

## **STEP Global Congress** 6-7 November 2014 Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Miami, USA

## Powerful, thoughtprovoking agenda includes:

- Decision making and risk in private wealth
- Harmony and dis-harmony of private international law
- Supranational initiatives
- Asset recovery and litigation
- · Trusts in civil law jurisdictions
- Digital assets coping with death and incapacity
- Complex tax structures

And so much more, see inside for full details.



## A world-class technical programme, giving you the opportunity to network and exchange ideas with practitioners from STEP's global community

## Plus..

Specialised sessions from our SIGs (Special Interest Groups) who play a major part in this programme

Focussed SIG themes include:

- **Business families**
- Philanthropy •
- Cross border estates
- Mental capacity
- Contentious trusts and estates

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**Keynote Speakers:** 

Geoffrey Robertson QC, Doughty Street Chambers, UK John G. Taft, CEO, RBC Wealth Management, USA





## WEDNESDAY 05 NOVEMBER 2014

2.00pm	Conference registration and hospitality desk opens	
6.00pm	Opening night cocktail party Mix and mingle ahead of the Congress at the welcome cocktail party in the marquee on the tropical lawns of the Mandarin Oriental	

#### DAY ONE

## THURSDAY 06 NOVEMBER 2014

8.15am	Registration and refreshments Exhibits open			
9.00am	Introduction from Chair of STEP Worldwide			
9.10am	Welcome from STEP Miami Hal J. Webb TEP, Chair STEP Miami Branch			
9.15am	Keynote Address 1			
	<ul><li>The principles of good stewardship</li><li>The choice for service</li><li>Whose interest are we serving?</li></ul>			
	<ul> <li>Lessons from a lifetime in banking</li> <li>John G. Taft, RBC Wealth Management, USA</li> </ul>			
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11.00am Special Interest Group Sessions

Option 1 – Business Families and Philanthropy Special Interest Groups: Building philanthropy in the fabric of the family enterprise Kecia Barkawi TEP, VALUEworks, Switzerland Paul Stibbard TEP, Rothschild Trust, UK

Option 2 – Mental Capacity Special Interest Group: Digital assets – coping with death and incapacity Julia Abrey TEP, Withers LLP, UK Suzanne Brown Walsh, Cummings & Lockwood LLC, USA

Option 3 – Contentious Trusts and Estates and Cross-Border Estates Special Interest Groups: Forced heirship/community property and offshore trusts Chair: Simon Beck TEP, Baker & McKenzie LLP, USA Gilead Cooper QC, 3 Stone Buildings, UK Professor Jonathan Harris TEP, Serle Court Chambers, UK Basil Zirinis TEP, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, USA

Option 4 – International Faculty: Survey of the key international data collection programmes Chair: Richard Hay TEP, Stikeman Elliott LLP, UK George Hodgson, STEP Worldwide Mark Matthews, Caplin & Drysdale, USA Bruce Zagaris TEP, Berliner, Corcoran & Rowe LLP, USA

#### 12.15pm Lunch

1.45pm	Special Interest Group Sessions
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Option 1 – Business Families Special Interest Group: Comparative tax treatments of selected family businesses and key jurisdictions Stanley A. Barg TEP, Kozusko Harris Duncan, USA Mauricio Cano de Valle TEP, Brook & Cano, Mexico

Option 2 – Mental Capacity Special Interest Group: End of life – how should the law support and encourage an individual's choices? Kenneth W. Goodman, University of Miami, USA Patricia Wass TEP, Foot Anstey LLP, UK

Option 3 – Philanthropy Advisors Special Interest Group: New philanthropy tools – making a return while making a difference James Carleton, Farrer & Co LLP, UK Atiya Weiss, JP Morgan, USA

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#### Option 4 – Cross-Border Estates Special Interest Group: The international family - The impact of the European Succession Regulation (Brussels IV) inside and outside Europe

Richard Frimston TEP, Russell-Cooke LLP, UK

#### Option 5 – Contentious Trusts and Estates Special Interest Group: The client's perspective on trust and estate litigation

Chair: Toby Graham TEP, Farrer & Co, UK Dr Hubert Achermann, Lunag AG, Switzerland Dr Georgia Fotiou TEP, KPMG AG, Switzerland

#### **Option 6** – International Faculty: Government use of data

Chair: Richard Hay TEP, Stikeman Elliott LLP, UK Geoff Cook TEP, Jersey Finance Limited, Jersey Nick Jacob TEP, Lawrence Graham LLP, UK Mark Matthews, Caplin & Drysdale, USA

2.50pm	Main Stage Session 2		
	The harmony and dis-harmony of privateinternational lawChair: Professor Donovan Waters QC TEP, HorneCoupar, CanadaProfessor Jonathan Harris TEP, Serle CourtChambers,UKProfessor Jeffrey Schoenblum, Vanderbilt University, USA		
3.50pm	Networking and refreshments		
4.20pm	20pm Main Stage Session 3		
	<ul> <li>Supranational initiatives:</li> <li>The G8 and G20 agendas</li> <li>Transparency and beneficial ownership</li> <li>Unacceptable tax avoidance</li> <li>Automatic exchange of information</li> <li>What it all means for the wealth management industry</li> <li>Monica Bhatia, OECD, France</li> <li>John Riches TEP, RMW Law LLP, UK</li> </ul>		
5.20pm	Day 1 closing address		
6.00pm	Reception and dinner Join us for drinks and a BBQ dinner in a relaxed		

setting with a Miami vibe.

