

# Leggett and Home Hunts hailed at International Property Awards

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Leggett Immobilier and Home Hunts were both hailed as among France's top agents at this year's International Property Awards.

The 2016 European Property Awards, part of the International Awards and now in their 25th year, took place on Thursday 27th October in Mayfair, London. The ceremony saw luxury property specialist Home Hunts hold onto the title of Best Real Estate Agency Website in France. The highly coveted five star award was announced at the glamorous awards ceremony in Grosvenor Square.

Judging is carried out through a meticulous process involving a panel of over 70 experts, covering every aspect of the property business, as well as several members of the House of Lords and the Earl of Liverpool, who is the chairman of the awards.

Tim Swannie (Home Hunts' Director) comments: "We couldn't be more proud to have won. We have a brilliant team and everyone works so hard on the site and the service we offer. It is a real honour to compete with some of the biggest names in the industry and to be awarded the best website award again is just brilliant. It has been a challenging year this year, this is a huge pat on the back for the whole team and a cause for celebration."

Tim went on to say: "We are constantly looking for ways to improve our website and we invest a great deal of time and money into development and marketing because savvy property buyers today do the majority of their initial searching online. We will be announcing some exciting new features on the site next year and launching a new online magazine too due to client demand so we are looking forward to that very much. As well as our team of property professionals, we have a wonderful support team in France and the UK who spend a huge amount of time dedicated to the design, administration and promotion of the website, this award is really for them."

Home Hunts are buyer's agents, specialising in finding luxury homes and investment properties for clients from around the world. The multi-lingual team of over 30 property specialists are based throughout France and cover many markets including the French Riviera, Provence, Languedoc Roussillon, Paris, the Alps and all of South West France. Home Hunts searches the entire market for clients and helps to guide them through the whole buying process. Home Hunts also offers the service in Monaco, London and New York and have recently launched in Marbella, Spain.

Leggett, meanwhile, walked away with the title of Best Estate Agency in France.

Chairman Trevor Leggett comments: "This is the fourth year running that we have won the primary award – a period that has seen our turnover grow from €4.4m to over €11m. To do this, whilst still retaining industry-leading service levels, is a huge achievement. This award is recognition of the exemplary job that our staff and agents do day in and day out. For the first time, we also entered the Best Real Estate Marketing category and scooped the top prize too."

Both agents' success arrives as overseas buyers show signs of returning to France this year, thanks to record low mortgage rates, combined with relatively low property prices.

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