

Garanti Bank ranked as the only Turkish company in the 2015 OTCQX® Best 50

Garanti Bank has been named to **the 2015 OTCQX® Best 50**, a ranking of 50 top performing companies traded on the OTCQX marketplace last year.

OTC Markets Group has announced the 2015 OTCQX® Best 50, the first ever annual ranking of top performing U.S. and international companies traded on the OTCQX marketplace. The ranking is based on an equal weighting of one-year share price performance and average daily dollar volume growth in the 2014 calendar year.

Garanti was the first Turkish company to issue shares in international markets in 1993. Garanti's depository receipts trade on the London Stock Exchange on the International Order Book and on OTCQX International Premier, the most prestigious tier of the U.S. off-exchange market. The only Turkish company named to the 2015 OTCQX® Best 50, Garanti Bank is ranked among other leading global companies such as Zurich Insurance Group, Imperial Tobacco Group, Heineken, Wolseley, Marks & Spencer Group, Norsk Hydro, JBS, Commercial International Bank and Home Retail Group. Within OTCQX Best 50, Garanti ranks fourth by average daily volume of \$1.74 million with 2014 total return of 25%.

Garanti Bank's CEO Ergun Özen said "Our Investor Relations strategy played a key role in qualifying for OTCQX marketplace, which accepts companies that meet high financial standards, are current in their disclosure and are committed to maintaining high quality financial and operating standards. OTCQX companies are distinguished by the excellence of their operations and diligence with which they convey their qualifications. We are very proud to be ranked among the top 50 OTCQX companies as the only Turkish company with an outstanding performance in 2014 on the OTCQX marketplace."

Jason Paltrowitz, Executive Vice President - Corporate Services for OTC Markets Group said "The OTCQX Best Marketplace offers the most efficient trading for established, investor-friendly U.S. and international companies that are looking to grow their businesses and increase their exposure to U.S. investors. We are proud to recognize the most successful OTCQX companies in our inaugural OTCQX Best 50, which are helping enhance market transparency and deliver long-term value for their shareholders."

About OTCQX

The OTCQX Best Marketplace, operated by OTC Markets Group Inc. (OTCQX: OTCM), offers the best informed and most efficient trading for established, global and growth companies. The total market capitalization of OTCQX companies is \$1.4 trillion. The annual dollar volume of OTCQX securities is \$36 billion.

About the OTCQX Best 50

The OTCQX Best 50 is a ranking of 50 top performing companies on the OTCQX marketplace based on an equal weighting of one-year share price performance and average daily dollar volume growth. All companies in the 2015 OTCQX Best 50 were traded on OTCQX on December 31, 2014. 2015 OTCQX Best 50 companies' shares traded an aggregate \$4.6 billion during 2014. More than three-quarters of the companies are listed on a major foreign stock exchange such as the Toronto Stock Exchange, London Stock Exchange or BM&F Bovespa.