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HYGEIA wins the 2011 award for Best Corporate Governance in Greece

HYGEIA Group received the Best Corporate Governance in Greece award for 2011 by the renowned international magazine *World Finance* in a ceremony at the London Stock Exchange.

The World Finance Corporate Governance awards are presented to companies that excel in corporate governance practices. The companies that receive the awards in each country must adopt practices that exceed the formal statutory requirements in force.

This distinction formally acknowledges the efforts made by HYGEIA Group to establish itself as an innovator in international developments with regard to corporate governance issues, as well as its business ethics and transparency in its relations with all active stakeholders.

Commenting on this honorary distinction, HYGEIA's CEO, Ms Areti Souvatzoglou, noted, "HYGEIA Group's Management not only strives to fully implement the relevant statutory regulations for corporate governance, but to also adopt principles and values that ensure the Company's growth, by implementing all the modern management practices. We firmly enforce the notion of business ethics in decision-making, safeguarding the interests of shareholders, as well as the rights of anyone connected with the Group."

World Finance is a world-renowned magazine catering for top executives from the world of business, banking and institutional investors. Its articles mainly focus on issues concerning internationally-renowned companies, capital markets and the current economic developments in general.