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IEDC's Emily Brown Wins 40 Under 40 Award in Economic Development

WASHINGTON, DC (February 24, 2015) - Emily Brown, Economic Development Specialist for the [International Economic Development Council](#) has been selected as a winner in the economic development profession's 40 Under 40 awards, the only award of its kind recognizing young talent in the economic development profession.

A five-member selection committee chose the winners from a pool of more than 1-7 candidates based on their exceptional contributions to the economic development industry. The award's program was managed by Development Counsellors International (DCI), a New York-based firm that specializes in economic development marketing.

"Emily typifies some of the young stars that IEDC have now and have had in the past, said Jeffrey Finkle, President of IEDC. "Like many economic developers she works hard 9-- and then advocates for good economic development and good development policy in her own time. We couldn't be more proud."

Emily is an economic development specialist at IEDC, where she manages the in-house think-tank, the [Economic Development Research Partners](#) (EDRP) program, as well as other projects in the Knowledge Management and Development Department. Emily's background is in real estate and economic development, and she has worked in various planning capacities in non-profits and local government. Emily earned her master's degree in city and regional planning

from Georgia Institute of Technology, specializing in economic development. She completed her undergraduate studies in English at Allegheny College. Emily is a member of the Urban Land Institute and a board member of the Washington D.C. Chapter of the Congress for the New Urbanism. In 2014, she was part of a team that developed the card game "Cards Against Urbanity," which was kick-started at 280 percent of the set goal.

DCI's 40 Under 40 award was designed to discover the economic development profession's rising stars.

"The people chosen by the selection committee represent a bright future for the economic development world," said Andy Levine, president of DCI. "They are a new breed of results-driven place makers. We're very pleased to see Emily Brown among the winners."

DCI officially announced the winners at an awards reception during the International Economic Development Council's Leadership Summit in Palm Beach and will feature an in-depth profile of each on its website during 201-.

For more information on DCI's 40 Under 40 winners, visit www.aboutdci.com/40under40.

About the International Economic Development Council

The [International Economic Development Council](#) (IEDC) is a non-profit membership organization serving economic developers. With more than 4,500 members, IEDC is the largest organization of its kind. Economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities, by creating, retaining and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth and provide a stable tax base. From public to private, rural to urban, and local to international, IEDC's members are engaged in the full range of economic development experience. Given the breadth of economic development work, our members are employed in a wide variety of settings including local, state, provincial and federal governments, public private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities and a variety of other institutions. When we succeed, our members create high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions.

About DCI

Considered the leader in marketing places, [Development Counsellors International](#) (DCI) specializes in economic development and tourism marketing. The agency has worked for more than 400 cities, regions, states and countries since it was established in New York City in 1960.

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