#### **STEP Canada Insider**

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#### Welcome to the STEP Canada Insider!

With access to the monthly STEP Insider, readers will receive the latest news about branch activity, national conference updates, practitioner opportunities, education, and more!

### **Practitioner Opportunities**



STEP Canada's <u>Practitioner Opportunities</u> offers an electronic recruitment resource for the trust and estate industry. We are offering this service to all STEP members at discounted rates!

#### **Education Center**



Congratulations to all student award winners who were presented their prizes during the 16th National Conference.



L-R: Paul van Galder, Claudia Sgro, Katy Basi, Rishma Jessa, Jagruti Gandhi, Justin Hoffman.

# 16th National Conference Recap

The STEP Canada 16th National Conference took place on June 16–17 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The conference was a huge success, with attendance swelling above expectations with 600 registrants – an overflow/satellite room was arranged to comfortably seat the full delegation for plenary sessions.

Apart from the full technical program, some highlights of the event included the launch of the inaugural mobile conference app; presentation of the Michael Cadesky Volunteer of the Year award to Pamela Cross;

and the evening entertainment by a murder mystery troupe whose 'victim' was Canada Revenue Agency speaker/representative, Phil Kohnen.

The Conference met with much praise from attendees, with one delegate commenting "I am not sure how you can continue to outdo yourselves. This is the best national conference in Canada!" Next year's conference is set to take place on Thursday and Friday, June 18–19, 2015.

Please note that CPD Certificates will be sent out to attendees in the coming weeks.

The CRA Round Table Final Consolidated Q&A's were sent out to all members yesterday. You can access the PDF <a href="here">here</a> or visit the <a href="here">www.step.ca</a> Press Room at your convenience.



STEP Canada's 16th National Conference - Plenary Session

### STEP Worldwide Council Nominations

The deadline for STEP Canada nominations for the STEP Worldwide Council is Friday August 8, 2014. Click <a href="here">here</a> for full details.

## Announcing: STEP Canada's Certificate in Estate and Trust Administration

Built and endorsed by Canada's leading trust companies, the new STEP Canada certificate in estate and trust administration (CETA) is a superior educational offering. CETA will be of value to both individuals who want to advance their careers and employers who want to seize the many business opportunities afforded by today's changing demographics.

STEP's self-study online CETA program consists of three courses and a final examination. The program also provides tutorial support, self-assessment quizzes, and social media networking. Students who enroll in the CETA program are expected to finish it within two years and achieve a minimum grade of 60 percent. Individual course registration is also available. There is no membership fee.

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