

PRESS RELEASE

The EQUITA team once again ranks among the top performers in the 2026 Extel survey



- #1 Italy Trading & Execution
- #2 Italy Research
- #2 Italy Small & Midcap Stocks
- #2 Italy Sales
- #3 Italy Corporate Access

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EQUITA, the leading independent investment bank in Italy, **announces the results of the 2026 Extel survey, once again securing top positions across the Italian rankings and reaffirming its standing profile as the go-to-partner for both domestic and international institutional investors.**

In this year's edition, EQUITA ranked **#1 in Italy Trading & Execution**, reflecting the strength of its brokerage platform and the continued recognition by investors of the Group's execution capabilities.

The firm also achieved leading positions in the survey's Italy-focused categories, consolidating its role of

leading independent broker in **"Italy Research", "Italy Small & Midcap Stocks", "Italy Sales" and "Italy Corporate Access"**.

These results underscore the **strength of the EQUITA business model** and the **ability of its team to provide to clients an integrated platform combining independent research, execution services across all major asset classes and global reach, as well as access to a broad network connecting institutional investors with listed companies.**

The survey's results further reinforce EQUITA's long-standing track record: since 2013, the firm has consistently ranked among the Top 3 Italian brokers across all Extel's categories, reflecting the quality of its research and the breadth of services provided to the institutional investor community.

Domenico Ghilotti, Head of Research at EQUITA, commented: *"Ranking once again among Italy's leading brokers in both Research and Small & Midcap Stocks is a particularly meaningful achievement for the team. It reflects our commitment to delivering independent insights, deep sector expertise and one of the broadest research coverage in Italy".*

Cristiano Rho, Head of Global Markets at EQUITA, commented: *"The Extel rankings are among the most respected benchmarks within the global institutional investment community. EQUITA's success reflects the contribution of all teams across our Global Markets platform and validates the strategy we have pursued over the years, focused on broadening our offering, enhancing service quality, driving innovation and maintaining close relationships with our clients."*

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