

NS PARTNERS WINS BEST PORTFOLIO MANAGER IN THE 'EQUITY-GLOBAL BLEND' CATEGORY AT THE CITYWIRE SWITZERLAND PORTFOLIO MANAGER AND GROUP AWARDS 2023



BEST FUND MANAGER 2023

EQUITY - GLOBAL BLEND
PIERRE MOUTON
NS Partners

Geneva, 23 March 2023 - **Geneva-based asset management group NS PARTNERS won the best portfolio manager prize in the "Equity - Global Blend" category of the Citywire Switzerland Portfolio Manager and Group Awards 2023. Pierre Mouton, manager of the DGC Stock Selection fund, came out on top of the 5 nominees for his results over the last 3 years.**

The awards, which were presented last night by Citywire at its annual event at the Alprausch Fabrik in Zurich, recognise the best fund managers in 11 different categories. The methodology used recognises the Swiss fund manager with the best risk-adjusted return over three years. Only funds registered for public distribution in Switzerland are considered. Citywire analyses the results of 16,500 fund managers in 47 countries.

Pierre Mouton joined NS Partners in 2003. He is responsible for the group's long only strategies and is a member of the Asset Allocation Committee. He has been managing the Luxembourg DGC - *Stock Selection* fund since its launch in 2013. Pierre Mouton has over 30 years of experience in the financial industry. After starting his career at AG2R La Mondiale, where he successively managed money market, bond and equity portfolios, he joined Fiduciary Trust in Geneva in 2000 as a portfolio manager. He holds a Master's degree in finance, actuarial science and portfolio management from SKEMA Business School in Lille (France).

Pierre Mouton, Fund Manager and Head of Long Only Investments, said: *"On behalf of NS Partners and my team, I am very honoured to have received this award, which recognises a disciplined investment philosophy that focuses on quality developed market stocks from around the world, combined to form a balanced portfolio. This is especially important to me because the methodology rewards risk-adjusted performance. Indeed, in my view, as a long-term investor, a result must always be assessed in the light of the risks incurred."*

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Founded in 1964, NS PARTNERS (formerly Notz Stucki) is now one of the largest independent investment management groups in Switzerland and in Europe. In its 59 years of existence, NS PARTNERS has developed unrivalled expertise in selecting the best fund managers from around the world and combining them to build top-performing and resilient portfolios. At the same time, NS PARTNERS has built a diversified line-up of traditional strategies with a persuasive track record.

The Group's client base is international and sophisticated, combining high-net-worth individuals, family offices, pension funds, asset management companies, and businesses, all with one demand in common: superior absolute performance and highly personal service.

NS PARTNERS is executive-owned, fiercely independent, and free of any outside pressure that might jeopardise its impartiality. Its executives invest alongside its clients, ensuring that interests are fully aligned.

NS PARTNERS Group manages some CHF 10 billion in assets across three highly complementary branches:

- Wealth Management: Discretionary and advisory management
- Asset Management: NS Funds and investment solutions
- ManCo: Fund engineering and dedicated fund services

NS PARTNERS has over 110 employees in 7 offices around the world (Geneva, Zurich, London, Luxembourg, Madrid, Milan, and Bermuda).

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