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Best in class! Highest growth potential entrepreneurs chosen

Bathurst, NB – Seventeen high growth potential entrepreneurs were chosen to participate in the fifth year of the Wallace McCain Institute’s prestigious Entrepreneurial Leaders Program (ELP™).

“It was not an easy decision to select these participants from the many exceptional entrepreneurs,” said Nancy Mathis, Executive Director of the Wallace McCain Institute for Business Leadership at the University of New Brunswick. Thirty-three finalists were interviewed from a pool of 385 nominated entrepreneurs from Ontario to NFLD.

“After 3 years as a judge, it thrills me to see the quality and quantity of the high growth potential entrepreneurs we have in this region” said Francis McGuire, chairman of the institute’s Management Committee and CEO of Major Drilling in Moncton.

Seven judges interviewed the finalists over two days and then after a series of activities reminiscent of a reality TV show, the envelopes were distributed to the finalists which announced the selection. This is the first year that entrepreneurs from PEI were chosen.

“It’s starting to sink in,” commented H  l  ne Eusanio, one of the successful finalists. “It is such a privilege to have the opportunity to get involved with the WMI and this amazing group. I look forward to many enlightening and empowering discussions.”

The participants in the ELP™ are entrepreneurs who are striving to grow their businesses to new heights. The cohort will meet for monthly sessions and will benefit from guest speakers, tailored workshops and the opportunity to share their experiences and insights. This group joins a thriving alumni that has committed to meet quarterly for the rest of their lives.

To learn more about the program, please visit www.wallacemccaininstitute.com.

Patrick Albert	Acadia Group of Companies, Dieppe
Justin Beaulieu	Beaulieu Plumbing and Mechanical, Edmundston
Ren�� Blanchard	Blanchard Group, Dunlop
Chris Boudreau	IBL – ClinicServer, Saint John
Glenn Cox	Zengo Inc, Stratford
H��l��ne Eusanio	Atlantic Compressed Air Ltd, Moncton

Donnie Fillmore	Atlantic Pacific Transport, Clairville
Marc Gallant	FIC Holdings Inc. (group of companies), Rosairville
Crystal Lavallée	ViTRAK Systems Inc, Charlottetown
Mathieu LeBlanc	ACFOR Forestry Management, Cocagne
Ian Lucas	Scene Sharp Technologies Incorporated, Fredericton
Nick Matheson	One to One Wellness Centre, Halifax
Yan Simard	Zaptap, Fredericton
Paul Simmonds	Robert Simmonds Inc, Fredericton
Cathy Sweet	Comztar Inc, Moncton
Dave Veale	Vision Coaching Inc, Saint John
Lisa Williams	Unicare Home Health Care Inc, Miramichi



CAPTION: Front row, from the left: Patrick Albert, Lisa Williams, Cathy Sweet, H  l  ne Eusanio, Paul Simmonds, Crystal Lavall  e, Ian Lucas, Donnie Fillmore Back row: Chris Boudreau, Mathieu LeBlanc, Nick Matheson, Yan Simard, Justin Beaulieu, Marc Gallant, Glenn Cox, Dave Veale, Ren   Blanchard

About the G. Wallace F. McCain Institute

The focus of the G. Wallace F. McCain Institute at the University of New Brunswick is to support the next generation of senior business leaders in NB and surrounding region to meet the complex challenges facing the region. The program is a catalyst for shifting the business culture

and advancing the values of entrepreneurship and innovation. The development and deepening of relationships and networks is fundamental to how the Institute delivers on its mandate.

Programs range in depth – from a very intensive cohort program where high potential leaders will interact in a series of experiences, to one-off workshops and lectures on themes relevant to growing business. The program uses innovative experiential pedagogy to convene people, share best practices, assist in the application of learning, and inspire change. Current members of the institute’s program come from around the Atlantic Provinces.

Management Committee and Judges:

Francis McGuire	Executive Chairman, Major Drilling Group International Inc
Greg Kealey	Vice-President Research, University of New Brunswick
Andrée Savoie	President & Managing Partner, Acadian Construction
Dhirendra Shukla	Associate Professor and Dr. J. Herbert Smith/ACOA Chair in Technology Management and Entrepreneurship, faculty of Engineering, UNB
Giles Oland	Founder and CEO, ShoreEast Technologies Inc
Marc Poirier	President, Timberparts Ltd & Globus Properties
Paul Johnson	Partner, Pivotal Input and Executive in Residence at the Wallace McCain Institute

Fellows :

Gerry Pond	Chairman, Mariner Partners
Robert Austin	Dean of Business Administration, UNB Fredericton
Françoise Morissette	Industrial Relations Centre, Queen’s University
Derek Oland	Executive Chairman, Moosehead Breweries Limit

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