

INSTITUTIONAL INVESTOR PUBLISHES 2023 ALL-AMERICA EXECUTIVE TEAM RANKINGS

29 companies listed across the U.S. came first in all seven categories in their sectors

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New York, November 8, 2022. The following companies clinched a first-place clean sweep in the combined rankings across seven categories for Best CEO, Best CFO, Best Investor Relations Professional, Best IR Program, Best ESG, Best Analyst/Investor Event and Best Company Board in their respective sectors in the 2023 All-America Executive Team survey, published today by *Institutional Investor Research (II Research)*.

Alcoa Corp. (Metals & Mining); American Express Co. (Consumer Finance); Amgen (Biotechnology); Baker Hughes (Oil Services & Equipment); Ball Corp. (Paper & Packaging); Catalent (Health Care Technology & Distribution); Cheniere Energy (Natural Gas & Master Limited Partnerships); Chevron Corp. (Integrated Oil); D.R. Horton (Homebuilders & Building Products); Delta Air Lines (Airlines); DexCom (Medical Supplies & Devices); Eli Lilly and Co. (Pharmaceuticals); Estee Lauder Cos. (Beverage, Household & Personal Care Products); Hess Corp. (Oil & Gas Exploration & Production); JPMorgan Chase & Co. (Banks); Microsoft Corp. (Software); Mondelez International (Food Producers); Nike (Retailing/Department Stores & Specialty Softlines); NVIDIA Corp. (Semiconductors); Prologis (REITs); Quanta Services (Engineering & Construction); Tesla (Autos & Auto Parts); Thermo Fisher Scientific (Life Science & Diagnostic Tools); T-Mobile US (Telecommunications); Tractor Supply Co. (Retailing/Broadlines & Hardlines); TransDigm Group (Aerospace & Defense Electronics); United Rentals (Machinery); Visa (Payments, Processors & IT Services); Walt Disney Co. (Media).

The Executive Team survey captures market feedback and aggregates the level of stakeholders' trust in their equity assets; over 3,400 asset managers and sell-side analysts offered their candid opinions in exchange for anonymity in the All-America Executive Team rankings.

These rankings gauge the quality of U.S. investor relations programs as well as CEO, CFO and ESG performance.

Investor participation and market feedback exceeded last year, as Corporates ramped up investor engagement to nurture stakeholder relationships in response to market uncertainty.

Emerging trends identified

1. Interest in the Pharmaceuticals, Semiconductors and Alternative Energy grew the most this year.

Companies in the Pharmaceuticals space saw the sharpest increase of 33% in voter participation, followed by Semiconductors and Alternative Energy, each at 27% increases.

2. Semiconductors overtake Banks.

Software sector remains the most popular among voters, but Semiconductors overtakes Banks and is the second-largest sector for participation within the survey.



3. Authority & Credibility most sought-after metric for IR.

From a total of 8 metrics voters were asked to evaluate, Authority & Credibility was the mostrated metric, indicating the steadily growing empowerment of IR professionals among shareholders.

Movers and shakers

- American International Group overtakes Voya Financial as #1 Insurance.
- Catalent shoots to top of the Most Honored Company ladder in Health Care Technology & Distribution.
- IAC/InterActiveCorp overtakes Amazon.com in Internet.
- Nike moves into top positioning to unseat Ulta Beauty in Retailing/Department Stores & Specialty Softlines.

Ursula Kizy, Director for North America, says, "The Executive Team survey gives investment professionals the opportunity to independently and anonymously nominate corporate executives and IR teams who embody not just strong financial performance, but more specifically clarity in communication, trustworthiness and reliability. The winners in this year's Executive Team rankings have truly demonstrated their credibility and resilience during these relentlessly difficult market conditions, and we are excited to honor them this year."

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