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2021 KCGS Awards for Best ESG Companies

Korea Corporate Governance Service (KCGS) presents awards to local companies for their outstanding achievements in ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance). The awarding ceremony is held in Market Square of the Korea Exchange Seoul Office at 10:00 AM, Friday, December 3, 2021.

Since its establishment in 2002, the agency has presented annual awards to the best ESG performers in the local market. The awards are aimed at driving Korean companies to improve their practices for environmental management, socially responsible management, and corporate governance. The agency started the awards for governance only in 2003 and expanded the scope to include the environmental and social areas from 2011.

For the governance category, Standard Chartered Bank Korea is awarded the grand prize this year, and five others, SK Innovation, LG Uplus, Hyundai Everdigm, KB Kookmin Card, and Hyundai Capital, receive the 'Good ESG' award. For the corporate governance awards, KCGS reviewed and evaluated

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894 non-financial listed companies (718 on KOSPI and 176 on KOSDAQ) and 111 financial institutions (47 on KOSPI, 9 on KOSDAQ, and 55 private).

The grand prize for the ESG category goes to Pulmuone and the 'Best ESG' award to S-Oil. For the ESG awards too, five other companies, KIA Corporation, Hyundai Bioland, SK Materials, DGB Financial Group, and Samsung Card, are recognized for their 'Good ESG' practices. For the ESG awards, KCGS looked at 950 listed companies (765 on KOSPI and 185 on KOSDAQ).

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Corporate Governance Awards

	Listed Firms (non-FIs)	FIs
Grand Prize	Standard Chartered Bank Korea	
Good Corporate Governance	SK Innovation LG Uplus (Best Improved) Hyundai Everdigm (KOSDAQ)	KB Kookmin Card Hyundai Capital (Best Improved)

ESG Awards

	Listed Firms (non-FIs)	FIs
Grand Prize	Pulmuone	
Best ESG	S-Oil	
Good ESG	KIA Corporation Hyundai Bioland (Best Improved) SK Materials (KOSDAQ)	DGB Financial Group Samsung Card (Best Improved)

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