

GUERNSEY CONTINUES TO LEAD FOR LSE LISTINGS

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Guernsey is again the global finance industry's number one choice for non-UK entities listed on the [London Stock Exchange \(LSE\)](#).

LSE data released today shows that there were 124 Guernsey-incorporated entities listed on the Main Market and AIM at the end of 2016.

Guernsey added nine new entities to the LSE markets during 2016, which is the same number as its two nearest competitors combined, excluding the UK. Those Guernsey entities included Hadrian's Wall Secured Investments, the first investment company to list on the LSE's Main Market in 2016, and VinaCapital Vietnam Opportunity Fund, which completed its migration from the Cayman Islands to Guernsey and its move from AIM to the premium segment of the Main Market in the early part of last year.

Guernsey's total number of non-UK LSE listings is more than 40 ahead of its nearest competitor, which is Jersey with 82.

"These figures show that Guernsey remains the jurisdiction of choice for entities listing on the London Stock Exchange," said Dominic Wheatley, Chief Executive of Guernsey Finance.

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In total, Guernsey has 91 non-UK entities listed on the Main Market of the LSE and is home to 33 entities listed on AIM. In addition, Guernsey is the clear market leader in terms of the number of non-UK 'Equity Investment Instruments' – the majority of investment funds – listed on the LSE with 74.

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Guernsey, located in the Channel Islands between the UK and France, is an independent dependency of the UK Crown. It is outside of the EU but is granted access to European markets through demonstrated regulatory compliance. Its finance industry is regulated, governed and operated by pragmatic domestic institutions to the highest international standards. Guernsey has more than 1,000 investment funds domiciled or serviced in the

island, 150 licensed fiduciaries and 800 licensed insurance vehicles. Guernsey Finance is the international promotional agency for the island's finance industry.

WE ARE GUERNSEY is the brand under which Guernsey Finance promotes the island's financial services sector internationally. Guernsey Finance - the promotional agency for the island's finance industry internationally - is a joint industry and Government initiative responsible for the promotion of Guernsey. Under the leadership of Chief Executive Dominic Wheatley, the agency ensures that the core values and competencies of the island's finance sector are accepted and respected by the global community and that financial business development flows are enhanced.

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