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CANADA’S CANDACE SIDER APPOINTED AS CHAIR OF IFCBA

Ottawa, Canada, July 12, 2018 – The International Federation of Customs Brokers Associations (IFCBA) has announced that Candace Sider, a representative of the Canadian Society of Customs Brokers (CSCB) and Livingston International’s Vice President of Government and Regulatory Affairs, North America has been appointed as Chair of the IFCBA for the 2018-20 term.

Ms. Sider will play the lead role in developing the organization’s overall strategy during her term. She will also provide guidance on critical international customs policies and practices during a time of unprecedented change in national trade policies and technological advancement in the processes of customs and border agencies.

“It’s an honour and privilege to be appointed to this position,” said Ms. Sider. “The IFCBA has played a pivotal role in bringing together customs brokers and other stakeholders in global trade and customs to provide improvements in the speed and security by which goods move across international borders. I look forward to working with the leadership team and fellow board members to further that agenda.”

Ms. Sider is a well-known advocate in international trade and customs circles, who has worked in many different capacities to help shape the policies and procedures relating to the movement of goods across international borders. She sits on many consultative committees in Canada, including the Border Commercial Consultative Committees of the Canada Border Services Agency.

Ms. Sider previously served as a Managing Director and Treasurer on the IFCBA board and is currently a Director, as well as a past Chair, of the CSCB. Joining her on the IFCBA board as directors from Canada are Angela Collins, Chair of the CSCB and Melanie Bedard, a CSCB Director.

“Candace has had a significant influence on the IFBCA and we are delighted to have her serve as our organization’s chair,” said Carol West, who was reappointed as IFCBA Secretary. “I look forward to building on the foundation we’ve established as we navigate through these unpredictable times.”

In addition to Ms. Sider, the IFCBA leadership team is comprised of Past Chair Shantanu Bhadkamkar (India) and the following Managing Directors for 2018-2020:

Pedro Bequengue (Angola)

Ge Jizhong (China)

Ruben Perez (Argentina)

Geoff Powell (United States)

Vito Totorizzo (Italy)

George Zografos (Greece)

About the International Federation of Customs Brokers Associations

With members in all trading continents, the IFCBA encourages and facilitates co-operation amongst national customs broker associations by creating opportunities to exchange information and ideas on matters of concern to them. Representatives of the IFCBA are active participants in several international fora including the World Customs Organization's Private Sector Consultative Group. Through its international engagement the IFCBA seeks to improve customs and trade policy and processes while promoting the recognition of the integral role played by customs brokers in global trade. Visit us at www.ifcba.org.

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