

Building a Nation that Values Diversity: Winners of “Canada’s Best Diversity Employers” for 2015 Announced Today

TORONTO, March 31, 2015: When you ask Canadians what “diversity” means to them, you are likely elicit a wide range of responses. Each of us has a different view of what diversity means in practical terms, but there’s one thing everyone agrees on: making people from diverse backgrounds feel at home has become a value that runs deep in the fabric of Canadian society. Today, the winners of the annual *Canada’s Best Diversity Employers* competition were announced, recognizing the organizations that do the most to promote diversity and inclusion in the workplace.



“Promoting diversity and inclusiveness is one of Canada’s defining values,” says Kristina Leung, lead editor on the *Canada’s Best Diversity Employers* competition and Senior Editor at Mediacorp Canada Inc., which manages the competition. “Employers understand that they have an important role to play in making workplaces open to Canadians from a wide variety of backgrounds – and that their organizations are stronger when workplaces reflect the diversity of Canadian society.”

Now entering its ninth year, the *Canada’s Best Diversity Employers* competition recognizes the leading organizations when it comes to creating inclusive workplaces for employees from five diverse groups: women; visible minorities; persons with disabilities; Aboriginal peoples; and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) peoples. Employers are selected by the editors at Mediacorp based on submissions to the annual Canada’s Top 100 Employers, now in its 16th year.

“These employers make inclusiveness part of their organizational DNA,” says Richard Yerema, Managing Editor of the Canada’s Top 100 Employers competition. “They encourage employees to ‘bring their whole self’ to work, creating an environment where employees feel valued and welcome. As Canadians, we often don’t realize how much progress we have made toward an inclusive society, especially compared to many areas of the world, and these employers are showing the way.”

This year’s winners were announced in a special magazine published this morning in The Globe and Mail. Detailed reasons for selection were released today on the competition homepage: <http://www.canadastop100.com/diversity>

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CANADA'S BEST DIVERSITY EMPLOYERS
2015 Winners

Accenture Inc. <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	National Bank of Canada <i>(Montréal QC)</i>
Agrium Inc. <i>(Calgary AB)</i>	Newalta Corporation <i>(Calgary AB)</i>
BC Hydro <i>(Vancouver BC)</i>	Northwest Territories, Govt. of <i>(Yellowknife NT)</i>
BCIT <i>(Burnaby BC)</i>	Ontario Public Service <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	Ottawa, City of <i>(Ottawa ON)</i>
BMO Financial Group <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	Procter & Gamble Inc. <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Boeing Canada Operations Ltd. <i>(Winnipeg MB)</i>	PWC / PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Business Develop. Bank of Canada <i>(Montréal QC)</i>	RBC <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Cameco Corporation <i>(Saskatoon SK)</i>	Red River College <i>(Winnipeg MB)</i>
CAMH <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	Rogers Communications Inc. <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Capgemini Canada Inc. <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	Ryerson University <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Capital District Health Authority <i>(Halifax NS)</i>	Saskatchewan Government Insurance <i>(Regina SK)</i>
Cargill Limited <i>(Winnipeg MB)</i>	Saskatchewan Public Service <i>(Regina SK)</i>
CIBC <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	Saskatoon Health Region <i>(Saskatoon SK)</i>
CMHC <i>(Ottawa ON)</i>	Saskatoon, City of <i>(Saskatoon SK)</i>
ConocoPhillips Canada <i>(Calgary AB)</i>	SaskPower <i>(Regina SK)</i>
Corus Entertainment Inc. <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	SaskTel <i>(Regina SK)</i>
Deloitte LLP <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	Scotiabank <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Dentons Canada LLP <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	Shell Canada Limited <i>(Calgary AB)</i>
Edmonton, City of <i>(Edmonton AB)</i>	Sodexo Canada Ltd. <i>(Burlington ON)</i>
Enbridge Inc. <i>(Calgary AB)</i>	Stikeman Elliott LLP <i>(Montréal QC)</i>
Health Canada / Santé Canada <i>(Ottawa ON)</i>	TD Bank Group <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Hewlett-Packard (Canada) Co. <i>(Mississauga ON)</i>	TELUS Corporation <i>(Vancouver BC)</i>
Home Depot of Canada Inc. <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	University of British Columbia <i>(Vancouver BC)</i>
Jazz Aviation LP <i>(Dartmouth NS)</i>	University of Toronto <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
KPMG LLP <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	University of Victoria <i>(Victoria BC)</i>
Lafarge Canada Inc. <i>(Calgary AB)</i>	Vancouver Island Health Authority <i>(Victoria BC)</i>
Loblaw Companies Limited <i>(Brampton ON)</i>	Vancouver, City of <i>(Vancouver BC)</i>
Manitoba Hydro <i>(Winnipeg MB)</i>	William Osler Health System <i>(Brampton ON)</i>
Manitoba Public Insurance Corp. <i>(Winnipeg MB)</i>	Xerox Canada Inc. <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
Manitoba, Government of <i>(Winnipeg MB)</i>	YMCA of Greater Toronto <i>(Toronto ON)</i>
McCarthy Tétrault LLP <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	York, Regional Municipality of <i>(Newmarket ON)</i>
Mount Sinai Hospital <i>(Toronto ON)</i>	