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THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FACILITATORS (IAF) ANNOUNCES NEW MEMBERS TO ITS HALL OF FAME

Worldwide - 19 October 2015 - The International Association of Facilitators (IAF) is pleased to announce the induction of the following people into its Hall of Fame:

- John Butcher (Canada)
- Malin Moren (Europe, Middle East & North Africa)
- Larry Philbrook (Asia)
- Rhonda Tanks (Oceania)
- Sunny Walker (USA)

The Hall of Fame recognises individuals who: have contributed to our field of practice; have made 'significant contributions' to the field of facilitation through publication, promotion, etc.; and who have shown a high level of dedication and service to the international association. The individuals named above have been nominated and received unanimous agreement from the IAF Board of Directors as being worthy of this, our Association's highest distinction. The bios for the inductees are attached.

The IAF is a professional association that sets internationally accepted industry standards, provides accreditation, supports a community of practice, advocates and educates on the power of facilitation and embraces the diversity of facilitators and methods of facilitation around the world. Our mission is to grow the community of practice for all those who facilitate, establish internationally accepted professional standards, build credibility and promote the value of facilitation around the world. IAF members are committed to the IAF values and code of ethics and to promoting the power of facilitation worldwide.

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BACKGROUND:

John Butcher:

John is a Certified Professional Facilitator and a past IAF Canada Regional Director. John has been a member of the Association for over 15 years and was instrumental in the development of the IAF Code of Ethics. John has been part of two IAF conference planning teams, initiated the premier IAF Ottawa Chapter events and has been a facilitation mentor to many IAF members.

Malin Moren:

Malin is a Certified Professional Facilitator and has been a member of the Association for over 12 years. Malin is co-founder of Facilitation Days, a series highly successful events in Goteborg and Stockholm Sweden, designed to promote the power of facilitation. As a behavioural scientist, Malin has conducted significant research in the area of facilitation and effective group processes, producing articles and publications to advance knowledge in the field. Malin is co-chair of the 2015 IAF EMENA Regional Conference and a well-known and successful mentor of Facilitators throughout Europe.

Larry Philbrook:

Larry has been facilitating in multiple languages and in various cultural environments for over forty years. Larry is a founding member of IAF and is both a Certified Professional Facilitator and a Certified ToP Facilitator. Larry facilitated the Ukraine Peace Talks and has conducted many high impact multi-national/multi-cultural processes around the world. Larry is known throughout the IAF community as a selfless and highly qualified mentor, and has presented at and been part of the planning team for a number of IAF conferences.

Rhonda Tranks:

Rhonda is a Certified Professional Facilitator and has held a number of leadership roles within the Association. Rhonda was part of the planning team for two successful conferences in the Oceania Region and in the creation of the active IAF Victoria Chapter. Rhonda is an active promoter of the IAF and the power of facilitation on social media and is a regular presenter at IAF conferences. Rhonda is also an active facilitation mentor.



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Sunny Walker:

Sunny is a Founding Member of the IAF, a Certified Professional Facilitator, a Certified ToP Facilitator and a Certification Assessor for both IAF and ICA. Sunny has held multiple leadership roles within the Association, as a committee volunteer and as a member of the Board of Directors. She is a regular contributor to IAF publications and an accomplished mentor of facilitators around the world. Sunny has been a pioneer in the field of virtual facilitation.