

## Congratulations to AFOA BC on their 20th Anniversary

On September 15, 2016, AFOA BC celebrated its 20th Anniversary by hosting a gala dinner at Musqueam Cultural Centre in Vancouver. With numerous First Nations leaders, government officials and partners in attendance, AFOA BC celebrated the accomplishments and achievements of those we serve, First Nation communities in BC.

Founded in 1996, inspired and created by Band Administrative and Finance leaders in response to BC First Nations request to have a united voice for those working in the critical fields of finance and administration, AFOA BC became the first organization of its kind in Canada. AFOA BC was the catalyst in the creation of a national organization, AFOA Canada, which has over 1,400 members country wide.

AFOA BC supports First Nations communities and the dedicated in-



Mike Mearns, General Manager, AFOA BC; Trevor Morrison, President, AFOA BC; and Chris Sicotte, Chair, AFOA Canada



The group of AFOA BC members who have been members for more than ten years consecutively.

dividuals working in the fields of finance, administration and governance through workshops, conferences and resource materials designed to build knowledge and skills on financial literacy, governance and community development.

At the gala dinner, 52 of the 260 BC members were recognized for having been members for more than ten years consecutively. AFOA BC would like to send a huge thanks to all members, volunteers, staff, board and sponsors for making AFOA BC the dynamic, relevant organization it is today. ◀



### FIRST NATIONS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

December 7 - 9, 2016 | Coast Coal Harbour Hotel, Vancouver, BC

#### Program Highlights

- » What a CFO needs to know about property taxes
- » Canada Revenue Agency & Auditing of FN Organizations
- » Investing in the stock market
- » Preparing your nation for consulting with companies that want to do business with you
- » Cyber Security: What is phishing, spear phishing, whaling and how to prevent?

Early Bird Deadline is November 18, 2016  
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