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Research Centre Hosts Day-Long Conference on Mutual Funds

Waterloo, Ont. (Oct. 3) - Investment professionals are invited to attend a one-day conference on mutual funds at Wilfrid Laurier University on Thursday, Oct. 12.

The Mutual Group Financial Services Research Centre Conference on Managing Mutual Funds in the 1990s is aimed at individuals from Canada's financial sector who are involved in the management or distribution of mutual funds. The conference, in the Paul Martin Centre from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., should also be of interest to securities regulators and academics.

Among the more than one dozen speakers are: Dr. Lucy Ackert, associate professor of finance at WLU and an internationally recognized scholar on stock market volatility; Keith Ambachtscheer, consulting editor of the *Canadian Investment Review*; Timothy Appelt, an expert on the application of derivatives to portfolio management; Earl Bederman, who will discuss trends in mutual funds in Canada; Dr. Phelim Boyle, a widely-respected derivatives scholar from the University of Waterloo; Dr. Campbell Harvey, professor and head of the finance department, Duke University; Harry Marmer, a researcher in the fields of global investment diversification and currency risk hedging; and Glorianne Stromberg, commissioner of the Ontario Securities Commission and author of *Regulatory Strategies for the Mid-1990s: Recommendations for Regulating Investment Funds in Canada*.

The conference will include speakers and roundtable discussions. Registration fee is \$250 per participant, and the conference is also open to the media. For more information or to register, contact Dr. Brian Smith at (519) 884-0710, Ext. 2953.

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