



THE 2009 AIMA CANADA – HILLSDALE RESEARCH AWARD

The Alternative Investment Management Association Canada (AIMA Canada) and Hillsdale Investment Management Inc. are pleased to announce the fifth annual Research Award sponsored by AIMA Canada. The 2009 award is funded by Hillsdale Investment Management Inc. and is called the AIMA Canada – Hillsdale Research Award.

Designed to encourage and recognize high quality applied research in the field of alternative investments in Canada, the AIMA Canada - Hillsdale Research Award is open to academics, students and practitioners who are either residents of Canada or Canadian citizens living abroad. Research papers can be on any aspect of alternative investments including the application of alternative investment techniques or instruments to traditional investments. Topics may include, but are not limited to, investment strategy, portfolio construction, regulation, governance, trading, risk management, risk measurement and manager selection. The research focus can be either Canadian or international.

Paul Bates, Dean of the DeGroote School of Business at McMaster University and a Commissioner of the Ontario Securities Commission, is managing the award's adjudication panel. The panel consists of academic faculty from a number of business schools across Canada.

The Award will be given out for the best paper as judged by the adjudication panel. The Award recipient will receive a cash prize of **\$10,000** and guaranteed publication of a short form of the research paper in the Canadian Investment Review.

Eligible research must have been conducted either by Canadians or in Canada—authors will be required to substantiate this if their paper is the winner. Papers must include both the full version of the research and a summary version not in excess of 2500 words. The summary version of the winning paper will become the property of the Canadian Investment Review.

Papers must be submitted to Lynda D. Briant, General Manager of AIMA Canada, **no later than September 30, 2009**. Papers can be submitted for other award competitions but cannot be submitted for publication elsewhere during the adjudication period. The winner(s) will be announced by the end of November 2009.

More information, rules, and application forms are available at the AIMA Canada web site, www.aima-canada.org, or call (416) 453-0111.