



InvestBank Corp.

INVESTMENT BANK OF THE YEAR, USA, 2024

In the investment banking industry in the United States of America, one firm clearly stands out to the global investment community. That's why InvestBank Corp. has been recognised as Investment Bank of the Year in the USA for 2024. International Investor also named Don Christensen, InvestBank's founder and President, Investment Banker of the Year in the USA.

Headquartered in the United States of America, InvestBank Corp. is a global investment banking leader. InvestBank's deal pipeline includes some of the most meaningful investment banking transactions in the world. From sovereign debt financings to arranging financing for an impactful greenfield medical supplies manufacturing company in Kenya, to securing a trade finance facility for a leading energy solutions provider whose products often help mitigate the effects of inadequate local power infrastructure in Nigeria, InvestBank Corp. is the investment bank of choice for companies and government entities around the world.

InvestBank Corp. is also a participant in the United Nations Global Compact. InvestBank has established itself as a committed global ESG leader. InvestBank's ESG goals and principles are designed to create significant impact, transformative change, and a more sustainable future. InvestBank's global ESG leadership is evidenced by its partnership with the East African Community ("EAC") and the Africa Battery Initiative. InvestBank is assisting the EAC

and the Africa Battery Initiative with the development and industrialisation of the battery minerals supply chain in the East African Community region.

Along with the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, InvestBank Corp. is working with the EAC and the Africa Battery Initiative to support and promote the 1st East African Battery Minerals Summit. The summit aims to facilitate socioeconomic transformation in East Africa, create new jobs, and provide economic opportunity for East Africans. The East African Community region aims to transform itself into a stable and competitive lower-middle-income region by 2030 through the sustainable use of its natural resources, the promotion of the green economy, and through climate change adaptation and mitigation activities. Recent studies conducted by both East African and international institutions indicate that the DRC, Tanzania, Burundi, and Zambia alone account for a significant percentage of the total global deposits of key battery minerals, including (1) cobalt - 60%, (2) nickel - 40%, (3) lithium - 35%, and (4) graphite - 45%.

InvestBank Corp.'s leading global investment banking operations are overseen by Mr Don Christensen, International Investor's Investment Banker of the Year in the United States of America for 2024. With more than 24 years of industry experience, Mr Christensen delivers expert advice and is a respected and trusted voice in the global investment banking industry.



Don Christensen

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Don Christensen is the founder of InvestBank Corp. Mr Christensen currently serves as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and President of the global investment bank.

In 2000, Mr Christensen began his professional career with Edward Jones, a member of the New York Stock Exchange. Christensen managed the investment firm's La Jolla, California office. During his two years as manager of the Edward Jones La Jolla branch office, Mr Christensen increased the assets under management by 3,700%. Mr Christensen received numerous awards during his tenure at Edward Jones, including the prestigious Edward Jones Regional Leader Award.

Prior to founding InvestBank Corp., Don Christensen founded U.S. Capital, Inc., a merchant bank. He conceived U.S. Capital's asset-backed bond programme, which was secured by life settlement life insurance policies. U.S. Capital's life settlement-backed bonds were designed to be privately placed with qualified institutional buyers. Mr Christensen gained valuable business and management experience and developed many key relationships during the time he served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the merchant bank.

Mr Christensen received congressional and senatorial nominations to the United States Air Force Academy. He also

received one of the few nominations available from then Vice President of the United States Al Gore to attend the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York. Choosing to follow in his late father's footsteps, a decorated and storied career Air Force Officer and pilot, Mr Christensen attended the U.S. Air Force Academy. He attended the esteemed Service Academy during his freshman year of college, where he was an NCAA Division I wrestler and was named to the Service Academy's Athletics Honor List.

Mr Christensen transferred to the University of Oregon for his sophomore and junior years and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in three years. Don Christensen also earned a Juris Doctor degree (i.e., J.D. or Doctor of Law degree) from Purdue Global Law School. Mr Christensen was awarded the Purdue Global Law School Scholarship to attend Purdue Global Law School. Christensen graduated in the top of his class with honours (e.g., Dean's List, outstanding achievement). Mr Christensen's areas of legal expertise include business, corporate, and finance and securities law.

Mr Christensen is a Nevada resident and splits his time between Las Vegas and San Diego. He is involved with numerous businesses, associations, and organizations. Mr Christensen enjoys sports, travelling, music, art, and live events.