

## Great News for Scotiabank

For the first time, Scotiabank has been recognized on the prestigious Dow Jones Sustainability World Index (DJSI World) for 2009. This means that Scotiabank is joining a group of only 11 Canadian companies that made the list this year, achieving great standing in corporate social responsibility.

DJSI World annually reviews the top 10 per cent of the largest 2,500 corporations worldwide that are listed on the Dow Jones Global Total Stock Market Index. They look at economic, environmental and social performance; assessing issues such as corporate governance, risk management, climate change mitigation, supply chain standards and labour practices.

Corporate social responsibility is where a business monitors and ensures its adherence to law, ethical standards, and international norms. A business would embrace responsibility for the impact of their activities on the environment, consumers, employees, communities, and stakeholders. Furthermore, a business would proactively encourage community growth and development, and voluntarily eliminating practices that harm the general public.

With Scotiabank's strong culture of prudent risk management, governance and teamwork, the company has been recognized for its leading role in the banking industry. Scotiabank will continue to develop initiatives and policies that reinforce their role as a responsible member of their community embedding the principles of corporate social responsibility in all of their activities.



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