

**Corporate Information** 

# Naturex is rewarded for the quality of its Investor Relations in the area of Sustainable Development

Press release

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Naturex's Head of Investor Relations, Carole Alexandre, received the Bronze Prize for the *Best Investor Relations* in the *Sustainable Development* category at the Best Investor Relations Awards' 9<sup>the</sup> edition held on 5 December at the Etoile Saint Honoré Conference Centre in Paris:

"This award is doubly rewarding for Naturex. It is a testimony to the transparency and quality of our financial communications with financial analysts and institutional investors and it rewards our



responsible approach for engaging with stakeholders based on our Pathfinder sustainable development programme introduced in 2013.

I would like to share this prize with the Naturex teams involved in the CSR<sup>1</sup> report's production as well as those who, through their actions throughout the world, contribute to advancing our ethical values in our relations with local populations and respecting the environment." commented Carole Alexandre on this occasion.

Naturex is furthermore a component of Gaïa Index that ranks the top 70 companies out of a panel of 230 based on their extra-financial performances. In 2016 the Group accordingly ranked 9<sup>th</sup> for companies with revenue of between €150 million and €500 million and 43<sup>rd</sup> in the overall ranking.

# About the Investor Relations Forum : http://www.forum-ir.com

The Investor Relations Forum (*Forum des Relations Investisseurs*) is the France's annual meeting for investment relations professionals providing a venue for exchanges about key areas of their field and markets.

Sponsored by representatives of different financial market stakeholders – CLIFF (the French association of financial communication professionals), Euronext, the IFA (Financial Analysts Institute ), the AFG (the French Asset Management Association), and the SFAF (the French Society of Financial Analysts ) – the Forum hosts every year a major debate on IR subjects and the Best Investor Relations Award Ceremony recognises the achievements of financial communications professionals based on a survey conducted with financial analysts and French and foreign asset managers and SFAF members.

The Forum is also supported by major providers of specialised IR services to listed companies: PwC, JP Morgan, Euronext, Cacéis, Seitosei, Citigate Dewe Rogerson, cmi2i, Donnelley Financial Solutions, the Financial Times, Le Revenu, Eurobusinessmedia, EasyBcom, and NFR-Advisory.

The Forum and the Awards event provide an opportunity each year to paying tribute to professionals responsible for relations between listed companies and investors for the quality of their work and encourage the best practices in the area of financial transparency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Corporate Social Responsibility





The Forum and the Best Investor Relations Awards are developed by NFR-Advisory and coproduced by NFR-Advisory and PG Promotion.

# About Gaïa-Index

Gaïa-Index, a subsidiary of EthiFinance, is specialised in the analysis and rating of the CSR (corporate social responsibility) performance of SMEs and mid-sized companies. In 2016 more than 500 mid caps were assessed.

Every year since 2009, the Gaïa-Index collects extra financial information from a panel of 230 intermediate sized companies and SMEs listed on the Paris stock exchange. The methodology is based on the Gaïa Index extrafinancial information benchmark that provides a basis for evaluating the companies' transparency and the degree of maturity of their policies, best practices and CSR performance. The Gaïa index is comprised of the 70 top ranking companies of the panel (excluding "serious" controversy alerts) based on this assessment. These companies outperform the CAC40 and CAC Mid & Small indexes every year.

You can receive all financial information of Naturex free of charge by signing up at: www.naturex.fr

#### Upcoming events

- Analysts meeting (SFAF French Society of Financial Analysts), Paris
- Annual General Meeting

30 March 2017 20 June 2017

- Financial schedule
  - Revenue FY 2016
  - 2016 annual results

6 February 2017 29 March 2017



# **NATUREX**

# About Naturex

Naturex sources, manufactures and markets natural speciality ingredients for the food, health and cosmetic industries. As the Natural Maker, the company actively supports the global shift from synthetic to natural through an offer built on two main focus areas: My Natural Food and My Natural Selfcare. Naturex's portfolio includes colours, antioxidants, speciality fruits & vegetables, phytoactives, and numerous other plant-based natural ingredients, designed to create healthy, authentic and effective products.

The Group's strong commitment to quality, sustainability, continuous innovation process, and the talent of its people are at the heart of its success.

Headquartered in Avignon, France, Naturex has experienced steadily-increasing growth throughout the last 20 years. The group posted €397.8 million in sales in 2015 and employs 1,700 people worldwide. The Group is listed on Euronext Paris, Compartment B – Index: Euronext Next 150, Enternext CAC PEA-PME 150, CAC Small & Mid, CAC Small, Gaïa - Ticker: NRX - Reuters: NATU.PA - Bloomberg: NRX:FP - DR SYMBOL: NTUXY

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