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Financial Times and Mergermarket M&A Awards

UBS wins title of Financial Advisor of the Year

London 14th December 2007--- The Financial Times and Mergermarket are pleased to announce the winners of their inaugural European M&A Awards.

UBS, after advising on some of Europe's most high profile transactions this year, secured the prestigious title of Financial Advisor of the Year. The Swiss firm has the ABN AMRO/RBS transaction and Enel & Acciona/Endesa, M&A Deal of the Year, among others, under its belt so far this year.

Enel and Acciona's achievement in bagging deal of the year will come as a surprise to some, given the size of the transaction in comparison to others in the same category. However the deal won the judges attention with the bidder's tactical skill in outmanoeuvring a rival bid by Eon of Germany.

Law Firm of the Year went to leading magic circle firm Clifford Chance, who were also named Private Equity Legal Advisor of the Year, while PR house FD picked up Public Relations Firm of the Year.

In the Private Equity sector 3i, the UK-listed venture capital group, was named Private Equity Firm of the Year after an overwhelmingly active year. Mergermarket data accounted for 26 buy-outs and 42 exits for the house in the year to date. Private Equity Deal of the Year was awarded to the largest European buyout so far in 2007, KKR's £11bn purchase of Alliance Boots. JPMorgan, who advised KKR on the deal, scooped Private Equity Financial Advisor of the Year.

Full List of Results:

Regional Awards		
1	Financial Advisor of the Year - Benelux	ABN AMRO
2	Law Firm of the Year - Benelux	Allen & Overy
3	Financial Advisor of the Year - Central & Eastern Europe	Credit Suisse
4	Law Firm of the Year - Central & Eastern Europe	Weil Gotshal & Manges
5	Financial Advisor of the Year - France	BNP Paribas
6	Law Firm of the Year - France	Bredin Prat
7	Financial Advisor of the Year - Germany	Deutsche Bank
8	Law Firm of the Year - Germany	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
9	Financial Advisor of the Year - Iberia	Citigroup
10	Law Firm of the Year - Iberia	Garrigues
11	Financial Advisor of the Year - Ireland	Credit Suisse
12	Law Firm of the Year - Ireland	Arthur Cox
13	Financial Advisor of the Year - Italy	Mediobanca
14	taly Law Firm of the Year - Italy	Bonelli Erede Pappalardo
15	Financial Advisor of the Year - Nordic	Morgan Stanley
16	Law Firm of the Year - Nordic	Vinge
17	Financial Advisor of the Year - Russia	Renaissance Capital
18	Law Firm of the Year - Russia	Clifford Chance
19	Financial Advisor of the Year - United Kingdom	Rothschild
20	Law Firm of the Year - United Kingdom	Linklaters

Sector Awards		
21	Financial Advisor of the Year - Financial Services	Merrill Lynch
22	Law Firm of the Year - Financial Services	Linklaters
23	Financial Advisor of the Year - Industrials	Deutsche Bank
24	Law Firm of the Year - Industrials	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
25	Financial Advisor of the Year - Energy, Mining & Utilities	JP Morgan
26	Law Firm of the Year - Energy, Mining & Utilities	Clifford Chance
27	Financial Advisor of the Year - Business Services	Citigroup
28	Law Firm of the Year - Business Services	White & Case
29	Financial Advisor of the Year - Consumer & Retail	Citigroup
30	Law Firm of the Year - Consumer & Retail	Allen & Overy
31	Financial Advisor of the Year - Telecommunications, Media & Technology	Morgan Stanley
32	Law Firm of the Year - Telecommunications, Media & Technology	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
33	Financial Advisor of the Year - Life Sciences	Goldman Sachs
34	Law Firm of the Year - Life Sciences	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
Major Awards		
35	Public Relations Firm of the Year	FD
36	Mid Market Financial Advisor of the Year	Rothschild
37	Mid Market Law Firm of the Year	DLA Piper
38	Private Equity Financial Advisor of the Year	JP Morgan Cazenove
39	Private Equity Legal Advisor of the Year	Clifford Chance
40	Private Equity Firm of the Year in Europe	3i
41	Financial Advisor of the Year	UBS
42	Law Firm of the Year	Clifford Chance
43	Private Equity Deal of the Year	Buyout of Alliance Boots by AB Acquisitions
44	M&A Deal of the Year	Acquisition of Endesa by Enel/Acciona

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