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# Congratulations to the Recipients of the 2020 Global Education Network (GEN) Scholarships

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e are pleased to announce the 2020 winners of the FFI GEN scholarships and to thank the generous sponsors of these five awards for leading the way in ensuring that professionals in the field receive the outstanding interdisciplinary education that FFI has become known for globally.

## **CRYSTAL, THE PRIVATE GROUP OF ALLIANT SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship is for next-gen family business members who would like to formalize their learning on the family enterprise.

#### 2020 RECIPIENT



Brandon Addison

**Brandon Addison** is the founder of Signpost Collective and serves as a leadership and strategy consultant for Core Ventures in Denver, Co. He has more than 10 years experience working with a variety of government, private, nonprofit, and family enterprises. He holds a Bachelor of Psychology and International Affairs from the University of Georgia as well as various certifications and is eager to join and learn from the broader FFI professional community.

**Crystal, The Private Group of Alliant** is one of the world's leading strategic risk and insurance advisors.

## de VISSCHER & CO. SCHOLARSHIP

In 2010, to celebrate its 20th year as a company devoted to advising family enterprises, de Visscher & Co. established a GEN scholarship for next generation consultants and advisors in the field.

#### 2020 RECIPIENT



Catalina Arango

**Catalina Arango** works at Lansberg Gersick & Associates as a junior associate, supporting families in the design and implementation of plans to ensure the continuity of their businesses throughout generational transitions. Catalina holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, a Master's degree in Family Advisory in Non-Clinical Environments, and has just earned her International MBA from Instituto de Empresa in Madrid. She feels FFI is the next step to continue growing on the passionate field of family business and is hoping to build interesting and constructive conversations with classmates and professors.

**de Visscher & Co.** is an independent financial adviser to business owning families and closely held businesses worldwide.

## **WAESCHE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is intended for those in need of financial support to take the next step in their professional development within the field of family enterprise. Preference is given to applicants who research and aid in the understanding of the inescapable influence of money on the family enterprise.

#### 2020 RECIPIENT



**Tsitsi Mutendi** is a well-versed, award winning business woman with over 12 years experience, building her own successful businesses. Tsitsi is recognised globally for her business acumen and world class delivery. She is currently committed to working with African Family Businesses transition from generation wealth to generation legacies.

Tsitsi Mutendi

D. Randolph Waesche, FFI Fellow, is president and CEO of **Resource Management, LLC**, a Louisiana Registered Investment Advisory firm. Randy and his firm are long-time sponsors of the *Family Business Review* and the *FBR* Best Reviewer Award in addition to his family's generous support of this scholarship.

## **ALTOUQ GROUP SCHOLARSHIP**

The annual scholarship aims to support family business practitioners or Next-Gen family members, committed to the field of family enterprise.

#### 2020 RECIPIENT



Kevin Au

**Kevin Au**, PhD, CFBA/CFWA co-founded the CUHK Centre for Entrepreneurship and serves as the current Director. He is also Director of the Centre for Family Business. His research interests are international management, entrepreneurship, family business, and social network. Besides research and consulting, he serves as a director for the Hong Kong Business Angel Network Ltd. (HKBAN) and International Study of Entrepreneurship Education Outcomes (ISSEO), and he co-leads the FFI chapter of The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

The **AlTouq Group** is a Saudi Arabian Family Office established in the 1970's as an investment vehicle for the AlTouq family. It has grown into a sophisticated local and international investor with a global revenue generating asset base.

## FITZPATRICK & FRANCIS FAMILY BUSINESS CONTINUITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship, for those who wish to pursue an FFI GEN Advanced Certificate, was established in 2013 to further its mission of ensuring that family businesses receive the best possible advice as they plan to successfully transfer ownership and leadership of their enterprise from one generation to the next.

#### 2020 RECIPIENT



Navneet Bhatnagar

**Navneet Bhatnagar**, PhD, CFBA is Senior Researcher at the Thomas Schmidheiny Centre for Family Enterprise, Indian School of Business, in Hyderabad, India. He specializes in management science research, specifically in family business research. His nearly two decades of experience comprise business management, education, research, and advising. He was the 2018 recipient of the de Visscher & Co. Scholarship, and he is the author of several précis of *Family Business Review* articles for *FFI Practitioner*.

**Fitzpatrick & Francis Family Business Continuity Foundation** is dedicated to providing financial support for the training and education of family business advisors either through grants directly to individuals or to institutions that provide education and training to individuals.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS THANKS TO A 2020 FFI BOARD INITIATIVE

Gertie M. Agraz-Boeneker ASYMETRIA, Mexico

Magdalena Diaz Le-Fort Asociación Empresas Familiares (AEF), Chile

**Oyunbileg Erendoo** Corporate Governance Development Center, Mongolia

> **Bonnie Gibbon** Family Enterprise Therapy

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## **PAST RECIPIENTS**

VIEW COMPLETE LIST OF PAST GEN SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

## **SPONSOR A SCHOLARSHIP**

Interested in sponsoring a GEN scholarship? Please contact **Susan Gabert** for details on creating a named GEN scholarship.

## **THE GEN PROGRAM**

Working from home? If like so many others, you are getting used to working virtually, this is a great time to enroll in the FFI GEN program! All online and ready when you are. Q2 enrollment ends on May 31.

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# FFI On Monday

**MAY 25** 

Changing Demographics in Family Businesses: Highlights from the STEP 2019 Quantitative Survey

Presenter: Andrea Calabrò is the global academic director of the STEP Project

#### **JUNE 1**

Rising to Meet the Moment: Helping Clients Give Well in This Crisis

Presenter: Mae Hong, vice president for Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors

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## **PREVIOUS EDITION**



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, and International Award. These prestigious awards are the pinnacles of achievement in the field, and we are pleased to announce this year's recipients. The awards will be formally presented as part of the FFI annual global conference in late October.

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