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**Alexander Ivlev named Russia’s Best CEO by Managers Association and Publishing House Kommersant**

MOSCOW, 26 OCTOBER 2016. EY Managing Partner for Russia Alexander Ivlev has won in the Russia Best Top Executive (CEO) category at the 2016 Top 1,000 Russian Managers Awards. Earlier Mr. Ivlev was also placed first in a separate category for best-performing top managers of professional services firms.

“Our sector – audit and consulting services – is less in the public eye than banking, telecoms or manufacturing. Our successful performance at the awards is a sign that audit and consulting services are recognized as a sector that plays an important role in Russia’s economic growth. I am delighted that our firm has further strengthened its leadership position in recent years, leaving its main rivals far behind,” said Alexander Ivlev.

For the first time in the 14-year history of the awards, an audit and consulting firm executive won in the Russia Best Top Executive (CEO) category.

The awards gala was held at the Russkaya Pesnya Moscow State Musical Folklore Theater on 25 October. Winners were announced across 11 functional categories and four special categories.

Svetlana Borodyuk, EY Government Relations Manager, was among the top 5 Chief Government Relations Officers.

The Top 1,000 Russian Managers Awards, instituted by the Russian Managers Association and Publishing House Kommersant in 2003, are prestigious awards that honor top managers. The competition is designed to select the most professional executives in Russia by function and industry. The list of the top 1,000 Russian managers who receive the highest points from the vote is published annually by the national newspaper Kommersant. Seven EY managers were awarded top spots in the Professional Services category at the 2016 awards.

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