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Ian Bromley to Chair International Economic Development Council
Board of Directors announces Chair elections and other appointments

WASHINGTON, DC (November 25, 2008) – The International Economic Council (IEDC) held its annual economic development conference October 19-22, 2008 at the Hyatt Regency in Atlanta, Georgia. Board of Directors elections were held during this period with Ian Bromley, FM, MA, MBA, Chief Executive, Creative Sheffield, Sheffield, England, selected to succeed Robin Roberts Krieger, FM, Executive Vice President, Greater Oklahoma City Chamber, Oklahoma City, OK, as Chair in January 2009. The Board also elected William Best, FM, Senior Vice President and Manager, Community Development Banking, PNC Bank, East Brunswick, NJ, as Vice Chair and Dennis Coleman, CEcD, FM, President & CEO, Saint Louis County Economic Council, Saint Louis, MO as Secretary/Treasurer.

At the Annual Conference, Robin Roberts Krieger, FM was recognized for her achievements over the last year as outgoing chair. IEDC awarded Robin Roberts Krieger, FM the Fellow Member designation in 2006 and in that same year named her Chair of the Board of Directors, making her the first woman to hold the position. “During her service as Chair, IEDC has made significant strides meeting our strategic goals of ensuring that we provide our members with cutting-edge information and tools in the areas of globalization, entrepreneurship and sustainability,” said new Chair Ian Bromley, FM, MA, MBA.

The following were also announced as elected Committee Chairs:

- Barbara Johnson, Chief Operating Officer, Greater New Orleans, Inc., New Orleans, LA, will again be heading up the External Member Relations Committee;
- William Sproull, President & CEO, Richardson Economic Development Partnership, Richardson, TX, will be chairing the Planning and Business Development Committee; and
- James Kinnett, CEcD, FM, President, The Kinnett Consulting Group, Lawrenceburg, IN, will be chairing the Performance Oversight and Monitoring Committee.

Outgoing Board of Directors members were:

- Austin Burke, President & CEO, Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, Scranton, PA;
- Brett Doney, CEcD, President & CEO, Great Falls Development Authority, Inc., Great Falls, MT;
- Charles Webb, Partner, Profile Associates, Centennial, CO;
- Ellen O'Connor, Deputy Director, City of Chicago O'Hare Modernization Program, Chicago, IL;
- Gene DePrez, Chief Innovation Officer, Creative Sheffield, Sheffield, England;
- Kristen Fish, CEcD, Business Development Manager, Clover Industries, Wausau, WI;
- Mike Kirchhoff, CEcD, Vice President, Business Retention & Recruitment, Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri, Kansas City, MO;
- Ronnie Bryant, CEcD, FM, HLM, President & CEO, Charlotte Regional Partnership, Charlotte, NC; and
- Ted Hiding, CEcD, FM, retired, Mission Viejo, CA.

New members to the IEDC Board of Directors elected were:

- Dyan Brasington, CEcD, FM, Director, Economic and Workforce Development, Towson University, Towson, MD;
- Fran Gladden, Undersecretary, Louisiana Economic Development, Baton Rouge, LA;

- Gary Skoog, CEcD, Director, Economic Development, Village of Hoffman Estates, Hoffman Estates, IL;
- Gerald Gordon, FM, Ph.D, President & CEO, Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, Vienna, VA;
- Greg Wingfield, President & CEO, Greater Richmond Partnership, Inc., Richmond, VA;
- John Stroud, Executive Director, Longview Economic Development Corporation, Longview, TX;
- Joy Wilkins, CEcD, Manager, Community Innovation Services, Georgia Tech Enterprise Innovation Institute, Atlanta, GA;
- Scott Adams, CEcD, Director, Business Development, City of Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV; and
- Todd Greene, CEcD, Assistant Vice President, Community & Economic Development Research & Policy, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta; Atlanta, GA.

This premier annual conference for the economic development industry stressed the need for communities of all types to adjust their economic models and leadership to meet the challenges posed by the growing world population. This year theme was The Next Billion: Mobility, Flexibility, Agility, and Livability.

The [International Economic Development Council](http://www.iedconline.org) (IEDC) is the largest non-profit membership organization dedicated to helping economic developers do their job more effectively and raising the profile of the profession. When we succeed, our members create more high-quality jobs, develop more vibrant communities, and generally improve the quality of life in their regions. For more information about IEDC visit www.iedconline.org.

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