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EQUITA announces the finalists of the eleventh edition of the Award for the best strategies on capital markets

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EQUITA, the leading independent investment bank in Italy, announces the finalists of the "Award for the best strategies on capital markets", the award that recognises the companies that excelled in equity and debt fundraising over the past year.

A panel of highly regarded judges belonging to professionals of the financial community, entrepreneurs and managers¹ – in collaboration with the EQUITA investment banking team – **has shortlisted the following best fundraising strategies:**

- **B.F., Italian Design Brands, Lottomatica, Reway Group** in the "Fundraising on Equity Capital Markets" category
- **Alperia, Eni, MAIRE** in the "Fundraising on Debt Capital Markets - ESG" category
- **2i Rete Gas, Engineering, Terna** in the "Fundraising on Debt Capital Markets - Traditional" category

The candidates to the Award – officially recognized by Bocconi University and Borsa Italiana – **have been shortlisted among more than 110 deals** completed in 2023 in the domestic market.

Winners will be announced next February 21st, 2024, during the presentation of the Capital Markets Monitor, the annual report drafted by the EQUITA investment banking team that analyses trends in equity and debt capital markets in Italy, as well as ESG issues.

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¹ Finalists of the eleventh edition were shortlisted by a pool of judges chaired by Francesco Perilli (Shareholder, EQUITA) and composed by Paolo Basilico (CEO, Samhita Investments), Stefano Caselli (Dean of the SDA Bocconi School of Management, Università Bocconi), Marco Clerici (Co-Head Investment Banking, EQUITA), Paolo Colonna (Chairman, Creazione di Valore), Claudio Costamagna (Chairman, CC & Soci), Rodolfo De Benedetti (Chairman, CIR), Stefano Gatti (Antin IP Associate Professor of Infrastructure Finance, Università Bocconi), Paolo Marchesini (Chief Financial and Operating Officer, Campari Group), Roberta Neri (Partner, Byom; Operating Partner, Asterion Industrial Partner), Umberto Nicodano (Partner, Studio Legale Bonelli Erede), Claudia Parzani (Chairman, Borsa Italiana), Silvia Rovere (Chairman, Poste Italiane), Fabrizio Testa (CEO, Borsa Italiana), Fabrizio Viola (Partner and Chairman, Cap Advisory) and Andrea Vismara (CEO, EQUITA).

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