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Natixis' Credit Research team amongst Europe's top five

Euromoney's annual Fixed Income Research Survey for 2012, which polled 2,000 global fund managers and investors, ranked the Natixis Credit Research teams amongst the best for the quality and relevance of their analyses.

Natixis is positioned No. 5 European bank for credit research for 2012 and ranks among the top 10 across all the sectors covered by the bank:

No. 1 for Covered Bonds and Pfandbriefe

No. 2 for Utilities

No. 3 for Supranationals and Agencies

No. 4 for Insurance, Automotive, and Telecoms & Media

No. 5 for ABS, Consumer & Retail, and Industrials

No. 7 for Banks and Credit Strategy

No. 9 for High Yield

Harnessing its preferred-partner status in the fixed-income markets, the Natixis Credit Research team furnishes comprehensive and independent analyses covering over 150 issuers in the eurozone bond market, as well as in the covered-bond and ABS markets. Analysts and strategists pinpoint the best investment opportunities and assist Natixis clients in enhancing their understanding of the credit market by delivering an all-inclusive range of publications and recommendations on ideal credit portfolio weighting viewed against the various markets and sectors.

The Covered Bonds and Pfandbriefe award also underscores Natixis' expertise and commitment in the covered-bond market for more than 12 years. Our standing as world leader in this field was cemented in 2011 when industry magazine The Cover awarded Natixis the "Best Bank for Covered Bonds 2011" prize.

During 2011, the Natixis Credit Research team published 69 in-depth reports on specific and theme-based market topics and furnished 80 trade ideas to clients.

Natixis Credit Research publications can be accessed at the following address: www.cib.natixis.com

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