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**Alternative IQ Announces Winners of  
2016 Canadian Hedge Fund Awards**

**TORONTO, (October 19, 2016)** – Alternative IQ today announced the winners of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Canadian Hedge Fund Awards, the highest honour in Canada’s hedge fund industry. The awards were presented yesterday evening at a Gala Dinner at One King West Hotel in Toronto with over 140 guests in attendance. Peter Hayes, National Director, Alternative Investments, KPMG LLP, was Master of Ceremonies for the event.

The Gala Dinner was preceded by a hedge fund conference in the afternoon at which the delegates heard a presentation by Brooke Biscoe, Vice President, Business Development, Fundata Canada, on the new Risk Rating Regime for Canada’s hedge funds. The conference also included two panel discussions. The first panel of four seasoned IROC investment advisors discussed Canadian high net worth investors’ attitudes and intentions about investing in hedge funds. The second panel included senior executives from some of Canada’s largest and most successful hedge funds who shared their views on the trends in Canada’s hedge fund industry and how the industry will grow going forward.

The Canadian Hedge Fund Awards help investors identify the most exceptional hedge funds of the year, recognizing winners in 4 categories as well as the Overall Best 2016 Canadian Hedge Fund. A total of 195 Canadian hedge funds participated in the 2016 CHFA program. The awards are based solely on quantitative performance data to June 30<sup>th</sup>, with Fundata managing the collection and tabulation of the data to determine the winners. There is no nomination process or subjective assessment in identifying the winners. Additional awards, based on votes from hedge fund companies, recognize top service providers to the industry.

The 2016 Canadian Hedge Fund Award winners are:

**Overall Best 2016 Canadian Hedge Fund:**

(based on best combined 10 year annualized return and Sharpe ratio).

<b>Place</b>	<b>Fund Name</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Return</b>	<b>Sharpe Ratio</b>
<b>1st</b>	<b>PH&amp;N Absolute Return Fund</b>	<b>Global Macro/Managed Futures/Multi-Strategy</b>	<b>15.45</b>	<b>1.61</b>
2nd	King & Victoria Fund LP	Equity Focused	15.28	1.03
3rd	Venator Founders Fund	Equity Focused	13.61	0.82

### **Equity Focused Category**

#### **Best 1 Year Return:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>Primevestfund</b>	<b>33.94</b>
2nd	Teraz Fund	31.97
3rd	Canoe Energy Alpha Fund LP	20.82

#### **Best 5 Year Return:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>ROMC Fund</b>	<b>17.18</b>
2nd	DKAM Capital Ideas Fund	14.33
3rd	Fiera Long Short Equity Fund	14.18

#### **Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>Fiera Long Short Equity Fund</b>	<b>1.75</b>
2nd	Goodwood Milford Fund	1.43
3rd	ROMC Fund	1.37

### **Credit Focused Category:**

#### **Best 1 Year Return:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund LP</b>	<b>19.10</b>
2nd	Fiera Capital Income Opportunities Fund	16.25
3rd	YTM Capital Credit Opportunities Fund	16.17

#### **Best 5 Year Return:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>Stornoway Recovery Fund LP</b>	<b>13.05</b>
2nd	Venator Income Fund	8.98
3rd	RP Debt Opportunities Fund	7.87

#### **Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>RP Debt Opportunities Fund</b>	<b>2.42</b>
2nd	RP Fixed Income Plus Marret Investment Grade Hedged Strategies	2.14
3rd	Fund	1.51

### **Market Neutral Category:**

#### **Best 1 Year Return:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>CC&amp;L Q Market Neutral Fund Group</b>	<b>20.29</b>
2nd	WARATAH Energy	15.08
3rd	EHP Guardian Fund	14.02

**Best 5 Year Return:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>CC&amp;L Market Neutral Fund</b>	<b>15.42</b>
2nd	CC&L Q Market Neutral Fund Group	14.57
3rd	Curvature LP	8.27

**Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>Curvature LP</b>	<b>1.92</b>
2nd	Ross Smith Capital Investment Fund	1.83
3rd	CC&L Market Neutral Fund	1.50

**Global Macro/Managed Futures/Multi-Strategy Category:****Best 1 Year Return:**

	<b>J. Zechner Associates Inc. Global Hedged</b>	
<b>1st</b>	<b>Growth Fund</b>	<b>33.02</b>
2nd	Claret Global Multi Asset LP	24.69
3rd	Stratigis Uber Strategies Fund LP	23.07

**Best 5 Year Return:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>JM Catalyst Fund</b>	<b>11.61</b>
2nd	PH&N Absolute Return Fund	10.32
3rd	J. Zechner Associates Inc. Global Hedged Growth Fund	8.32

**Best 5 Year Sharpe Ratio:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>JM Catalyst Fund</b>	<b>2.45</b>
2nd	PH&N Absolute Return Fund	1.23
3rd	Dynamic Income Opportunities Fund	0.96

Awards were also presented to those service providers that Canadian hedge fund managers voted most valuable to them: SGGG Fund Services received the award for top Canadian Hedge Fund Administrator, the top Canadian Prime Broker award went to CIBC Capital Markets, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP was awarded top Canadian Law Firm and KPMG LLP was voted the top Canadian Accounting Firm.

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For more information about the annual CHFA program, the 2016 Top Contenders and the full directory of hedge funds participating in the 2016 Canadian Hedge Fund program, go to: [www.alternativeiq.com](http://www.alternativeiq.com) or call:

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**About Alternative IQ:** Alternative IQ is dedicated to celebrating, supporting and expanding Canada's Hedge Fund Industry and produces the annual Canadian Hedge Fund Awards, held in Toronto each October (performance as at June 30th), the 'Winners' Showcase' events which present Managers of the award-winning hedge funds to investors, and various other programs and publications serving the hedge fund industry in Canada. Alternative IQ is a division of Alliance Sales and Marketing, Inc.

**About the Annual Canadian Hedge Fund Awards:** The Annual Canadian Hedge Fund Awards were first held in 2008 and have a two-fold objective: First, to celebrate the talent and accomplishments of Canada's hedge fund industry, and second, to draw attention to Canada's hedge funds by raising the awareness of that expertise in the media and among the wider investment community.