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## Twelve exciting companies make the shortlist for the European Small and Mid-Cap Awards 2021

European Issuers, FESE, and the European Commission are delighted to announce the shortlisted companies of the 9<sup>th</sup> annual [European Small and Mid-Cap Awards](#).

These twelve companies have been chosen for the shortlist from amongst a high standard of nominations from across Europe.

A 'Special Mention' will also be awarded to an individual or company which has had a significant impact on small and mid-cap issuers accessing capital markets.

The winners of each category, as well as the 'Special Mention', will be revealed at a special Awards ceremony taking place on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021 during the European Commission's [SME Assembly](#) in Portorož, Slovenia.

### Rising Star

Highlights exceptional SMEs with a market capitalisation of up to € 50 million.

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Dadelo is a bicycle seller and at the same time the biggest bicycle parts seller in Poland online via the centrumrowerowe.pl domain. The e-shop range also includes clothing and footwear for cycling fans, electronics, nutrients and speciality cosmetics. In total, the e-shop offers around 13,000 products with unique digital IDs. **Dadelo is listed on Warsaw Stock Exchange.**



A family business founded in 2009, Écomiam operates the first ethical and accessible network to distribute fresh frozen products that are 100% French origin and largely unprocessed. It offers customers a Click & Collect option and a website that guarantees home delivery within 48 hours. It was listed on Euronext Growth to finance its expansion into most other regions in continental France. **Écomiam is listed on Euronext.**



FOM Technologies sells state of the art and cutting-edge slot-die coating machines and equipment that enables researchers, scientist's and professionals to discover, develop and commercialise new functional materials, for a cleaner and more sustainable future. Slot-die coating is a new precise method for depositing a thin liquid film to the surface of a substrate. The main focus research areas are energy harvesting (Solar) and energy storage (Batteries, Fuel-cells and Power to X). **FOM Technologies is listed on Nasdaq.**

### International Star

Showcases newly listed mid-cap companies with impressive international sales, profits, and market share growth.

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CZG – Česká Zbrojovka Group (CZG), together with its subsidiaries, is one of the leading producers of firearms for military and law enforcement, personal defence, hunting, sport shooting and other commercial use. CZG markets and sells its products mainly under the CZ (Česká zbrojovka), CZ-USA, Colt, Colt Canada, Dan Wesson, Brno Rifles and 4M Systems brands. **CZG is listed on Prague Stock Exchange.**



The M+ Group is the leading business process and technology outsourcing (BPTO) provider in Southeast Europe and Central Asia. It is the largest and fastest-growing company in both regions, employing more than 8,000 people. Its diverse delivery model allows the company to provide first-rate support to various industry verticals focusing on the technology segment and 58 different markets. **M+Grupa is listed on Zagreb Stock Exchange.**



Pexip is a global video conferencing company that simplifies video communication across businesses and platforms. Pexip provides a flexible, scalable meeting platform, including a variety of deployment methods. With a focus on privacy and data security, Pexip can be customized to meet customers' unique needs and existing infrastructure, providing a solution for traditional video meetings but also a platform for business to consumer applications. **Pexip is listed on Euronext.**

## Star of Innovation

Celebrates newly listed mid-caps that place innovation at the centre of their business development strategy.

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CY4GATE was founded in 2014 to meet the demand for unconventional cybersecurity solutions. It was created to design, develop and produce technologies, products and services that respond to the most rigorous and sophisticated “Cyber Intelligence & Cyber Security” needs expressed by the armed forces, police, intelligence agencies and companies in Italy and abroad. **CY4GATE is listed on Borsa Italiana.**



Marinomed Biotech AG is an Austrian science-based biopharmaceutical company with globally marketed therapeutics. The company focuses on the development of innovative products based on two patent-protected technology platforms. The Marinosolv® platform increases the efficacy of hardly soluble compounds for the treatment of sensitive tissues. The Carragelose® platform comprises innovative products targeting respiratory viral infections and can reduce the risk of infection with SARS-CoV-2. **Marinomed is listed on Vienna Stock Exchange.**



