

Press release

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Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking delivers award-winning Energy and Infrastructure Projects Worldwide

Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking showed ongoing commitment to the development of social and environmental projects worldwide through a series of award-winning project financing deals during 2009.

From Slovakian road networks, helping to improve trade and transport, to a hydro-electric power plant in Chile, Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking delivered close to US\$4.3 billion* of funding to deals around the world in 2009, many of which were recognised by leading industry publications such as Project Finance Magazine and Project Finance International as Deals of the Year.

The diverse array of transactions also demonstrated the strength and capability of the bank in providing and adapting innovative financing solutions during a year in which liquidity was limited.

Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking-led financings which will have a long-term social impact on individuals and economies around the world included, amongst others, the US\$1.15bn Zayed University project in Abu Dhabi and support for the CA\$416m Niagara hospital project in Canada.

Energy finance transactions that closed during 2009 included the €130m SunRay Montalto di Castro project, the largest solar project finance deal in Italy to date. Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking also supported wind farm financings such as the US\$261m Fowler Ridge wind farm in Indiana, one of several major wind farm financings in the US led by the bank in 2009.

The US\$212m financing of the Chacayes hydro electric power plant in Chile was an example of the bank's unique cross-sector and geographical approach to project financing, delivering a conservative funding structure for an efficient and environmentally-friendly "run-of-river" power project.

Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking reconfirmed its leading position within the project financing market, demonstrated by being named Global Adviser of the Year at the *PFI Awards* and aims to further develop and expand its financing offering in 2010.

Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking played a prominent role in 29 deals that were awarded Deals of the Year in 2009 by Project Finance Magazine and Project Finance International.

For more information on the Financing teams at Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking, please visit: <http://www.sgcib.com/solutions/global-finance>.

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