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Congratulations to the 2018 Achievement Award Recipients





In 1992, to further enhance its multidisciplinary and global approach to family enterprise advising, consulting, and research, FFI began to establish awards for professional achievement.

Today there are four: **Richard Beckhard Practice Award**, **Barbara Hollander Award**, **Interdisciplinary Award**, **International Award**. These prestigious awards are the pinnacles of achievement in the field, and we are pleased to announce this year's recipients. All awards will be presented at the FFI Global Conference at the Park Plaza Riverbank hotel in London in October.

Richard Beckhard Practice Award: Kirby Rosplock

Kirby Rosplock, PhD, is a recognized consultant, researcher, innovator, adviser, author, facilitator, and speaker in the family business and family office realms. As the founder of Tamarind Partners, Inc., a research, advisory, and consultancy practice that works with families, advisers, and institutions connected to the family office market, she provides leading edge insights and knowledge into the family office domain. Her early career started as a broker-dealer working with accredited investors who typically made their wealth in a family business. Then, for nearly a decade, she was director of research at GenSpring Family Office.

Kirby is a graduate of Middlebury College, Marquette University, and has a PhD from Saybrook University, where she focused on change management as it applies to affluent families. Her passion and love of writing inspired her to write articles, research studies, and books including *The Complete Family Office Handbook, A Guide for Affluent Families and the Advisors Who Serve Them* (Wiley/Bloomberg) and *The Complete Direct Investing Handbook, A Guide for Family Offices, Accredited Investors and Qualified Purchasers* (Wiley/Bloomberg).

Dr. Rosplock is an FFI Fellow and a member of the GEN faculty. A former board member of Family Enterprise USA, a co-trustee of the Harbeck Family Foundation, and serving on the advisory board of Merton Venture Philanthropy, she will be presenting as part of “The Jousting between the Family and the Business Needs. Who will win?” session at the [FFI London conference](#) in October.

Go [here](#) to see the complete list of recipients of the Richard Beckhard Practice Award.



Kirby Rosplock

The Richard Beckhard Practice Award was established in 1992 to honor a founding FFI member and distinguished practitioner in the family business field. It recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of family business practice.

Barbara Hollander Award: Caro Rock

Caro Rock is the publisher of *Family Business* magazine, one of America’s leading journals on the challenges facing family-run enterprises. She is the daughter-in-law of the magazine’s founder, the late Milton Rock. An experienced publisher, she holds a degree from Tulane University.

Family Business is run by a family company for family companies. It targets thriving multigenerational North American family companies and has a circulation of more than 6,800 family company owners, leaders, and shareholders. Family Business Publishing Company is a multigenerational media and investment firm and is the publisher of the highly regarded 11-volume *Family Business Handbook Series*, an in-depth and essential reference work on key family business topics.

The magazine sponsors biannual Transition conferences that offer multigenerational family company members the chance to meet and network on shared challenges and opportunities as they seek to perpetuate the business and the family.

Go [here](#) to see the complete list of recipients of the Barbara Hollander Award.



Caro Rock



Family Business Magazine founder Milton L. Rock (seated, left) with son Bob (seated, right), grandson Bill (standing, left) and daughter-in-law Caro in 2014



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The Barbara Hollander Award was created in 1995 to honor the late founder and first president of FFI by perpetuating her profound interest in family business and her love for education and learning.

Interdisciplinary Award: Andrew Keyt

Andrew Keyt, FFI Fellow, is president and founder of Keyt Consulting, a private firm that assists family enterprises with succession and strategic planning, dealing with family conflict and communication, working with adult sibling / cousin teams, and executing emergency management transitions. The former executive director of the Loyola University Chicago Family Business Center, where he now serves as clinical professor, he is also the president of Family Business Network – North America (FBN-NA), a leading network for business-owning families worldwide.

Andrew is the author of *Myths and Mortals: Family Business Leadership and Succession*, a widely acclaimed speaker, and a regular contributor through research, writing, and popular press articles. He is a regular contributor to *Family Business Magazine*, *Campden FB*, and other business publications.

He will be presenting on “To Share or Not to Share: How will the shared economy impact the family business?” at the [FFI London conference](#) in October.

He is a graduate of Kenyon College, Northwestern University, and Kennesaw State University.

Go [here](#) to see the complete list of winners of the Interdisciplinary Award.



Andrew Keyt

Established in 1999, the Interdisciplinary Award recognizes outstanding achievement in the advancement of interdisciplinary services to business families.

International Award: The El Agamy Family

Dr. Hischam El Agamy has been working with family businesses as a strategic education solutions provider for almost 30 years. Ten years ago, he was joined in his business by his two eldest daughters Farida and Ramia, and three years ago his youngest daughter Shereen joined the family business.

In 2008, he felt compelled to make a more marked commitment to the family business knowledge field by founding *Tharawat Magazine*, a global publication for business families. Since then, the magazine – a quarterly print magazine, website, and podcast — has published more than 1000 articles featuring family enterprises from more than 90 countries. In 2017, its circulation included 2.5 million readers from 50+ countries. In addition to the magazine, the El Agamy family business group established the Tharawat Family Business Forum, a premier network for family businesses in the Middle East, as well as the Women in Family Business Initiative that is active globally.

The El Agamys are an immigrant family based in Switzerland. Dr. El Agamy is of Egyptian origin and moved to Switzerland at a young age with his wife Antoinette, who moved there from the Netherlands.

Go [here](#) to see the complete list of recipients of the International Award.



(left to right) Farida, Ramia,
and Shereen El Agamy



The El Agamy Family: (left to right) Farida,
Shereen, Ramia, Antoinette, and Dr. Hisham El
Agamy



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Established in 2000, the International Award recognizes an individual or organization for outstanding achievement in furthering the understanding of family business issues which occur between two or more countries.

Congratulations to all!

Thanks to this year's Achievement Awards Committee: Panikkos Poutziouris, chair, Denise Federer, Alberto Gimeno, Daniela Montemerlo, and Preston Root.

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May 23

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London Regional
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