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KASE Awards Members and Listing Companies Best in Y2009

On March 30, 2010 Kazakhstan Stock Exchange (KASE) awarded exchange members and listing companies showing best performance in Y2009 and being business role models on the securities market in terms of transparency and operational activities.

Annual encouragement is regulated with KASE internal documents "Rules on annual encouragement of best performing members" and "Rules on annual encouragement of listing companies", approved by the KASE Board February 4, 2003 and June 9, 2005 accordingly.

The best members of Y2009 received "golden" and "silver" diplomas in the following nominations:

- **"Currency market leader"** – Kazkommertsbank ("golden" diploma), Subsidiary Bank RBS (Kazakhstan) ("silver" diploma);
- **"Government securities market"** – Bank CenterCredit ("golden" diploma), Eurasian Capital ("silver" diploma);
- **"Repo market leader"** – Bank CenterCredit ("golden" diploma), Eurasian Bank ("silver" diploma).

It was decided not to award diplomas in nominations **"Share market leader"** and **"Corporate bond market leader"**. All members actively dealing in corporate securities in 2009 defaulted on deals in the instruments trading in the specified sectors or other exchange sectors. Therefore, according to the mentioned rules the KASE Board was not able to hand awards in these nominations.

KASE abstained from awarding members in nomination **"Leading financial advisor"** as only few companies got listed in 2009 and financial advisors failed to show quality work for newly listed companies. Moreover, financial advisors used the documents prepared earlier or prepared by other financial advisors when working on new listings in Y2009.

Diplomas **"For Striving to Transparency"** were handed to the best performers of Y2009:

- **"Financial companies"** – ATFBank, Bank CenterCredit";
- **"Producing, mining or energy companies"** – Exploration and Production KazMunaiGas, KAZAKHMYS PLC;
- **"Companies operating in other sectors"** – Bayan Sulu, Kazakhtelecom.