

Attention: Business editors and reporters

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World's top 100 sustainable companies announced in Davos, Switzerland

(Davos, Switzerland – January 28, 2005) A new global business ranking – called the Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World – was unveiled here today at the World Economic Forum, identifying the top 100 companies that are most open to leading the way to a more sustainable world.

Among the winners is U.K.-based BP PLC, the world's second largest oil and gas company, which owns a cutting edge solar power business and is introducing lower-emissions fuels such as natural gas at its retail outlets. BP has also invested in renewable energy technology (fuel cells, wind energy, and photovoltaic) and entered cross-industry R&D sustainability partnerships.

Another winner is Japan's Toyota Motor, one of the world's leading automakers, recognized for developing and successfully commercializing the marquee environmental technology of the decade for the auto industry: the hybrid-drive vehicle. Toyota's hybrid Prius model was the fastest selling car in the United States in 2004.

U.S.-based Alcoa also made the list. As the world's leading primary aluminum producer, Alcoa is on track to reaping \$100-million worth of environmental and energy cost-savings. The company is also poised to benefit from the auto industry's adoption of aluminum, with its excellent strength-to-weight ratio that helps create fuel efficient vehicles that produce lower tailpipe emissions.

The 'Top 100' companies emerged from a pool of over 2,000 firms, representing such large global indices as the S&P 500, MSCI World, FTSE 350 and Eurostoxx. Companies were selected on their ability to manage strategic opportunities in new environmental and social markets.

"All companies may be created equal but not all are the same. The Global 100 sets out in one crisp list the best all-round global companies, trailblazers that are potential allies in helping to create a better world," said Toby Heaps, Editor of Corporate Knights, a Toronto-based media company that produces the world's only mainstream magazine focusing on corporate social responsibility in which the Global 100 list will appear annually.

Companies were rated on such criteria as strategic governance, environmental initiatives, and human capital/labour relations practices. Research and analysis was conducted by Innovest, a leading environmental investment advisory firm with offices in New York, London and Toronto.

"How companies perform on environmental, social, and strategic governance issues is having a rapidly-growing impact on their competitiveness, profitability, and share price performance," said Dr. Matthew Kiernan, founder and CEO of Innovest Strategic Value Advisors. "We at Innovest congratulate the Top 100 sustainability companies; we consider each of them to be particularly well-positioned to capture opportunities in this new world we are all entering."

Global 100 Rankings by Country:

Great Britain	32
US	20
Germany	9
Sweden	7
Canada	6
Japan	5
Netherlands	5

France	4
Finland	3
Denmark	2
Spain	2
Switzerland	2
Australia	1
Belgium	1
Norway	1

British Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

British Airways plc	Airlines
HBOS PLC	Banks - UK & Ireland
Diageo plc	Beverages & Tobacco
SABMiller plc	Beverages & Tobacco
Pilkington plc	Building Products
Hays plc	Commercial Services & Supplies
David S. Smith Holdings plc	Containers & Packaging
3i Group plc	Diversified Financials - UK
Scottish And Southern Energy plc	Electric Utilities - Intl
Expro International Group	Energy Equipment & Services
J Sainsbury plc	Food & Drug Retailing
Cadbury Schweppes plc	Food Products
Unilever	Food Products
Centrica plc	Gas Utilities
Smith & Nephew	Health Care Equipment & Supplies
Taylor Woodrow plc	Homebuilding
Whitbread plc	Hotels Restaurants & Leisure
Aviva plc	Insurance - UK & Ireland
BP plc	Integrated Oil & Gas
GUS PLC	Multiline Retail
Marks & Spencer plc	Multiline Retail
Cairn Energy PLC	Oil & Gas Exploration & Production
GlaxoSmithKline plc	Pharmaceuticals
Severn Trent plc	Public Services
Pearson plc	Publishing
British Land Co plc	Real Estate
Land Securities plc	Real Estate
Slough Estates plc	Real Estate
Kingfisher plc	Specialty Retail
BAA Plc	Surface Transport
Peninsular And Oriental Steam Navigation Company	Surface Transport
BT Group plc	Telecommunications

U.S. Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

United Technologies Corp.	Aerospace & Defense
UPS	Air Freight & Couriers
Bank of America	Banks - N. America
PepsiCo	Beverages & Tobacco
Pitney Bowes	Commercial Services & Supplies

HP	Computers & Peripherals
FPL Group Inc	Electric Power Companies - N. America
Pinnacle West Capital Corporation	Electric Power Companies - N. America
Agilent Technologies Inc.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments
Xerox Corporation	Electronic Equipment & Instruments
Schlumberger Limited	Energy Equipment & Services
Baxter International Inc.	Health Care Equipment & Supplies
Marriott International Inc.	Hotels Restaurants & Leisure
Eastman Kodak Co.	Leisure Equipment & Products
Alcoa Inc.	Metals & Mining
Weyerhaeuser Company	Paper & Forest Products
Bristol-Myers Squibb Company	Pharmaceuticals
Intel Corporation	Semiconductor Equipment & Products
Ecolab Inc	Specialty Chemicals
AT & T	Telecommunications

German Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

Volkswagen Group	Automobiles
Hypovereinsbank	Banks - Europe
Fresenius Medical Care Ag	Health Care Providers & Services
Henkel	Household & Personal Products
Siemens AG	Industrial Conglomerates
Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG	Industrial Machinery
SAP AG	Software
Deutsche Telekom	Telecommunications
Adidas-Salomon AG	Textiles & Apparel

Swedish Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

FoereningsSparbanken	Banks - Europe
Ericsson	Communications Equipment
Skanska	Construction & Engineering
Volvo	Construction & Farm Machinery
Electrolux	Household Durables
Svenska Cellulosa Aktiebolaget	Paper & Forest Products
Hennes & Mauritz (H&M)	Specialty Retail

Canadian Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

Royal Bank Of Canada	Banks - N. America
TransAlta Utilities	Electric Utilities - Intl
Enbridge Inc.	Gas Utilities
Manulife Financial Corporation	Insurance - N. America
Sun Life Financial	Insurance - N. America
Alcan Inc.	Metals & Mining

Japanese Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

Denso Corporation	Auto Components
Toyota Motor Corporation	Automobiles
Kuraray Co. Ltd.	Commodity Chemicals
Ricoh Company Ltd.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments
NTT DoCoMo	Telecommunications

Swiss Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

ABB Ltd.	Electrical Equipment
Swiss Re	Insurance - Europe

Australian Companies on the Global 100 Sustainability list:

Alumina Limited	Metals & Mining
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For a complete listing of companies by country, please visit: www.global100.org

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