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CHICAGO, IL — The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) proudly announces the installation of its new President for 2015-2016, Scott Hierlinger, IIDA, LEED AP, Design Director, Nelson, and the election of Marlene Liriano, IIDA, LEED AP IDC+C, Vice President and Director of Interior Design, HOK, to President-Elect. Also elected to the board are Edwin Beltran, IIDA, Assoc. AIA, Principal, NBBJ, Jeff Fenwick, Industry IIDA, President and COO, Tarkett North America, James Kerrigan, IIDA, Design Principal, Jacobs, Doug Shapiro, Industry IIDA, Director of A +D & Central Region Manager, OFS. All will be inducted to the International Board of Directors at the IIDA Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 14, 2015, at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago.

“Scott’s passion for design, his portfolio of high-profile innovative projects, and his expertise in the industry make him the ideal candidate to serve as IIDA’s next President,” said IIDA Executive Vice President and CEO Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIDA, LEED AP. “Under Scott’s leadership this International Board of Directors brings together a group of design leaders who collectively have decades of experience, as well as insights into some of the world’s largest design projects. They are all wonderful additions to our IIDA International Board and we look forward to their contributions.” Continuing on the 2015-2016 International Board will be Vice Presidents Julio Braga, FIIDA, LEED AP, Jim Williamson, FIIDA, LEED AP ID+C, and Felice Silverman, FIIDA, LEED AP ID+C.
As the Design Director and Co-Principal of NELSON’s Minneapolis office, Hierlinger serves as an expert in corporate design with 21 years of experience. He is responsible for all aspects of the design process including programming, space planning, design development, construction documentation and project management. Within NELSON, Scott Co-Chairs the NELSON Design Consortium and is the Minneapolis lead of the NELSON Legal Practice Team.

For nearly three decades, Marlene Liriano, currently Director of Interiors for HOK in Miami has successfully delivered innovative and thoughtful design solutions that have exceeded her clients’ expectations. Marlene’s professional memberships include the Commercial Real Estate Women, and the Society of American Registered Architects. In 2014, she won a Distinguished Alumni Award from Florida International University’s College of Architecture + The Arts.

Edwin Beltran has worked nationally and internationally on a wide variety of projects ranging from healthcare, commercial and hospitality interiors to large mixed-use buildings and institutional campuses. His design work has been recognized with multiple AIA Honor awards and featured in national and international publications. He has also served as an adjunct faculty member at the Ohio State University’s Knowlton School of Architecture, where he led design studios and continues to be a guest critic.

With more than 20 years of experience, Jeff Fenwick is a proven experienced design industry leader with a focus on growth, margin improvement, and organizational effectiveness in the office furniture industry. He has a wide range of experiences in a diverse set of industries and functions including office furniture ergonomics, design, and distribution, as well as safety and security in a variety of domestic and international roles. His leadership skills, knowledge, and collaborative team efforts have benefitted the companies for which he has worked and contributed to their progressive growth.

James Kerrigan brings an international perspective to his practice having lived and worked in Australia, UK, Ireland, and since 2007, the United States. He has developed specialized expertise from over 20 years working in the commercial, higher education and science and technology sectors. As a Design Principal with Jacobs, Kerrigan frequently works with an integrated and talented team of interdisciplinary professionals that often include Workplace, Design, and MEP professionals, skilled in the delivery of programmatically demanding and complex design problems.

Doug Shapiro is the Director of A&D for OFS Brands. He has been with OFS Brands for 10 years where he was previously the Director of Product Development. He has extensive experience collaborating with world class product designers from all over the globe on designing and developing new products. He also recently joined Kansas State's IAPD advisory board and helped to pioneer and coach a course for interior design students learning about designing furniture for the contract market.

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