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CPACA Publishes New Book *Bridging the Gap: Strengthening the Connection between Current and Emerging Leaders in the CPA Profession*

Overland Park, KS, May 2016 – Accounting firms all over North America are in a quandary and challenged about how to move forward. Current partners simply don't see the leadership skills they expect in their firm's up-and-coming staff and worry about their retirement prospects. While at the same time, emerging leaders are frustrated with a lack of training from above and have no desire to live the hectic life of their older compatriots.

To address these and other succession-related issues, The CPA Consultants' Alliance (CPACA), a working group of thought leaders united in their efforts to further leadership within the CPA profession has published a new book aimed at helping the CPA profession close the divide between current and emerging leaders.

CPACA members wrote the book, entitled ***BRIDGING THE GAP: Strengthening the Connection between Current and Emerging Leaders in the CPA Profession*** as a collaboration.

"This book represents cooperation among leading experts to bring understanding of this complex and important issue to CPA professionals," said Sarah Dobek, President of Inovautus Consulting and current President of the CPACA.

"I'm proud of what this book represents," she said. "Not only is it a timely and valuable resource for the profession, it's been a great learning experience for the CPACA members broadening all our perspectives to make us more informed and better resources for the firms we serve."

Members of the CPACA collaborated for a year on the content for the book—each bringing a different perspective to the topic and authoring a chapter addressing leadership issues.

The book features 14 chapters worth of insights and examples. In addition, each chapter contains discussion questions to help open conversations among current and emerging leaders in firms to build greater understanding and a common vision for the future. The book is available from [Amazon](#) in both Kindle and soft cover form.

About The CPA Consultants' Alliance

The CPACA was formed in 2012 with the purpose of exploring leadership issues facing the public accounting profession and developing and sharing solutions that benefit practitioners. Other insights from the group include the article *What Drives Happiness at CPA Firms* and the whitepaper *CPA Firm Leadership: Communication Drives New Possibilities*. The group's vision is to inspire positive change in the CPA profession by collaboratively establishing tools and content that will educate, motivate and increase the wisdom of current and future leaders.

The CPACA's [members](#) are successful consultants within the CPA profession. Members' expertise includes CPA firm strategic and succession planning, leadership and management, growth, sales and marketing, information technology, human resources, coaching, mergers and acquisitions, diversity, leadership development and more.

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