



Generali Investments CEE Received the International Award for the Best Asset Manager in the Czech Republic in 2022

Generali Investments CEE was named the Best Asset Manager in the Czech Republic. The Best Asset Management Services award is awarded by Capital Finance International, a British business journal that monitors the development of the economy, markets and banking and financial services around the world. According to the jury, our company scored in a number of ways: it benefits from a combination of the strong international background of the Generali Group and deep knowledge of the local market, has demonstrated the ability to react flexibly in times of crisis and is able to come up with new competitive products even in an uncertain economic climate – and last but not least, it has clearly distinguished itself in the field of sustainable development and charitable activities.

The jury also highlighted the fact that, despite a short-term outflow of investment in the early days of the Covid-19 pandemic that had caused concerns among investors, our company soon returned to the same volumes, even later surpassing them. *"We received the award for 2022. However, it is an evaluation of our work over the last three years: we have managed to increase the profitability and the volume of assets under management. With more than 16 billion euros that we manage for our institutional and retail clients, we are number one on the Czech market,"* says Josef Beneš, CEO of Generali Investments CEE.

The jury was impressed by the high level of charitable activities and the success of the new products

With regard to the charitable activities of Generali Investments CEE, the jury especially recognised the considerable financial assistance in favour of the Seniors' Support Fund which had provided in-home care to the most vulnerable at the time of the greatest onslaught of the Covid-19 pandemic. (In this context, we also placed second in the Golden Crown competition in the category of social responsibility). As part of this cooperation, we also provided financial assistance to the Fund for the Needy during the epidemic. In addition to supporting organisations helping disadvantaged groups of fellow citizens, we are also involved in the Generali Group's global activities, which connects non-profit organisations with the private sector through The Human Safety Net.

This year, in response to the current situation, we have established a new hedge fund. The Generali Hedge Equity Fund offered the opportunity to invest in stable European companies with a high dividend yield while at the same time 100% hedging the invested amount and currency hedging. The fund met with great enthusiasm from clients – during the two-month accumulation period they invested more than 42 million euros, which we have recorded as one of the most successful tranches ever.

We develop our activities with regard to long-term sustainability and support environmentally focused projects. For example, we have been a partner of the running series 'Run in Forests' for several years in which we spread awareness about the correct sorting of waste. In terms of investment opportunities, you can find funds in our offer that focus on the so-called green investments – Generali Sustainable Growth Fund and Generali Living Planet Fund.