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Awards

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2022 Winners' Report

About ESG Insight Awards 2022

Congratulations to the winners of A-Team Group's inaugural ESG Insight Awards. These awards recognise both established solution vendors and innovative newcomers providing leading ESG solutions, services and consultancy to capital markets participants. The awards were announced and presented to winners on 12 October 2022.

The awards included over 20 categories of ESG solutions ranging from Best ESG risk data provider to Best overall ESG data provider, Best data management solution for ESG, Best taxonomy data solution for ESG, Best ESG scores and ratings provider, Best ESG social data provider, Best ESG sentiment data provider, Best regulatory reporting solution for ESG, and more.

Thank you to all the vendors that entered A-Team Group's ESG Insight Awards 2022, to our ESG Insight community that voted for its favourite solutions, and to our independent, expert advisory board that worked in collaboration with our editorial team to select this year's winners.

Finally, our compliments to all the award winners, who should be deservedly proud of their achievement in a highly competitive contest.

If you would like your company to be considered for future ESG Insight Awards, **click here**, where you can either enter your details to be notified when we open for nominations, or submit your entry if we are already open for nominations.

I'd personally like to thank our advisory board for their time and valuable input.

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Connecting regulators and the industry to drive financial stability and a sustainable future

Our regulatory reporting solutions cover.

REGULATORY TECHNOLOGY

SUPERVISORY TECHNOLOGY

TAX REPORTING

About Regnology

With an exclusive focus on regulatory reporting and more than 7,000 financial institutions, 30 regulators and 20 tax authorities as clients, Regnology is uniquely positioned to bring greater data quality, efficiency and cost savings to all market participants.

With a unified data ingestion model powering our work, our clients can quickly implement and derive value from our solutions and easily keep pace with ongoing regulatory changes.

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Regnology

Winner: Best regulatory reporting solution for ESG

Regnology is a leading technology firm on a mission to bring safety and stability to the financial markets. With an exclusive focus on regulatory reporting and more than 7,000 financial institutions, 30 regulators and 20 tax authorities as clients, we're uniquely positioned to bring greater data quality, efficiency, and cost savings to all market participants. With over 700 employees in 12 countries and a unified data ingestion model powering our work, our clients can quickly implement and derive value from our solutions and easily keep pace with ongoing regulatory changes.

Regnology was formed in 2021 when BearingPoint RegTech, a former business unit of BearingPoint Group, joined forces with Vizor Software, a global leader in regulatory and supervisory technology.

Our solution covers:

- Regulatory reporting solution for banks and asset managers (supervisory, statistical, granular, national, resolution reporting)
- Transaction reporting solution for banks (EMIR, MiFiD, MMSR, SFTR)
- Tax reporting solution for banks and tax authorities (FATCA, CRS and DAC6 and client tax reporting)
- Supervisory technology solution for regulatory authorities (regulators, central banks, and tax authorities)

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Linda Middleditch, Chief Product Officer

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Bloomberg

Winner: Best overall ESG data provider

Bloomberg provides a number of sustainable finance solutions, offering data-driven insights to help investors integrate ESG throughout the full investment process and standardize company reported and third-party ESG data. These solutions include ESG news and research content, carbon estimates, indices, scores, analytics, and research workflows built specifically for investors around ESG.

Subscribers to the Bloomberg Terminal can review Bloomberg's ESG Solutions at {BESG <GO>}.
For more information, please visit **here**.

Bloomberg's Enterprise Data Content ESG Team

About Bloomberg

Bloomberg

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Bloomberg, the global business and financial information and news leader, gives influential decision makers a critical edge by connecting them to a dynamic network of information, people and ideas. The company's strength – delivering data, news and analytics through innovative technology, quickly and accurately – is at the core of the Bloomberg Terminal.
Bloomberg's enterprise solutions build on the company's core strength: leveraging technology to allow customers to access, integrate, distribute and manage data and information across organizations more efficiently and effectively.

Morningstar Sustainalytics

Winner: Best ESG research provider

Morningstar Sustainalytics works with asset managers, pension funds, financial advisors, and wealth managers by recognizing global investors' unique and evolving motivations to meet the needs of their clients and stakeholders. Underpinned by Morningstar Sustainalytics' comprehensive and consistent research methodologies, our solutions offer industry-leading ESG research, ratings, and data for different responsible investment strategies to address risk, impact, and compliance considerations.

The firm's flagship ESG Risk Ratings upholds its sophisticated methodology for rating absolute ESG risk while enabling best-in-class analysis. Company ratings are comparable across peers and subindustries and allow for easy aggregation at the portfolio level. Morningstar Sustainalytics' research analysts leverage smart technologies to enable them to monitor more than 60,000 media sources and up to one million news articles daily. As the breadth and context of ESG continue to expand, investors rely on the company's trusted, robust research methodology to deliver human insights from our industry experts supported by AI efficiency. Investors leverage Morningstar Sustainalytics for ESG portfolio Integration, investment analysis, screening and benchmarking, thematic investing, engagement and voting, and reporting and promotion.