Nanoform is an innovative nanoparticle medicine enabling company. Nanoform works together with pharma and biotech partners globally to provide hope for patients in developing new and improved medicines utilizing Nanoform’s platform technologies. The company focuses on reducing clinical attrition and on enhancing drug molecules’ performance through its nanoforming technologies and formulation services. **Nanoform is listed on Nasdaq.**

## Star of 2021

Lauds newly listed companies displaying outstanding corporate responsibility and exceptional performance in their sector.

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Aluflexpack produces flexible packaging solutions mainly for end-markets such as coffee & tea, pharmaceuticals, pet food, confectionery and dairy. Well-established insights, service flexibility and development competence are what underpin long-term customer relationships, both with local operating companies and large international corporations. Aluflexpack, headquartered in Switzerland, has production facilities in Switzerland, France, Poland and Turkey and Croatia. **Aluflexpack is listed on SIX Swiss Exchange.**



Compleo Charging Solutions AG is a leading provider of charging solutions for electric vehicles developing and producing both AC and DC charging stations. The fast-growing Green Tech company enables emission-free mobility and is committed to consistently improve its ESG footprint. The company's DC charging stations are the first ones on the market that comply with calibration regulations. **Compleo is listed on Deutsche Börse.**



Making Science is a technology and digital marketing consultancy specializing in e-commerce and digital transformation. The markets in which Making Science operates are digital advertising, data analytics, e-commerce, and cloud, all of them with high growth rates. The Making Science Group currently employs more than 500 people and has a presence and technological development in 9 markets: Spain, Portugal, Mexico, Colombia, France, Italy, UK, Ireland, and the USA. **Making Science is listed on BME.**

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## Information for the editor:

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**Please note that the shortlisted companies for each category are listed in alphabetical order.**

### **About the European Small and Mid-Cap Awards**

*The objective of the Awards is to promote best practices and highlight the best European Small and Mid-Sized Companies that have gained access to capital markets via an Initial Public Offering (IPO). They showcase the diversity of European markets and aim to promote stock listings, in particular targeting SMEs and growth companies. These companies are critical to accomplishing the EU's goals of job creation, competitiveness, and growth.*

*The European Small and Mid-Cap Awards advocate the benefits of equity financing and encourage smaller companies to consider this financing option. Equity market financing plays a key role in the creation of jobs and growth and in the overall competitiveness of a company.*  
<https://europeansmallandmidcapawards.eu/>

### **The Awards Jury**

*The shortlisted companies are chosen by an independent jury:*

- *Detlef Fechtner, EU Correspondent, Börsen-Zeitung*
- *Martin Hock, Finance Editor, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung (F.A.Z.)*
- *Jean-Pierre Paelinck, President and Secretary General, World Federation of Investors*
- *Phaedon Tamvakakis, Vice Chairman, Alpha Trust Investment Services*
- *James Wood, Small Cap Specialist, Winterflood Securities*

### **About the European Commission**

*The Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW) of the European Commission develops and implements a range of policies to improve access to finance for SMEs in the EU. SMEs are critical to European economic recovery and to accomplishing the EU's goals of job creation, competitiveness and growth. For more information, please visit [https://ec.europa.eu/growth/access-to-finance\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/growth/access-to-finance_en).*

### **About EuropeanIssuers**

*EuropeanIssuers is a pan-European organisation representing the interests of publicly quoted companies across Europe to the EU Institutions. We seek capital markets that serve the interests of their end users, including issuers. For more information, please visit [www.europeanissuers.eu](http://www.europeanissuers.eu).*

### **About FESE**

*The Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE) represents 36 exchanges in equities, bonds, derivatives and commodities through 18 full members from 30 countries, as well as one Affiliate Member and one Observer Member. For further information please visit [www.fese.eu/](http://www.fese.eu/).*

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