## DAY TWO FRIDAY 07

# NOVEMBER 2014

8.00am	Registration and refreshments Exhibits open		
8.00am	BNY Mellon Wealth Management Breakfast Briefing Wealth planning for foreign nationals with U.S. connections		
	Amicorp Breakfast Briefing Panel discussion		
8.55am	Welcome from STEP CEO David Harvey, STEP Worldwide		
9.00am	Keynote Address 2		
	<ul> <li>Privacy – who guards its guardians?</li> <li>Why does every human rights convention proclaim the need to protect privacy?</li> <li>What justification, if any, is there for the leaks of government secrets by Julian Assange and Edward Snowden, and how does this compute with governments actively procuring leaks of private information from banks and threatening the professional confidence of bankers, lawyers and accountants?</li> <li>If 'public interest' is to replace 'iniquity' as the legal basis for justifiable disclosure, how and by whom is this broad concept to be defined and enforced?</li> <li>Geoffrey Robertson QC, Doughty Street Chambers, UK</li> </ul>		
9.45am	Main Stage Session 4		
	<ul> <li>Addressing the real needs of our clients: The need for transparency and dialogue with 'onshore' tax authorities</li> <li>Developments in exchange of information and antimoney laundering rules</li> <li>Secure ways for global wealth owners to hold their</li> </ul>		

Philip Marcovici TEP, Offices of Philip Marcovici, Hong Kong

# For full details of each session, visit www.stepglobalcongress.org

10.30am	Am       Main Stage Session 5         STEP's response to the emerging         transparency agenda         Balancing the needs of the clients and the Society         George Hodgson, STEP Worldwide		Option 2 – Latin America update Dayra Berbey de Rojas TEP, Icaza Trust Corporation, Panama Mauricio Cano del Valle TEP, Brook & Cano, Mexico Nicolas Malumian TEP, Malumian & Fossati, Argentina Flavia Moreira de Campos Andrade TEP, Tozzini Freire	
11.00am 11.30am	Networking and refreshments Special Interest Group Sessions		Advogados, Brazil Option 3 – Complex tax structures	
	Option 1 – Business Families Special Interest Group: Harvard Business School meets Confucius – the family dimension Mary Duke TEP, Family Wealth Advisor, USA Nicolas Malumian TEP, Malumian & Fossati, Argentina Paul Stibbard TEP, Rothschild Trust, UK		Nick Jacob TEP, Lawrence Graham LLP, UK David Wallace Wilson TEP, Schellenberg Wittmer, Switzerland Option 4 – Asset recovery and litigation panel session Andrew Lourie, Kobre & Kim LLP, USA Tim Prudhoe TEP, Kobre & Kim LLP, BVI Domingos Fernando Refinetti, Stoche Forbes, Brazil	
	Option 2 – Mental Capacity & Cross-Border Estates Special Interest Groups: Multi- jurisdictional assets – challenges for estate planning and dealing with mental incapacity Margaret O'Sullivan TEP, O'Sullivan Estate Lawyers, Canada		Option 5 – Trusts in some civil law jurisdictions Dr Max Ganado, Ganado Advocates, Malta Dr Ákos Menyhei TEP, Hajdu & Menyhei Attorneys at Law, Hungary Diana Palomba TEP, Ingad Trust, Italy Marilyn Piccini Roy, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, Canada	
	Joshua Rubenstein TEP, Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP, USA	in the digital age		
	Option 3 – Philanthropy Advisors Special Interest Group: Philanthropy in the global village Betsy Brill TEP, Strategic Philanthropy Ltd, USA Clive Cutbill TEP, Withers LLP, UK		Chair: Bill Ahern TEP, Family Capital Conservation, Hong Kong Thomas Parenty, Cyber Security Consulting LLC, US Paul Stibbard TEP, Rothschild Trust, UK	
	Option 4 – Contentious Trusts and Estates Special	3.35pm	Main Stage Session 6	
	Interest Group: Trustee investment – what the common-law world can learn from Uncle Sam Nicholas Le Poidevin QC TEP, New Square Chambers, UK Basil Zirinis TEP, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, USA Option 5 – International Faculty: Finance centres 2020 – how will service provider business models evolve to cope with transparency? Chair: Richard Hay TEP, Stikeman Elliott LLP, UK Peter Cohen TEP, IF Consulting Services LLC, USA Geoff Cook TEP, Jersey Finance Limited, Jersey		<ul> <li>Are you on the endangered species list?</li> <li>Challenging old-guard thinking</li> <li>The long-term demographic of the client base</li> <li>The need for client centricity and trust; do we have it today?</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>The millennial generation – the next generation of clients: their take on us</li> <li>Aron Pervin TEP, Pervin Family Business Advisors Ind Canada</li> <li>Bruce Weatherill, Bruce Weatherill Executive</li> <li>Consulting Limited, UK</li> </ul>	
	John Riches TEP, RMW Law LLP, UK	4.20pm	Networking and refreshments	
12.45pm	Lunch	4.45pm	Main Stage Session 7	
2.15pm	Specialist Sessions		The great debate Interactive session including live polling/voting	
	Option 1 – US/Canadian tax developments: Discussion of the issues and opportunities for		Conference close	
	planning involving cross-border US/Canada families Joseph Kellogg TEP, WE Family Offices, USA Kim G C Moody TEP, Moodys Gartner Tax Law LLP, Canada Michael Pfeifer TEP, Caplin & Drysdale Attorneys, USA	6.00pm	Farewell beach party End your Congress experience on the private white- sand beach of the Mandarin Oriental, overlooking Biscayne Bay. Grab a drink, kick off your shoes and get ready for a fun evening of music, great food and flowing drinks!	

