

**Press release**

**Crédit Agricole CIB receives the  
“Airport Finance House of the Year” and  
“Rail Finance House of the Year”  
awards by Global Transportation Finance**

Paris December 10th 2014: During the awards ceremony that took place in London on December 8th 2014, Crédit Agricole CIB, the Corporate and Investment bank of the Crédit Agricole group, received two awards from Global Transportation Finance:

- **“Airport Finance House of the Year”**,
- **“Rail Finance House of the Year”**.

*“The Rail Finance House of the Year award and the other awards given to Aviation, Rail and Shipping, reward the close cooperation between Aviation & Rail, Shipping, Tax Lease, Capital markets, interest rate and foreign exchange derivatives, Distribution, Rating advisory and Investment banking teams”,* explains José Abramovici, Global Head of the Asset Finance Group at Crédit Agricole CIB.

*“Crédit Agricole CIB’s top ranking, for the second time as Airport Finance House of the Year, rewards a strategy that relies on our airport sector expertise (and more widely on our infrastructure franchise) and reflects our ability to offer, with all the bank’s business lines, combined solutions with high value added. This award also demonstrates the close cooperation between all the teams involved”,* adds Jamie Mabilat, Global Head of Infrastructure sector at Crédit Agricole CIB.

During the same evening transactions in which Crédit Agricole CIB played a major role were also singled out:

- **“Aircraft Leasing Deal of the Year Europe”** for British Airways. Crédit Agricole CIB successfully arranged a syndicated commercial facility combined with a Japanese operational lease to finance the acquisition of four A380s.

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- **“Islamic Finance Deal of the Year”** for flydubai. Crédit Agricole CIB acted as Bookrunner for a USD 500 million 5-year “Sukuk”.
- **“Rail Finance Deal of the Year Europe”** for Transdev. Crédit Agricole CIB, acting as Arranger and Facility Agent, set up a Sale & Lease Back of approximately EUR 200 million for 35 passenger trains bought by Alpha Trains.
- **“Aircraft Lessor Debt Deal of the Year Europe”** for AWAS. Crédit Agricole CIB acted as Co-Arranger for the company’s first private placement representing USD 350 million over 7 years.
- **“Aircraft Lessor Debt Deal of the Year Asia”** for ICBC Financial Leasing. Crédit Agricole CIB was Joint Bookrunner and provider of the liquidity line for a fixed rate private placement refinancing a fleet of 18 aircraft.
- **“Shipping Finance Deal of the Year Europe”** for MSC. Crédit Agricole CIB acted as the sole Bookrunner and Structuring Agent for a buyer credit 100% guaranteed by COFACE to finance two cruise ships.
- **“Airport Finance Deal of the Year Asia”** for Sydney Airport’s first euro denominated bond issue. Crédit Agricole CIB was Joint Lead Manager for this 10-year USD 700 million guaranteed senior bond issue.
- **“Airport Finance Deal of the Year Middle East”** for the Queen Alia International Airport of Amman. Crédit Agricole CIB was Mandated Lead Arranger for the financing of an additional tranche for the extension of the airport’s terminal.
- **“Airport Finance Deal of the Year Europe”** for the refinancing of the Budapest Airport for a total amount of EUR 1,367 million, for which Crédit Agricole CIB acted as Mandated Lead Arranger.

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The Bank offers its clients a comprehensive range of products and services structured around five major divisions:

- Client Coverage & International Network
- Global Investment Banking
- Structured Finance
- Global Markets
- Debt Optimization & Distribution

The Bank provides support to clients in large international markets through its network with a presence in major countries in Europe, America, Asia Pacific and the Middle East.

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