


European Global Award Winners



Europe has a thriving manufacturing sector, with a large part of the world's industrial production taking place in the region. Europe also has a well developed financial sector and its banks are amongst the largest and most profitable in the world.

There has been a marked improvement in the economic situation and financial conditions in Europe in recent months. This can largely be attributed to the unprecedented fiscal and monetary policy actions that have been taken in the region.


Several financial indicators have returned to pre-crisis levels, and confidence is increasing. The outlook for global growth and trade has also improved, especially in emerging-market economies.

Recent figures show that the German economy, the largest in Europe, grew by 2.2% in the three months to the end of June. This is the country's fastest quarterly growth in over 20 years, and has been attributed to strong exports helped by a weaker Euro, as well as household and government spending.

Separate figures have shown that the French economy grew by 0.6% in the quarter, compared to 0.2% in the first three months of the year, and the Spanish economy grew by 0.2%, compared to 0.1% in the first quarter. The UK also showed faster than expected growth of 1.1%. These figures all suggest that the economic recovery in Europe is gaining pace.

Analysts have forecast a 15-20% rise in M&A in 2010 for Europe and the first half of the year has seen a significant pick up in M&A activity, with deal making estimated to have reached around \$230 billion.

A significant amount of these deals have been executed by corporates making acquisitions, including BASF's acquisition of Cognis for an estimated enterprise value of €3.1 billion. Private equity buyers are currently lagging behind corporate buyers in the size of M&A deals in Europe, as the corporate players have the ability to offer both capital and synergies.



The European Union comprises 27 nations with a total population of around 500 million, and accounts for around 30% of the value of global GDP.

The information and communications technologies sector is currently seeing high levels of activity, as well as energy and utilities, financial services and clean-techs.

The UK in particular has seen a marked increase in M&A taking place in the IT sector. 40 acquisitions took place in the UK during the second quarter of 2010, representing an increase of a third on the same period last year. These figures highlight the UK as having the most acquisitive technology sector in Europe, and second only to the US globally. European buyout activity is recovering, with 125 such deals in Q2 2010. This represents a 5% increase by volume on Q1, and the fifth full quarter of growth.

The average deal size in Q2 was \$69m. While this is down from Q1, it represents a more than 50% increase on the 2009 average.



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