Hans-Ulrich Beck, Global Head of ESG Products

About Morningstar Sustainalytics

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Refinitiv - MarketPsych Data

Winner: Best ESG sentiment data provider

ESG data designed to drive better investment decisions

Refinitiv® MarketPsych ESG Analytics analyze corporate sustainability-related news and social media in near real-time. Powered by MarketPsych Data's AI-based natural language processing engine, the analytics are derived from millions of daily articles in thousands of global news and social media outlets.

They provide numerical ESG insights on companies and countries to drive better investment decisions. The analytics capture key ESG themes in twelve languages for 100,000+ public and private companies (54,000+ public and 50,000+ private companies) and 252 countries and regions. Rather than scoring sustainability from a company's own reports, the Refinitiv MarketPsych ESG Analytics feed provides an external news and social media-based perspective on ESG initiatives and performance. They are delivered as real-time data series that can easily be incorporated into your investment and research processes, quantitative or qualitative.

Dr. Richard Peterson, CEO of MarketPsych

About Refinitiv - MarketPsych Data

Refinitiv, an LSEG (London Stock Exchange Group) business, is one of the world's largest providers of financial markets data and infrastructure. With $6.25 billion in revenue, over 40,000 customers and 400,000 end users across 190 countries, Refinitiv is powering participants across the global financial marketplace. We provide information, insights and technology that enable customers to execute critical investing, trading and risk decisions with confidence, by providing the best-in-class data and expertise.

MarketPsych Data uses AI-based natural language processing technology to detect and quantify references to sustainability and business-related themes and in global news and social media, covering millions of companies and locations.

www.refinitiv.com/en

SIX

Winner: Best ESG index provider

For more than 90 years, SIX has provided the financial data and services the industry needs: high-quality data, delivered at the right time, in the right way. From our core reference data on securities, prices, corporate events, tax and regulatory data, to our flagship indices and bespoke benchmarks, SIX offers added-value services that smoothly integrate with your workflows. We free your time and attention to spend on growing your business.

At SIX, we want to provide our clients with the high quality ESG data they need to better serve their clients through sustainably orientated investment offerings. We provide a wide range of sustainable services, including ESG Regulatory Data, alternatively sourced ESG Performance Data and, of course, ESG Indices.

The index offering from SIX includes various equity, bond, real estate and strategy indices as well as customized indices. Our indices are attractive benchmarks for the market and are used both as underlyings for index-based products, such as ETFs, fund solutions and structured products, and for activities in the portfolio management process. As economic performance and prosperity should not come at the expense of future generations, SIX, with its ESG indices, aims at establishing solid, sustainable and independent benchmarks for the bond and equity markets.

Christian Bahr, Head Index Services, Financial Information

About SIX

SIX operates and develops infrastructure services for the Swiss and Spanish Stock Exchanges, for Post-Trade Services, Banking Services and Financial Information with the aim of raising efficiency, quality and innovative capacity across the entire value chain of the Swiss and Spanish financial centers. The company is owned by its users (120 banks). With a workforce of 3,685 employees and a presence in 21 countries, it generated operating income of CHF 1.5 billion and Group net profit of CHF 73.5 million in 2021.

www.six-group.com

Solidatus

Winner: Best data governance framework solution for ESG

How does your data really flow around your organization? Do you have transparency on its context, and on the people and processes it touches and impacts? Solidatus helps organizations create living, dynamic blueprints of their data. This understanding of data lineage is key before embarking on change, and for effective data governance and management. It provides the knowledge and context you need to make better quality decisions and operate more efficiently.

An innovative data management solution, with Solidatus you can connect and visualize your data relationships, simplifying how you identify, access and understand them. With a sustainable data foundation in place, data-rich enterprises can meet regulatory requirements, drive digital transformation, capture business insights and make better, less risky and more informed data-driven decisions. Solidatus' powerful metadata management technology is seen as a critical development in data management software, one that matches the complex needs of modern business, and it is vital in the reg tech and governance space.

Launched in 2017, Solidatus is the chosen data management tool for both the regulators and the regulated. Its clients and investors include top-tier global financial services brands such as Citi and HSBC, healthcare and retail organizations as well as government institutions.

