markets. It specializes in handling equipment for bulk products, such as elevator buckets, lifting straps and compression fittings. The firm's products include metal and plastic elevator buckets, elevator belts, safety components for bucket elevator, bends and compression couplings, explosion protection system, fire and explosion protection for battery energy storage systems (BESS), dust proof inspection doors, pipe systems, and magnetic separators. **STIF SA** is listed on **Euronext Paris.**

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Star of Innovation

Celebrating newly listed SMEs that place innovation at the centre of their business development strategy



REVENGA Smart Solutions

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Gubra, founded in 2008 in Denmark, is specialized in pre-clinical contract research services and peptidebased drug discovery within metabolic and fibrotic diseases. Gubra's activities are focused on the early stages of drug development and are organised in two business areas - CRO Services and Discovery & Partnerships (D&P). The two business areas are highly synergistic and create a unique entity capable of generating a steady cash flow from the CRO business while at the same time enjoying biotechnology upside in the form of potential development milestone payments and potential royalties from the D&P business. Today, Gubra has approx. 250 employees and revenue in 2023 was DKK 205 million. Gubra is listed on Nasdaq Copenhagen.

Revenga Smart Solutions is a company that develops technology (Hw & Sw) for Smart Mobility, to make it safer, sustainable, simple and satisfactory for the end user. It is the technology partner of the main infrastructure managers and mobility players, with an integrated offer for all modes of transport, including railways, metros, streetcars, tunnels, ports, highways, buses and airports. The company specializes in proprietary technology solutions (Hw&Sw), with integrated solutions for highway and tunnel management, ticketing, tolling, passenger experience, telecom, safety, security. **Revenga** is listed on **BME, SIX.**

Yubico, founded in 2007, is a global cybersecurity company whose mission is to make the internet safer for everyone. The company's core product and invention, the YubiKey, is the leading hardware security key and is the gold standard for phishingresistant multi-factor authentication (MFA). Yubico solves the world's number one cybersecurity issuestolen credentials used to gain unauthorized access to user accounts–which causes 9 out of 10 cybersecurity intrusions, often through phishing attacks. YubiKeys, loved by millions of customers in more than 160 countries worldwide, help businesses and consumers stay safe online by, ensuring that only the key's authorized user has access to sensitive accounts and systems. The authentication solution encompasses an extensive portfolio of proprietary technologies. **Yubico** is listed on **Nasdaq Stockholm**.

Star of 2024

Lauding newly listed small and mid-caps displaying outstanding corporate responsibility and exceptional performance in their sector

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Dexelance is one of the most important Italian groups operating in high-quality design. The Group is composed of numerous companies, each with its own precise identity, united by a coherent strategic project with activities that are complementary to each other: Gervasoni creates furniture solutions through its namesake brand and the Very Wood brand; Meridiani specializes in the creation of refined contemporary and versatile furniture; Davide Groppi creates and produces lamps and lighting projects with a significant environmental impact; Saba Italia creates and produces furniture items with an innovative and high-end design; Flexalighting designs and produces lighting systems for interiors and exteriors; Axolight specializes in the design and production of made-in-Italy designer lamps; Gamma Arredamenti is one of Italy's leaders in upholstered furniture made of the highest quality leather; Cubo Design produces top and premium kitchens and furniture systems under the Binova and Miton Cucine brands; Turri is a historic brand of very high-end furniture; Cenacchi International and Modar are two established leaders in the contract sector for the luxury and fashion industries. Dexelance is listed on Borsa Italiana part of Euronext.

DIMAND is one of the leading real estate development companies in Greece. Since its inception in 2005, it has incorporated the philosophy of sustainability into the core of its business, creating a new market in Real Estate which has now become a global model. Its business activity focuses on the implementation of large-scale urban renovations, modern bioclimatic office buildings, complex mixed-use projects, as well as private sports facilities. The company has developed 44% of the 'green' buildings in Greece, which are certified with LEED BD+C. Dimand is included in the leadership team of "The Most Sustainable Companies in Greece", the highest distinction for sustainable development by the Quality Net Foundation and awarded the LEED® Proven Provider [™] distinction by the Green Building Certification Institute. Moreover, it is a silver member of U.S. Green Building Council, a member of GRESB, but also the first company in Greece that received the designation of Credentialed Project Developer and Credentialed Quality Assurance Provider from the Investor Confidence Project (ICP) Europe. **Dimand** is listed on **Athens Stock Exchange (ATHEX).**



Groupe Okwind is specialized in developing solutions for short-circuit green energy production and use. The company offers smart, Al-based energy production management by bringing individuals, farms, industrial sites and local governments selfsupply solutions that enable them to generate and use their own energy using smart, high-performance photovoltaic trackers. **Groupe Okwind** is listed on **Euronext Paris.**

Notes to editors:

Please note that the shortlisted companies for each category are listed in alphabetical order

About the European Small and Mid-Cap Awards 🔰

The objective of the Awards is to promote best practices and highlight the best European Small and Mid-Sized Companies that have gained access to capital markets via an Initial Public Offering (IPO). They showcase the diversity of European markets, and aim to promote stock listings, in particular targeting SMEs and growth companies. These companies are critical to accomplishing the EU's goals of job creation, competitiveness, and growth.

The European Small and Mid-Cap Awards advocate the benefits of equity financing and encourage smaller companies to consider this financing option. Equity market financing plays a key role in the creation of jobs and growth and in the overall competitiveness of a company. <u>https://europeansmallandmidcapawards.eu/</u>

About the European Commission

The Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW) of the European Commission develops and implements a range of policies to improve access to finance for SMEs in the EU. SMEs are critical to European economic recovery and to accomplishing the EU's goals of job creation, competitiveness and growth. For more information, please visit <u>https://ec.europa.eu/growth/access-to-finance_en</u>.

About EuropeanIssuers

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About FESE

The Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE) represents 36 exchanges in equities, bonds, derivatives and commodities through 17 full members and 1 affiliate member from 31 countries. For further information, please visit <u>www.fese.eu</u>.

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