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Giordano Lombardo named “Best CEO of an Italian Boutique” at the FundsPeople Awards 2026

The Founder, CEO and Co-CIO of Plenisfer Investments SGR has been recognised by asset managers operating in Italy.

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Giordano Lombardo has been named the winner of the **FundsPeople Awards 2026** in the “**Best CEO of an Italian Boutique**” category.

Now in their third edition in Italy, the FundsPeople Awards are the only industry awards to recognise not companies, products or services, but the professionals who contribute to shaping Italy’s asset management industry, celebrating both their professional and personal qualities.

The winners were selected through a vote by more than 200 asset managers operating in Italy, as part of the survey conducted by FundsPeople last April.

The award recognises Giordano Lombardo’s career and his decision, after almost 30 years in the asset management industry, to build a firm with the ambition of championing a different approach to active management, free from benchmark constraints and built around a highly integrated team.

Accepting the award at the gala dinner held in Milan on the evening of 17 September, **Giordano Lombardo** said: *“I share this award with Plenisfer’s co-founders, Mauro Ratto, Diego Franzin and Robert Richardson. Six years ago, we set out to promote a different approach to active management, and, thanks to the work of the entire team, we have built a boutique with a distinctive market positioning. I would therefore like to thank everyone who chose to recognise not only my journey, but also that of the entire Plenisfer team.”*

Plenisfer Investments SGR S.p.A.

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