ESG Identity Awards 2026 Methodology

The ESG Identity Awards identify the best Asset Manager by ESG Identity, assessed based on ESG.IAMA (ESG Identity Asset Manager Assessment), the world's first research on Asset Manager ESG Identity.

Sample for the 2026 edition

A total of 38 international asset managers participated in the 2026 edition of the Awards, as of 31 August 2026. Seven of these are Italian asset management companies.

Awards categories

ESG.IAMA – the highest overall score in the research

Corporate ESG Identity – highest score in the section on how sustainability is internalized at the corporate level by the Asset Manager in its governance processes

ESG Investment Process – the highest score in the section on how the ESG-specific investment process is structured

ESG Asset Management – the highest score in the section on how the invested asset management process is structured and how dialogue takes place to achieve specific ESG objectives

ESG Identity Extended – the highest score in the area that this year examines the following aspects at company level: business conduct, approach and alignment between Asset Managers and Asset Owners in the context of ESG commitments and stewardship responsibilities

Behemot size – the highest overall score in the research, from an Asset Manager with Aum over one trillion euros

Large size – the highest overall score in the research, from an Asset Manager with Aum between €250 billion and €1 trillion

Mid-size – the highest overall score in the research, from an Asset Manager with Aum between €50 billion and €250 billion

Small & Boutique size – the highest overall score in the search, from an Asset Manager with Aum below €50 billion

Italian Asset Manager – the highest overall score in the search, from an Asset Manager headquartered in Italy