



## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM IAP2 FEDERATION

The IAP2 Board is pleased to announce the selection of **Iris Almeida-Côté** as the new Executive Director. Iris will be commencing her duties on Friday, May 17, 2013.

Iris has for 30 years, occupied senior management positions in governmental and non-governmental organizations in the fields of education, strengthening democratic institutions, promotion of the rule of law and good governance. She is experienced in financial risk management and strategic business planning. A dynamic communicator, she brings rigour and sound financial management to the organizations she leads. She is a results-oriented leader, fluent in French, English and Spanish. She has a demonstrated track record of managing organizations in a context of diversity and is a trainer in Board Governance.

Iris Almeida-Côté holds a Master's Degree in International Law from the *Université du Québec à Montréal* (2001) as well as a Master's Degree in Sociology from the University of Bombay (1982). She received her advanced management training at the McGill Executive Institute in Montreal and at the Canadian Centre for Management in Ottawa. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Saint-Justine Hospital and Chair of the Financial Audit Committee. She is Treasurer on the Board of Directors of Lawyers without Borders, member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Society of Association Executives, member of the *Conseil interculturel* of the City of Montreal and member of the Orientation Committee of the *Institut d'études internationales de Montréal* at UQAM. She served as President of the jury of the YWCA Women of Distinction Awards, member of the jury of the Canadian Internet Registration Authority's Impact Awards, and member of the jury of the Toyota Earth prize.

In 2011 and in 2008, Iris Almeida-Côté was the laureate of Canada's 100 Most Powerful Women Award presented by the Women's Executive Network. In 2008, she was the laureate of the *Prix d'Écellence* presented by the *Réseau des femmes d'affaires du Québec* and in September 2009, she received the YWCA Women of Distinction Award.

Please join me in welcoming Iris to IAP2. Her email is [Iris@iap2.org](mailto:Iris@iap2.org), she is looking forward to meeting and working with many of you.

Sincerely,

Nomi Muthialu  
IAP2 Presiding Member  
May 16, 2013