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Awards 2019

Fundraise of the Year (Americas)

Blackstone

Blackstone closed on the largest-ever global private equity fund in September, raising \$26 billion of committed capital for Blackstone Capital Partners VIII, more than 30 times the size of the firm's first private equity fund, which founder Stephen Schwarzman raised with co-founder Pete Peterson in 1987. It took about a year to raise the fund, which was seeking as much as \$25 billion. BCP VIII is 26 percent larger than its 2014-vintage predecessor.