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7th edition of the ACGE Sectorial Index

SonaeSierra leads Corporate Climatic Responsibility ranking for the 6th time

- Acknowledgment of Sonae Sierra's carbon emissions reduction strategy
- Participation of the 80 largest Portuguese companies

Sonae Sierra leads for the sixth time the "Corporate Climatic Responsibility: ACGE Sector Index 2011", published by Euronatura – Centre for Environmental Law and Sustainable Development, reinforcing the national and international recognition of the Company's commitment to Sustainability.

The ACGE Index is based on direct contact with the companies and on the fulfillment of criteria for commitment in fighting the climatic changes phenomenon. In its 7th edition, the project evaluated the performance of 82 companies, in 14 different sectors, assessed in 28 criteria associated with the administrative structure and supervision of environmental issues, as well as management and investment of environmental and the dissemination and communication of issues related to climatic changes and the inventory of greenhouse gases.

The top ranked companies are the ones that are able to establish a structured and consistent plan with long-term objectives, master the monitoring of climatic indicators, use CO₂ as a preferred indicator for the definition of goals and express their concerns and responsibility reporting in the value chain.

The ACGE Index allows the comparison of management policies results of the different companies, in a perspective of competitiveness and improvement of the environmental performance, also taking on a dimension of public awareness and information



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International acknowledgment

The Company's strong commitment to Sustainability has received wide international acknowledgment.

Recently Sonae Sierra was acknowledged by GRESB - Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark - as the company with the most sustainable property funds in Europe and the third one worldwide.

The company was also the only from the shopping centre industry represented at the Energy Efficiency in Buildings Project of the WBCSD (World Business Council for Sustainable Development) - a project with the vision of creating a "zero carbon building" - and the only company in the sector to subscribe the WBCSD manifesto for the reduction of building energy consumption.

Furthermore, Sonae Sierra is also the only Portuguese company represented at the Greenprint Foundation, which brings together a group of leading companies in the real estate, investment and financial areas, committed to the reduction of carbon emissions in the real estate sector. The organization aims to create solutions to improve energy efficiency in buildings, which represents 1/3 of the total carbon emissions on the planet.

2011 - European Risk Management Awards in the Most Innovative Use of IT or other Technology rewards the best and most innovative actions in the risk management area. This award distinguishes Sonae Sierra's bet on the perfecting of the inspections system, employing a new technological platform that enables the control and management of Safety & Health risks and environmental impacts in its Shopping Centres.

2010 - European Risk Management Awards in the Best Environmental Risk Control acknowledges the Company's commitment to being the best Company specialized in sustainable shopping centres.

2009 - Sustainable Energy Europe Awards (SEE), in the Market Transformation category, acknowledges the company's innovation in the energetic sustainability area, through the implementation of the pioneering "green centre" concept in the development and management of its centres. This initiative of the European Commission rewards the best and most innovative programs in the area of energetic sustainability, at a European level.

2009 - European Risk Management Awards in the Best Risk Training Programme category,



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acknowledges the development of a Safety & Health culture across the entire company and its shopping centres, namely through the PERSONÆ Project.

2008 - Green Thinker Award in the Most Sustainable Developer in Europe category, in the real estate area. This award acknowledges Sonae Sierra's pioneering attitude in the Sustainability area among more than 100 European real estate companies.

2007 - ReSource Award, a distinction from the International Council of Shopping Centres (ICSC), which rewards the excellence of the company's long-term commitment to sustainable development.

About Sonae Sierra

Sonae Sierra, www.sonaesierra.com, is the international shopping centre specialist, with a passion for bringing innovation and excitement to the shopping centre industry. The Company owns 49 Shopping Centres in Portugal, Spain, Italy, Germany, Greece, Romania and Brazil. Sonae Sierra is also providing services to third parties in Cyprus, Serbia, Croatia, Morocco and Colombia. Currently, the Sonae Sierra has 5 projects under construction and 6 new projects in different phases of completion in Portugal, Italy, Germany, Greece, Romania and Brazil. Sonae Sierra manages a gross lettable area (GLA) of more than 2.2 million m² with more than 8,500 tenants. In 2010, Sonae Sierra welcomed more than 442 million visits in its shopping centres.