

PRESS RELEASE

The French Chamber announces the winners of the Franco-British Business Awards 2014

London, 28 November 2014 - The Franco-British Business Awards 2014, organised by the French Chamber of Commerce in Great Britain under the high patronage of the French Ambassador to the United Kingdom and the British Ambassador to France, were awarded to:

- Merci Maman for the SME/Entrepreneur Award
- ARM for the Innovation Award
- Saint-Gobain for the Large Corporate Award
- HSBC for the Jury's Special Award
- and a special 'Coup de Cœur' was awarded to Caviar Petrossian

These Awards recognise and pay tribute to the achievements and innovative spirit of French and British entrepreneurs, SMEs and blue chips companies, and encourage, with the support of both Invest in France and UKTI, the further development of cross-Channel trade and investment, which is already extremely vibrant with the UK being France's largest trade surplus and France being the third largest investor in the UK.

"The quality and diversity of the applications received for this year's edition testify to the ongoing success of these Awards, as well as to their purpose. May they continue to reflect and acknowledge our flourishing Franco-British businesses for many years to come!" Arnaud Bamberger, President of the French Chamber, said.

Held at the May Fair hotel last night, the 15th edition of the Franco-British Business was sponsored by Eurostar, HSBC and Mazars and supported by partners Invest in France Agency and UKTI.

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About the French Chamber

Established in 1883, our Chamber is part of a network of 112 French Chambers of Commerce Abroad (CCI France International) and is one of the top French Chambers worldwide. We are also the largest Foreign Chamber in the UK in terms of both turnover and range of services offered. The size of our network and its diversity – we have 600 members, ranging from SMEs to blue chip companies, with 40% non-French representatives – contribute significantly to our reputation and success.

Our main aims are to provide a platform for exchange and networking at the service of Franco-British firms in the UK, to promote our members' interests to key decision makers and to help develop economic and commercial relations between France and the UK. Our Business Consultancy, Company Set up and Recruitment services provide both British and French companies with a large range of bespoke professional services.

The 50 events we organise every year, with personalities from the British and French political, academic and business worlds, offer great opportunities for our members to expand their network of contacts and develop their businesses. Additionally, our Forums and Clubs, focusing on issues or sectors such as Human Resources, Climate Change, Cross-Cultural Relations, Finance, Legal, Luxury and SMEs/Entrepreneurs, offer our members dedicated platforms to share experiences and best practice at the highest level of management.

Finally, we take pride in the quality of our publications, including our magazine INFO, our members' directory, our business guides and our Cross-Cultural Relations Booklet as well as our e-newsletters.

They all provide a wealth of information and help promote the interests of the Franco-British business community.

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