

CAs and leadership

Re: CEOs in Waiting, FP Weekend, March 11

It was heartening to see such a diverse group of prominent business people recognized by your publication. We are also pleased to note that, of the 22 people you selected as the "CEOs in waiting," no fewer than seven were chartered accountants, including Dennis Kavelman, Karen Maidment, Lisa Pankratz, Aaron Regent and Barbara Stymiest of Ontario, Alberta's Mark Maybank and Nadir Mohamed, a British Columbia CA.

Indeed, it's increasingly common in such profiles of business achiever groups to see that CAs are disproportionately represented. For evidence, just look to the executive suites of Canadian business, where CAs already fill many of the most senior positions, be they CEOs, CFOs or directorships.

It is certainly a feather in the cap for Canada's pre-eminent finance and accounting designation that nearly one in three of the *Financial Post's* list of future chief executives is a chartered accountant. Thank you for taking the initiative to recognize these outstanding individuals.

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