Philip Dutton, CEO & Founder

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Winner: Best ESG risk data provider

Acin

Founded in 2018, Acin has built the defining data network for operational risk control, for leading financial institutions. Acin's award-winning Risk Control Diagnostics platform digitizes and assures operational risk controls in a connected data network across the financial services industry. Backed by Fitch, and trusted by JP Morgan, Credit Suisse, Standard Chartered and other pioneers, Acin assures operational risk controls are complete, efficient and calibrated to the market.

www.acin.com/solutions/climate-risk

Damian Hoskins, Climate Risk Lead

Winner: Best data management solution for ESG

Cognizant / Alveo

Cognizant and Alveo's ESG Data Source solution combines Alveo's software and Cognizant's data operations and technology services to provide a comprehensive ESG data management solution. It offers firms the ability to rapidly integrate and operationalise ESG data. ESG Data Source addresses firms' requirements to improve data quality, comparability, usability and workflow integration challenges. It also anchors ESG data across the business in product development, investment management decision making, client reporting and sourcing processes.

www.cognizant.com/us/en/about-cognizant/esg

Cognizant & Alveo ESG Data Source Team

Winner: Best governance data provider for ESG

DataGardener Solutions

DataGardener is the one version of the 'truth' that combines data from various government departments, with private sources, helping to spot and avoid 'Governance Washing.' We analyse information direct from sources, which includes information on boardroom diversity, compliance, financial strength and information on profitability, liquidity and solvency. The information includes risk analysis, tangible and intangible assets and compliance issues. DataGardener is a comprehensive solution covering market research, business intelligence, contacts and monitoring. We are an ISO9001 and ISO27001 company providing information on ESG benchmarking and scoring which helps to save companies from unwanted surprises.

www.datagardener.com | www.esgsystem.com

Tarun Kumar - CEO and Founder
Robert Holland - Co-Founder and Director

Winner: Best taxonomy data solution for ESG

DYDON AI

DYDON AI is a Swiss startup offering an AI Suite for Sustainable Finance that provides fast, easy, traceable, and transparent assessment of all the necessary criteria to rank and analyze the sustainability level concerning ESG, EU Taxonomy and Supply Chain Risk.

The EU Taxonomy software TAXO TOOL, developed by DYDON AI in collaboration with Bundesverband Öffentlicher Banken Deutschlands (VÖB), and VÖB-Service, is a key solution for financial institutes and big corporates.

dydon.ai

Dr. Hans-Peter Güllich, CEO and Founder

DYDON AI

Winner: Best ESG data and technology consultancy

Element22

Element22 is the leading consulting and solutions provider, committed to modernising data and analytics within financial services. With regional teams of experienced market practitioners in North America and Europe, we focus on delivering practical, impactful solutions to client challenges, from design and strategy through to implementing governance, control and quality improvements. ESG data sourcing and reporting challenges are increasing across the industry and we have developed a number of frameworks to assist our clients.

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Mark Davies, Partner & Tim Fox, Senior Associate

element22

Winner: Best ESG scores & ratings provider

FactSet

FactSet delivers superior content, analytics, and flexible technology to help 180,000+ users see and seize opportunities sooner. We give investment professionals the edge to outperform with informed insights, workflow solutions across the portfolio lifecycle, and industry-leading support from dedicated specialists. We're proud to have been recognized with multiple awards for our analytical and data-driven solutions, with the distinction of having been recently added to the S&P 500.

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FACTSET

Winner: Best ESG social data provider

Moody's

Moody's is a global integrated risk assessment firm that empowers organizations to make better decisions. Its data, analytical solutions and insights help decision-makers identify opportunities and manage the risks of doing business with others. We believe that greater transparency, more informed decisions, and fair access to information open the door to shared progress.

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Emilie Beral, Senior Vice President, ESG Methodology

Winner: Best ESG KYC surveillance provider

smartKYC

smartKYC's AI software is used by banks to automate customer due diligence whether for remediation, onboarding, refresh or continuous monitoring; our technology drives faster, better, and more cost-effective KYC at every stage of the relationship - liberating human effort to focus on decision-making rather than laborious screening and research.
smartKYC presents facts about risks like adverse media, but also provides insights into information like source of wealth, network risk and ESG misdemeanours.

www.smartkyc.com

Hugo Chamberlain, Chief Operating Officer

Winner: Best overall ESG technology provider

Snowflake

Snowflake enables every organization to mobilize their data with Snowflake's Data Cloud. Customers use the Data Cloud to unite siloed data, discover and securely share data, and execute diverse analytic workloads. Wherever data or users live, Snowflake delivers a single data experience that spans multiple clouds and geographies. Thousands of customers across many industries, including 510 of the 2022 Forbes Global 2000 (G2K) as of July 31, 2022, use Snowflake Data Cloud to power their businesses.

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Alison Tierney, SVP EMEA
Rinesh Patel, Global Head of Financial Services

Winner: Best environment data provider for ESG
Winner: Best analytics provider for ESG

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