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More Indigenous Canadians to obtain the distinction of attending *Harvard Business School* in 2017

A unique partnership between AFOA Canada and Harvard Business School (HBS) will see forty-six AFOA Canada members from across Canada attend and obtain an Executive Program certificate from the Harvard Business School in Boston, Massachusetts, USA.

The program, *Leading People and Investing to Build Sustainable Communities* applies the HBS case study method to teach participants how to effectively understand thought leading problem solving methods and how to apply them in a community context. It covers four key pillars of effective community investment through essential governance techniques, entrepreneurial finance, negotiations and change management.

"We are really excited to offer this program, in partnership with HBS, to our members. It will greatly broaden the knowledge and expertise of participants, and in turn enhance the governance of investments at the community level," says AFOA Canada President and CEO Terry Goodtrack. *"Our goals were to ensure we had as much regional balance and gender balance in the participants attending the program".*

About AFOA Canada

AFOA Canada is a membership driven organization and was founded as a not-for-profit association in 1999. The organization supports Aboriginal professionals in managing and governing their communities and organizations through a focus on enhancing finance, management and leadership practices and skills. AFOA Canada's premise is that the key to economic prosperity and creating a better life for Canada's Aboriginal people is in improving the management skills of those responsible for the stewardship of Aboriginal resources.

AFOA Canada is the centre of excellence and innovation in Indigenous finance, management and leadership. AFOA Canada is all about assisting Indigenous professionals working in the areas of finance, management, and leadership. It is the organization's mandate to build capacity at the community level by living up to AFOA Canada's main tenant of "building a community of professionals." Our products and programs are developed by Aboriginal professionals for Aboriginal Professionals.

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