



Alt Credit US award winners announced

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Credit managers came together to celebrate the best-in-class at the inaugural *Alt Credit Intelligence* US Service and Performance Award yesterday in New York.

The event took place at 583 Park Avenue, New York where industry participants toasted to service providers and managers alike.

The credit markets were increasingly volatile in 2015, presenting challenges but also opportunities for managers, and the purpose of our awards is to honour those funds which outperformed their peers, generating positive returns amid the market volatility and rising illiquidity.

ACI congratulates all the winners and looks forward to celebrating our next awards in November 2016.

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>WINNER FUND</u>
Asset backed	STS Partners Fund
CLO specialist	ACIS CLO Value Fund II
Credit arbitrage strategy	Arrowpoint Income Opportunity Fund
Credit specialist over \$500m	Guggenheim Opportunistic Investment Grade Securities Fund
Credit Specialist under \$500m	ZAIS Opportunity Fund
Direct lending fund	Waterfall Victoria Fund
Distressed securities	STS Partners Fund
Event driven – credit	MidOcean Credit Opportunity Fund
Fixed income – corporate	Altegris Fixed Income Long Short Fund
High yield fund	Princeton Alternative Income Fund
Hybrid fund	Drawbridge Special Opportunities Fund
Long/short credit over \$300m	Varadero Master Fund
Long/short credit under \$300m	Coherence Capital Spectrum Master Fund
Merger arbitrage	Glazer Enhanced Offshore Fund
Multi-strategy credit fund	AG Super Fund
Newcomer – credit	Alden Global CRE Opportunities Master Fund
40 Act – credit	Highland Global Allocation Fund
Convertible arbitrage	Lazard Rathmore Fund Class A
Fixed income – sovereign	DHP Absolute Return Strategies
Special situations	Altum Credit Fund
Structured finance	MatlinPatterson Securitized Credit Fund
Yield alternative	Varadero Master Fund

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>WINNER FUND</u>
Volatility	PIMCO Multi-Asset Volatility Fund
Fund of hedge funds – credit	Corbin Opportunity Fund
Fund of hedge funds – innovation	Gapstow Opportunity Fund
Fund of hedge funds – specialist	Silver Creek Credit Opportunities I Fund A

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>WINNER FUND</u>
Best administrator - client service	Fundadministration
Best administrator – innovation	Virtus Partners
Best administrator – overall	SS&C
Best audit services	EY
Best business development firm	Agecroft Partners
Best data and information provider	Preqin
Best distribution platform	ML Capital
Best portfolio management system	ClearStructure Financial Technology
Best risk management system	Orchestrade Financial Systems
Best tax advisor	EisnerAmper
Best technology - overall	Black Mountain Systems
Best trading and execution technology	MarketAxess
Best valuation service	Markit
Best valuation service - hard to value assets	Valuation Research
Best private debt administration	TMF Group
Best debt/loan administration - client Service	Cortland Capital Market Services
Best debt/loan administration - innovation	Opus Fund Services
Best debt/loan administration - overall	Virtus Partners
Best trustee services - client service	US Bank
Best Trustee Services - overall	BNY Mellon
Best middle-office services	Viteos
Best compliance firm	Cordium
Best law firm - client service	Oriogun
Best law firm – overall	Dechert
Best prime broker - cap intro	Barclays
Best prime broker - credit strategies	BNP Paribas