

ÜNLÜ & Co Receives Two Major Accolades at M&A Atlas Awards

Turkey's leading investment services and asset management group ÜNLÜ & Co has received the "Global M&A Deal of the Year" award, as well as the "Investment Bank of the Year" accolade in Emerging Markets category, at M&A Atlas Awards.

In response to these prestigious awards, ÜNLÜ & Co Chairman of the Board and CEO Mahmut L. Ünlü stated the following: *"Our achievements in the realm of investment services, most notably the transactions we have completed, are earning praise both at home and abroad. These awards, adding to a string of accolades we have won, serve as testaments to our position as one of Turkey's most reputable investment institutions. The fact that the M&A transactions we have brought to fruition to date have generated investments in excess of USD 13 billion in our country, is another notable source of pride for us."*

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Turkey's leading investment services and asset management group ÜNLÜ & Co continues to win awards with the successful merger and acquisition (M&A) deals it has been advising both at home and abroad, as well as with its commitment to excellence in services offered. ÜNLÜ & Co won accolades in two distinct categories at M&A Atlas Awards: "Global M&A Deal of the Year" accolade with the sale of shares held by Betek Boya ve Kimya Sanayi A.Ş. and its subsidiaries to Japan-based Nippon Paint Holdings Co. Ltd., a deal advised in 2019; and "Investment Bank of the Year" title in Emerging Markets category. At

the virtual M&A Atlas Awards ceremony held on December 9, 2021, awards for transaction completed in both 2019 and 2020 were granted.

'These awards serve as testaments to our reputation'

In response to this recognition, **ÜNLÜ & Co Chairman of the Board and CEO Mahmut L. Ünlü** stated the following: *"Our achievements in the realm of investment services, most notably the transactions we have completed, are earning praise both at home and abroad. These awards, adding to a string of accolades we have won, serve as testaments to our having become one of Turkey's most reputable investment institutions. The fact that the M&A transactions we have brought to fruition to date have generated investments in excess of USD 13 billion in our country, is another notable source of pride for us. Our investment banking process remains under way. We are confident that our achievements will reach new heights at the end of this process. Going forward, inspired by our conviction in the future of our country, we will continue our efforts with unwavering commitment."*

'We will sustain our pioneering role'

Expressing pride with these prestigious awards, **ÜNLÜ & Co Corporate Finance Advisory Managing Director İbrahim Romano**, noted the following: *"As the leading firm in the corporate finance and advisory services market, these awards serve as an acknowledgment of our efforts as a team. I would like to thank and congratulate all my colleagues for their dedication. As the global economy recovers from the repercussions of the pandemic, we will sustain our pioneering role in terms of foreign direct investments in our country."*

About ÜNLÜ & Co

Established in 1996, ÜNLÜ & Co Group has become Turkey's leading merger and acquisition advisory firm with the 113 successful transactions it has advised on since 1998. The Company also ranks first in terms deals above USD 30 mn, with total number of concluded transactions, total number of cross-border transactions, and total number of private fund transactions since 2010. (Source: Mergermarket)

ÜNLÜ & Co Group ranks second among all financial institutions with a 22 % market share (excluding privatizations) in capital market transactions through 2010-2021, involving initial public offerings, secondary public offerings, and accelerated book building; 32 transactions; and an aggregate transaction value of USD 3 billion. (Source: Bloomberg)

ÜNLÜ & Co Group has generated an aggregate volume in excess of TL 2.2 billion through 29 debt instrument issuances since 2013. (Source: Borsa İstanbul)

As one of Turkey's leading non-performing loan management companies, İstanbul Varlık has TL 331 million in aggregate investments, and a portfolio with capital value of TL 3.9 billion.

ÜNLÜ & Co also offers personalized investment advisory services to qualified retail and institutional investors through **DAHA Investment Advisory**, which operates within its premises. Assets managed in the framework of DAHA operations amount to TL 6.5 billion as of the end of **October 2021**. In the realm of Asset Management services, ÜNLÜ & Co is active with Fund and Portfolio Management, ÜNLÜ Alternative Assets, and Non-Performing Loan Management, with an employee headcount in excess of 280. Assets managed under Asset Management group amount to around TL 4.9 billion.

Headquartered in Istanbul and having a total employee count close to 500, ÜNLÜ & Co also has offices in İstanbul - Bağdat Street, Ankara and İzmir, along with subsidiaries in New York and London.

Our Major Awards

- 12th & 13th M&A Atlas Awards- Global M&A Deal of the Year & Emerging Markets- Investment Bank of the Year
- "Most Admired Brokerage Firm-2021"- Capital Magazine 21th "Most Admired Companies in Business World" Research
- 6th TSPB Capital Markets Awards- Leader of Mergers and Acquisitions-2020
- Globe Business Excellence Awards- Learning Management Solution – Gold Award
- Stevie Awards for Great Employers 2021- Achievement in Learning Technology Implementation- Silver Stevie Award
- Bonds & Loans Turkey Awards- Local Currency Bond Deal of the Year
- ARC Awards 2021- Interior Design, Gold Prize / Traditional Annual Report, Silver Prize/ Chairman's/ President's Letter, Silver Prize
- EMEA Finance/Europe Banking Awards 2020- Turkey's Best Merger & Acquisition House Award
- Euromoney Awards for Excellence 2015- Best Merger & Acquisition House of the Year
- Euromoney Awards for Excellence 2016/ 2019- Turkey's Best Investment Bank
- ACQ5 Global Awards 2020 -Turkey- Investment Bank of the Year
- 5th TSPB Capital Markets Awards- Leader of Mergers and Acquisitions & Social Impact Project (ÜNLÜ & Co Women Entrepreneurs Academy)
- Bonds & Loans 2020 - Project Finance Deal of the Year Nominee - Unifree Duty Free A.Ş. Third Airport Project / Structured Bond Deal of the Year Runner-Up - ÜNLÜ Menkul Hasat Asset Finance Fund / Tarfin Tarım A.Ş.
- BV Awards 2020 -Turkey / Best Investment Research Team
- Sardis Awards - Positive Social Impact – Social Gender Equality / ÜNLÜ & Co Women Entrepreneurs Academy / Silver Sardis
- ARC Awards 2020 - Photography, Gold Prize / Traditional Annual Report, Silver Prize / Chairman's/President's Letter, Silver Prize
- İstanbul Marketing Awards 2020 - Annual Report Design

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