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Garanti Bank is listed in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index for the third time

Garanti Bank qualified for the Dow Jones SustainabilityTM Emerging Markets Index for the third consecutive year. Being listed in the DJSI in 2015 for the first time, Garanti proved once again that it successfully integrated sustainability into all of its activities and banking operations despite the ever-increasing assessment criteria.

Being one of the respectable platforms that assesses corporations' sustainability performances globally, Dow Jones Sustainaibility Index has a role of being an important indicator that international investors take into consideration. Companies are graded based on topics such as ethics, governance, financing activities, environmental and social performance throughout the value chain, risk management, climate change mitigation, transparency, supply chain, human and employee rights.

Commenting on the topic Garanti Bank's CEO Fuat Erbil said: "With our sustainability approach being an inseparable part of Garanti Bank's operations, once again we are proud of accomplishing one of the most important achievements in this field. As the only company from Turkey to be listed in the DJSI for the third consecutive year, we proved that Garanti has successfully integrated environmetal, social and governance practices into its world class activities. Despite the increasingly challenging criteria and assessment process, we are proud to repeat our success in 2015 and 2016 in the DJSI where we compete with the best companies in the emerging markets. The consistency of our success is also an indicator of how well we manage our processess and take firm staps towards sustainability together with our stakeholders. We believe qualifying for this index is highly valued by them as well. Also being a constituent of BIST Sustainability Index since 2014, we will carry on our sustainability initiatives in the international arena."

About Dow Jones Sustainability Indices:

The Dow Jones Sustainability World Index was launched in 1999 as the first global sustainability benchmark. The DJSI family is offered cooperatively by RobecoSAM Indices and S&P Dow Jones Indices. The family tracks the stock performance of the world's leading companies in terms of economic, environmental and social criteria. The indices serve as benchmarks for investors who integrate sustainability considerations into their portfolios, and provide an effective engagement platform for companies who want to adopt sustainable best practices. The DJSI is based on an analysis of corporate economic, environmental and social performance, assessing issues such as corporate governance, risk management, branding, climate change mitigation, supply chain standards and labor practices.