

New Appointment to CCAF Executive Committee

We are pleased to announce that the CCAF Board of Governors has appointed David W. Smith, FCA, Chairman, PricewaterhouseCoopers, to the Executive Committee of the Board.

Mr. Smith was admitted to Canadian partnership with Coopers & Lybrand in 1974, and became the Managing Partner, Toronto Area Offices in 1990, Vice Chairman – Ontario Region in 1992 and was elected Chairman and Chief Executive Partner of the Canadian Firm in 1997. He became a Fellow Chartered Accountant in 2000. Globally David has overseen the Caribbean practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP since 1991. He was appointed to the Firm's Global Board and its Executive Committee in 1997. He is presently Chairman of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Canada.

Mr. Smith joins Executive Committee members: Guy Breton, FCA, Auditor General of Quebec; Denis Desautels, FCA, Auditor General of Canada, Sir Graham Day, Counsel, Stewart MacKelvey Stirling Scales, and Chairman, Hydro One Inc., V. Peter Harder, Deputy Minister, Industry Canada and Peter Valentine, Auditor General of Alberta.

Click here <http://www.ccaf-fcvi.com/html/english/visitors/about/board.html> for a complete list of CCAF Governors.

Enhanced Mission Statement & Strategic Profile

The Foundation's Board of Governors has approved a new, enhanced mission statement and strategic profile. The new mission statement underscores CCAF's commitment to achieving excellence in governance, accountability, management and audit in the public sector. It elaborates on CCAF's vision, noting that "Governance and accountability is a matter of national interest.... We believe that the most important benefits of achieving excellence in governance and accountability are better performance and stewardship".

The new mission profile also provides a comprehensive and expanded description of what constitutes our interest in the public sector — a wide spectrum of governments, institutions and organizations which create, deliver or regulate activities that are undertaken in support of the broadly defined health, educational, social or economic well being of Canadians.

Click here <http://www.ccaf-fcvi.com/html/english/visitors/about/index.html> to read our full mission statement and strategic profile.

CCAF Supports Voluntary Sector Initiative

We are delighted to be taking part in a joint initiative to improve the capacity of voluntary organizations to evaluate their work and communicate their effectiveness to their funders, stakeholders and the public. The "Voluntary Sector Evaluation Research Project" (VSERP), is a joint effort of the Canadian Centre for Philanthropy, Carleton University, United Way, YMCA Canada, Volunteer Canada, Max Bell Foundation, and CCAF.

The project has five main phases:

1. Assessing the capacity and needs of voluntary organizations
2. Developing recommendations for building evaluation capacity and resources
3. Implementing recommended solutions
4. Creating local demonstration projects
5. Dissemination, knowledge transfer and capacity building

VSERP coordinators welcome comments from those who know of evaluation tools or approaches to examine program or organizational effectiveness that might be helpful.

Click here <http://www.ccaf-fcvi.com/vserp.html> for a brief description of this project and how to contact the project's coordinators.

New Website Resource for International Fellowship Program Graduates

The International Fellowship Program offers Fellowships to senior members of legislative audit offices in selected countries and brings them to Canada for training in the concepts of comprehensive auditing and the principles underlying accountability and good management and governance. The Program transfers methodology to people of influence in developing countries to help improve governance and management for the better use of resources. Financed by the Canadian International Development Agency, the program combines work assignments with the Office of the Auditor General of Canada and the Office of the Auditor General of Quebec, and educational programs offered by CCAF and the audit offices.

To enhance CCAF's ongoing support to Fellows who have graduated and further broaden the scope of the Program, we have introduced "IGradNet"—an electronic bulletin board designed to facilitate networking, and communication between the 120 CCAF International Graduate Fellows across the world. IGradNet offers an email directory and allows users to exchange documents and the opportunity to discuss challenges, exchange information and provide assistance online.. Additional features will be added to IGradNet including on-line surveys and on-line chats with invited speakers.

It is our hope that IGradNet will be a useful tool that will help Graduate Fellows to maximize the impact of the knowledge and experience they acquired during their Fellowship and reinforce the success of the program.

Six senior legislative audit practitioners are currently participating in the 2000/2001 program. They are:

Leonardo Humberto Etcheverry
Argentina

Horacio Saboia Vieira
Brazil

Ximena Mura Alvarez
Chile

Bato Ali
Philippines

Nafy Ngom Keita
Senegal

Jaruwan Ruangswadipong
Thailand