

Lisa Baroldi, Edmonton

Lisa Baroldi is an award-winning business and community leader. She is currently President and CEO of Building Owners and Managers Association Edmonton or BOMA Edmonton. Prior to joining BOMA Edmonton, Lisa was a senior advisor to the Canada-UAE Business Council in Toronto and Dubai, and executive director of an economic development authority in Northern Alberta. Other previous roles include associate editor of Diplomat & International Magazine in Ottawa and CEO of Progress Unlimited, a global consulting firm that has been involved in many ground-breaking initiatives such as Canada's first New in Town Indigenous Welcome Service and Kahkiyaw, which is the first collaborative service delivery for urban Indigenous children, youth and families in Alberta. Through Progress, Lisa has provided economic, community, and business development services since 2007 in Canada, France, Sierra Leone, and the United Arab Emirates. She has obtained \$100 million dollars for projects since 2011, and has brought attention to and action on various issues. In 2009, Lisa co-founded the national intercity exchange, Designing Downtown, which she conceived of while marketing commercial real estate in Western Canada, and continues to be passionate about city building. Lisa holds a master's degree from the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, and degrees from L'institute d'études politiques de Lyon and the University of Alberta, where she was awarded the Dr John MacDonald Medal in Arts for overall superior academic achievement in the BA Honours Program. In 2015, Lisa was selected for the prestigious Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference. In 2012/13, she was named one of Edmonton's Top 40 under 40, Top 100 Women in Business, and Alberta Venture Magazine's Ten Rising Stars.