

Euronext CEO Stéphane Boujnah and Cboe's Natan Tiefenbrun among winners at FN awards

The 21st annual Excellence in Trading & Tech Awards were announced at a black-tie dinner at One Marylebone in London



Cboe's European head Natan Tiefenbrun was named Industry Personality of the Year and Euronext's CEO Stéphane Boujnah received the Outstanding Contribution Award — Paul Fuller

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Cboe was the big winner in Financial News's Trading & Tech Awards last night, picking up three gongs, including the coveted Exchange Group of the Year.

The 21st annual Excellence in Trading & Tech Awards were announced at a black-tie dinner at One Marylebone in London. The winners were voted on by a panel of independent judges and editorial staff (see details below).

Cboe's European head Natan Tiefenbrun was named Industry Personality of the Year, in recognition of the work he has done to drive the exchange group's continued growth in the region since taking over the role a year ago.

He is also a well-known voice in the industry and has been particularly outspoken about the need for an overhaul of European equities markets and the creation of a consolidated tape.

Cboe's block trading service, BIDS, won Best Equities Trading Solution.

Xavier Rolet, former head of the London Stock Exchange Group, was the guest speaker for the event. He gave his thoughts on the role of markets and new

developments that could have a big impact in the future.

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Euronext's CEO **Stéphane Boujnah** received the Outstanding Contribution Award, which is chosen by the editorial team, for work he has done to create a pan-European exchange group, now with seven trading venues and four central securities depositories across the region.

He has also positioned it to benefit from the movement of business to the European Union in the wake of Brexit. It is currently moving its clearing activities from the London Stock Exchange's LCH onto its own Italian platform.

Another multiple winner was **State Street**, which won Securities Services Provider of the Year for the second year running, although **BNY Mellon** was a very close second. State Street also picked up Best Foreign Exchange Trading Platform for FX Connect, which is part of its GlobalLink suite of e-trading platforms.

Tradeweb won Best Fixed Income Trading Platform, a title it has held onto for several consecutive years. It also came out top in a new category: Best OTC Trading Platform.

For the second year running **FlexTrade** jointly won the fintech innovation category for a collaboration with other organisations. This time, for Europe's first bilateral fixed income trade between **JPMorgan** and **UBS Asset Management** that was executed via FlexTrade's execution management system.

Here is the full list of winners:

Outstanding Contribution Award

Winner: Stéphane Boujnah, CEO, Euronext

Industry Personality of the Year

Winner: Natan Tiefenbrun, president, Cboe Europe

Runner up: Robert Barnes, founder, Anopolis

Exchange Group of the Year

Winner: Cboe Europe

Runner up: Euronext

Trading House of the Year

Winner: Morgan Stanley

Runner up: JPMorgan

Best Equities Trading Solution

Winner: Cboe BIDS

Runner up: Liquidnet

Best Fixed Income Trading Platform

Winner: Tradeweb

Runner up: MarketAxess

Best Foreign Exchange Trading Platform

Winner: FX Connect (State Street)

Runner up: FXSpotStream

Best Crypto Trading Platform

Winner: LMAX Digital

Runner up: Zodia Markets

Best OTC Trading Platform

Winner: Tradeweb

Securities Services Provider of the Year

Winner: State Street

Runner up: BNY Mellon

Trading Initiative of the Year

Winner: TransFICC

Runner up: Liquidnet

Post-Trade Initiative of the Year

Winner: Cassini Systems

Runner up: LCH SwapAgent

Blockchain Initiative of the Year

Winner: Elwood Technologies

Runner up: R3

Financial Technology Innovation of the Year

Winner: FlexTrade/JPMorgan/UBS Asset Management partnership

Runner up: BMLL Technologies

Startup of the Year

Winner: Propellant.digital

Runner up: MillTech FX

Best Firm for Market Structure and Execution Consulting

Winner: Rosenblatt Securities

Runner up: Goldman Sachs

Data Provider of the Year

Winner: BMLL Technologies

Runner up: London Stock Exchange Group

Non-Bank Liquidity Provider of the Year

Winner: Jane Street

Runner up: XTX Markets

Judges:

David Bullen, founder and director, Lorgwood

Octavio Marenzi, CEO and founder, Opimas

Herbie Skeete, managing director, Mondo Visione

Chris Woolley, director of trading, Man Group

Jeremy Chan, trading & tech correspondent, Financial News

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