

12th annual Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada list released

(Toronto, Ontario, June 6th, 2013) Corporate Knights today released its Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada list, the definitive annual ranking of Canada's top corporate citizens.

The ranking, which is in its 12 year, transparently measures a diverse range of Canadian enterprises on a suite of twelve financially relevant sustainability metrics, including greenhouse gas productivity, health & safety performance and pension fund quality. To ensure 'apples to apples' comparisons, companies are ranked exclusively against their industry peers, and scored on a 0-100% scale using only those metrics that are widely disclosed in their respective industry.

The Best Corporate Citizen for 2013 is the Vancouver City Savings Credit Union, a leading Canadian financial co-operative with over \$16 billion in assets under administration. Some of the factors that helped Vancouver City Savings Credit Union earn the top spot were its low CEO-to-average worker pay ratio, formal linkage of executive compensation to the achievement of sustainability-related performance targets and strong gender diversity at the board and senior executive level.

The Corporate Knights Best 50 methodology for grading corporate citizenship, developed with financial support from Industry Canada, has helped raise the rigour and professionalism of what it means to be a good corporate citizen. The methodology has been recognized by Rate the Raters as 'a leading global practice'.

"The investment community, both in Canada and abroad, is increasingly demanding clear and standardized information about companies' sustainability performance," says Doug Morrow, Corporate Knights' managing director. This year's batch of Best 50 corporate citizens stand out as top performers on a suite of forward-looking financially relevant sustainability metrics."

Corporate Knights also examines foreign-based companies with significant operations in Canada in a separate assessment called the Top Foreign Corporate Citizens in Canada.

The full methodology and analysis of the Best 50 Corporate Citizens is detailed at http://www.corporateknights.com/best50 and summarized in the Best 50 2013 issue (Vol. 12.2) of Corporate Knights, found in the Globe and Mail tomorrow.

The Best 50 Corporate Citizens in Canada 2013

Rank	Company name	Industry Group	Score
1	Vancouver City Savings Credit Union	Banks	62.42%
2	Teck Resources	Materials	58.22%
3	Co-operators Group	Insurance	55.53%
4	Barrick Gold	Materials	53.91%
5	Mountain Equipment Co-op	Consumer Durables & Apparel	53.35%
6	Suncor Energy	Energy	53.00%
7	Tim Hortons	Consumer Services	52.89%
8	Mouvement des Caisses Desjardins	Diversified Financials	51.99%
9	Agrium	Materials	51.30%
10	TELUS	Telecommunication Services	51.21%
11	Bombardier	Capital Goods	51.16%
12	Cascades	Materials	51.02%
13	Canadian National Railway	Transportation	50.78%
14	The Toronto-Dominion Bank	Banks	50.74%
15	Royal Bank of Canada	Banks	50.74%
16	Yamana Gold	Materials	50.68%
17	Talisman Energy	Energy	50.65%
18	Intact Financial	Insurance	49.92%
19	Inmet Mining	Materials	49.79%
20	TransAlta	Utilities	48.66%
21	Stantec	Commercial & Professional Services	48.24%
22	Cenovus Energy	Energy	48.22%
23	Enbridge	Energy	48.07%
24	Canadian Pacific Railway	Transportation	47.14%
25	Sears Canada	Retailing	46.93%
26	Hydro-Québec	Utilities	45.58%
27	Kinross Gold	Materials	45.19%
28	IAMGOLD	Materials	44.61%
29	Bank of Montreal	Banks	44.56%
30	Capital Power	Utilities	44.42%
31	Domtar	Materials	44.33%
32	Rogers Communications	Telecommunication Services	44.17%
33	HSBC Bank Canada	Banks	43.93%
34	BCE	Telecommunication Services	43.76%
35	TransCanada	Energy	43.39%
36	Husky Energy	Energy	43.26%
37	Canada Post	Commercial & Professional Services	43.23%
38	EPCOR Utilities	Utilities	42.21%
39	Agnico-Eagle Mines	Materials	41.73%

40	TMX Group	Diversified Financials	41.24%
41	Sun Life Financial	Insurance	41.07%
42	The Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board	Utilities	40.65%
43	Enmax	Utilities	40.21%
44	Ontario Power Generation	Utilities	40.16%
45	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	Banks	39.98%
46	Potash Corp of Saskatchewan	Materials	39.89%
47	Loblaw Companies	Food & Staples Retailing	39.59%
48	Transcontinental	Commercial & Professional Services	39.51%
49	Encana	Energy	39.22%
50	Catalyst Paper	Materials	39.16%

Best 50 Provincial Breakdown

Province	Number
Ontario	18
Alberta	14
Quebec	10
British Columbia	6
Manitoba	1
Saskatchewan	1

The Top Foreign Corporate Citizens in Canada 2013

The Top Foreign Corporate Citizens represent corporations with substantial operations in Canada who are leading the way on corporate citizenship and have their main headquarters in another country. Companies must earn more than \$1 billion/year in Canada, and the parent corporations must have qualified for Corporate Knights's 2013 Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World shortlist.

Company	Country of headquarters
ArcelorMittal Canada	Luxembourg
Alcoa Canada Ltd	United States
AstraZeneca Canada Inc	United Kingdom
BASF Canada	Germany
Bayer Inc	Germany
Cisco Systems Canada	United States
Citigroup Finance Canada Inc	United States
Direct Energy Marketing Limited	United Kingdom

Dow Chemical Canada ULC United States
Electrolux Canada Corp Sweden
Ericsson Canada Inc Sweden

General Electric Canada **United States** GlaxoSmithKline PLC United Kingdom IBM Canada Ltd **United States** Kia Canada South Korea L'Oreal Canada Inc France Mercedes-Benz Canada Inc Germany Merck Canada Inc **United States** Nestle Canada Inc Switzerland

Nissan Canada Inc Japan
Philips Electronics Ltd Netherlands
SAP Canada Inc Germany
Shell Canada Ltd Netherlands
Siemens Canada Ltd Germany
Toyota Canada Inc Japan

Unilever Canada Inc United Kingdom

Vale Canada Ltd Brazil