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Judges' Report

Arca Fondi SGR: Best Emerging Markets Debt Manager Europe 2017

Italy's leading independent asset manager, Arca Fondi SGR bundles the strength, experience, and executorial prowess of a number of regional and local banks. With around €30bn in assets under management, mostly in mutual funds, Arca Fondi SGR maintains one of the largest distribution networks in the country. The firm offers its products via more than 120 regulated financial services providers that jointly operate well over 8,000 branch offices.

Arca Fondi SGR customers enjoy direct access to a team of seasoned financial advisors for investment solutions tailored to suit individual needs and designed to meet different risk profiles. The firm has gained wide recognition for its style-neutral investment portfolios which closely track benchmarks and employ a proprietary risk parity strategy – honed to perfection over many years.

Set up in 1983, Arca Fond SGR i caters to both individual and institutional investors. The firm is also regularly engaged by commercial banks aiming to tap into Arca Fondi SGR's reservoirs of expertise. Arca Fondi SGR also pioneered a multi-strategy multi-manager approach that includes innovative strategies to buck overall market trends and thus improve the predictability of results.

The CFI.co judging panel notes that Arca Fondi SGR has displayed a knack for sourcing opportunity, particularly in emerging markets. The judges have tracked the firm's performance for a number of years and are impressed by the results. The judging panel is pleased to offer Arca Fondi SGR the 2017 Best Emerging Markets Debt Manager Europe Award.

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