CERTIFICATES AWARD AUSTRIA 2017 RAIFFEISEN CENTROBANK AGAIN ELECTED OVERALL WINNER BY THE JURY



On Thursday, May 8, for the eleventh time the most prestigious annual award for Austria's structured products industry, the Certificates Award Austria, took place. The best issuers in eight categories were awarded and the overall winner was announced. As market leader, Raiffeisen Centrobank once again convinced the jury and became the best Austrian issuing house for the eleventh time in a row.

"This award acknowledges our work and motivates my team and myself to continue to convince investors of the opportunities and attractiveness of certificates. Moreover, our focus is on further enhancing product quality"

says Heike Arbter, Managing Director and Head of Structured Products at RCB, who regards the overall victory a quality label for certificates. The award ceremony took place at Bank Austria's Oktogon in the city center of Vienna and was hosted by Zertifikate Forum Austria (ZFA) and its partner ZertifikateJournal. The independent top-class jury with 21 experts voted: With only one exception (2nd place in the category of leveraged products) Raiffeisen Centrobank (RCB) remained ahead of its competitors and won every single category.



The Team Structured Products of RCB defended its title successfully and was again elected overall winner.

AWARDED RCB PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS:

Austria Certificate of the Year 1st Place
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Investment Product

with capital protection: 1st Place

Europa Dividend Stocks Winner 2

Bonus & Express Certificates: 1st Place

Europa Inflation Bonus&Safety

Discount Certificate & Protect Reverse

Convertible Bond: 1st Place

8.25% Austria Protect Protect Reverse Convertible Bond

Index & Participation Certificate: 1st Place
Underlying Brent Crude Oil (limited term)
Leverage Products: 2nd Place
Underlying FACC AG (Factor 3)

QUALITY LABEL FOR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

- RCB won top votes from the expert jury for investment products with capital protection,
 Bonus and Express Certificates.
- RCB also won the award Best Austrian Certificate of the Year with one of its Express Certificates.
- RCB also ranked top in the prestigious category Info & Service/Issuer Quality.



RAIFFEISEN CENTROBANK BEST ISSUER IN AUSTRIA

Their engagement on the certificates markets and their commitment to certificates as investment products are the centerpiece of the sustainable work of the Team Structured Products.

We provide:

- customised services
- clear-cut payout profiles
- transparent market access for private investors
- prompt reaction to market opportunities
- innovation
- broad market coverage
- ... and are the sole Austrian full service

WINNER OF EXPERT JURY AND AUDIENCE VOTE

The expert jury, composed of 21 asset managers, retail bankers, online brokers and financial journalists, rated eleven issuers. EY Austria reviewed and confirmed the independence and objectivity of the voting and assessment procedures.

We are particularly pleased to have won the category "Certificates House of the Year". RCB was elected winner in both the jury voting as well as in the public online audience vote.

Overview of winners and result details:

Overall Winner: Best Issuer

- 1. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 2. Erste Group
- 3. BNP Paribas

Investment Product with Capital Protection

- 1. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 2. Erste Group
- 3. Deutsche Bank

Austria Certificate of the

- 1. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 2. Erste Group
- 3. BNP Paribas

Audience Voting: Certificates Bonus & Express Certificates Index & Participation House of the Year

- 1. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 2. UniCredit onemarkets
- 3. Erste Group

Info & Service

- 1. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 2. UniCredit onemarkets
- 3. Erste Group

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- 3 BNP Paribas

Discount Certificates & Reverse Convertible Bonds

- 1. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 2. Erste Group
- 3 Deutsche Bank

Certificates

- 1. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 2 Vontobel
- 3. BNP Paribas

Leverage Products

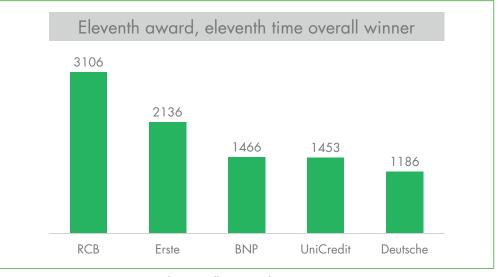
- 1. Commerzbank
- 2. Raiffeisen Centrobank
- 3 BNP Paribas



The Awards



Heike Arbter, winner of the evening



The overall jury result

OUR SUCCESS IS YOUR SUCCESS

RCB's motto is: We are only as strong as our customers. This is why we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your confidence and excellent cooperation. We will continue to devote highest attention to our product and service range to best meet your investment requirements.

Further information may be obtained from the consultant at your local bank, on the Internet at www.rcb.at or through the product hotline of Raiffeisen Centrobank: +43 (0)1 51520 - 484.