**The inaugural STEP Congress** brings together all those interested in the world of family inheritance and succession planning, from all over the globe. Attendees will include thought-leaders and industry experts, made up of both STEP members and non-members. With a world-class technical programme and the opportunity to network and exchange ideas, this is an event not to be missed!

The powerful, thought-provoking agenda encourages the exchange of ideas, knowledge and learning. The different programme streams range from the highly topical, international subject areas, to specialised sessions from our Special Interest Groups, so you can build your agenda around the areas that interest you.

The excellent social events also offer attendees the time to network with peers and partner organisations, providing extensive business opportunities. Speakers will not just be drawn from practitioners but will include prominent external commentators sharing ideas, criticism, business insight and new analysis about our world.

We look forward to welcoming you to what is sure to be an outstanding two days of learning, sharing and networking.

#### David Harvey, CEO, STEP

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## **Keynote Speakers' Biographies**

This conference features more than 40 renowned international speakers, with keynote sessions from:

#### Geoffrey Robertson QC, Doughty Street Chambers, UK

Geoffrey Robertson QC is founder and head of Doughty Street Chambers, one of Europe's largest human rights practices. He has had a distinguished career as a trial and appellate counsel, and has served as a UN Appeals Judge and as a 'distinguished jurist' member of the UN's Justice Council. He has argued many landmark cases in media, constitutional and criminal law in the European Courts of Justice and of Human Rights, in the Privy Council and the Supreme Courts of the UK and of many Commonwealth countries. He has been involved in the prosecutions of General Pinochet and Hastings Banda and the defence of Salman Rushdie, Mike Tyson and Julian Assange. He was counsel for the trustees in the notable case of *Bacardi & de Juria v Patron Tequila* which after numerous visits to the Privy Council from Anguilla resulted in a \$550 million settlement in favour of his clients.

#### John G. Taft, RBC Wealth Management, USA

John G. Taft is CEO of RBC Wealth Management. He served as chairman-elect for the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA) in 2010 and chairman in 2011. As a representative of SIFMA, John advocated for responsible financial reform and testified before Congress in support of a federal fiduciary standard of care for investment professionals who provide advice to individual clients. An active diversity advocate around issues of gender identity, John serves as executive sponsor for RBC WM – U.S.'s Gay, Lesbian, Allied and Diverse Employees (GLADE) employee resource group. Under his leadership, RBC WM – U.S. received a 100 per cent rating in the Human Rights Campaign's Corporate Equality Index. In 2010, the National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC) named John the 'Outstanding Corporate Diversity Leader.'

## To view all of the speakers' biographies, please visit www.stepglobalcongress.org

## About the Organisers

STEP is the worldwide professional association for practitioners dealing with family inheritance and succession planning. The Society helps to improve public understanding of the issues families face in this area and promotes education and high professional standards among its members. STEP has 19,000 members across 80 jurisdictions from a broad range of professional backgrounds, including lawyers, accountants, trust specialists and other practitioners in this area. STEP members help families plan for their futures, specialising in a wide range of activities, from drafting a relatively simple will to more complex issues surrounding international families, protection of the vulnerable, family businesses and philanthropic giving.

# For more information about STEP, visit www.step.org or email step@step.org

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For the detailed conference programme and to register to attend, visit **www.stepglobalcongress.org** 



## Join a STEP Special Interest Group (SIG) for free today!

Our SIGs offer a forum for shared specialisms and focused areas of practice. SIGs include:

- Business Families
- · Charities
- Contentious Trusts and Estates
- Cross-Border Estates
- Mental Capacity
- Philanthropy Advisors

Find out more at www.step.org/sigs



