



Private Equity Deal of the Year

Baird Capital Partners Asia deal wins award

Baird Capital Partners Asia's investment in Jiangsu Xinghe Valve Co. has received the 2011 Asia Pacific M&A Atlas Private Equity Deal of the Year Award in the Small/Mid Markets category, which represents transactions over \$5 million and less than \$100 million.

"Awards like this demonstrate BCPA's credibility in the marketplace and help us continue to build our brand in Asia," said Huaming Gu, BCPA Partner. "Potential investors and portfolio companies can see this as evidence of the quality of our work, something that will build our reputation for the future."

BCPA invested in Xinghe Valve in 2011. Based in Jiangsu Province, China, Xinghe Valve designs, produces and markets a range of instrumentation valves and fittings for oil and gas, petrochemical, nuclear power plants, waste water and other process control applications.

The Asia Pacific Atlas Awards were created by Global M&A Network four years ago to recognize excellence among industry deals in Australia, China, Japan and all of Southeast Asia. Winners are selected based on deal creativity and performance metrics.

Receiving applause

BCPA's Deal of the Year honor comes on the heels of several other recognitions for Baird Private Equity and its portfolio companies in 2011.

- Baird Capital Partners was named among the top 20 "Consistent Performers" by Private Equity Intelligence Ltd., the fourth year in a row BCP made the list.
- Baird Capital Partners Europe received the Unquote British Private Equity Award for "Small Buyout of the Year."
- Baird Venture Partners' exit of portfolio company Accuri Cytometers was named "Venture Deal of the Year" by the Michigan Venture Capital Association.
- Baird Venture Partners portfolio company Snagajob was named the No. 1 small company to work for in America on the Great Place to Work® annual ranking.
- Baird Capital Partners Asia portfolio company Kindstar was named one of the 2011 Ernst & Young China Most Promising Enterprises.