
Laurence J. Kotlikoff Wins RIIA's Top Award

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Boston University economics professor Laurence J. Kotlikoff has won the Retirement Income Industry Association's Achievement in Applied Retirement Research award, RIIA chairman and executive director Francois Gadenne announced last week.

RIIA recognized Kotlikoff for his scholarly and applied research, which has "truly influenced the field of retirement income management and financial planning," according to Gil Weinreich, editor of Research Magazine and RIIA Award Committee Chair.

"Professor Kotlikoff richly deserves this award," Weinreich said. "He has not confined his research to the quiet libraries of academe. He has been active in the arenas of public policy and personal planning as they affect financial professionals and individual investors."

The co-author (with Scott Burns) of "Spend 'til The End" (Simon & Schuster, 2008) and author or co-author of 13 on technical, financial, or public policy topics in the areas of finance and insurance, Kotlikoff has also advised national and international organizations, governments, and companies on economic issues.

The previous winners of the Achievement in Applied Retirement Research award are Moshe Milevsky (2008), executive director of The IFID Centre and associate professor at York University, and Boston University professor Zvi Bodie (2007).

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Participants will be able to preview, review and discuss the new RIIA Advisory Process, an "Across the Silos" approach which offers a "broader, more comprehensive process for advisors and companies to follow in helping investors through the 'new normal' of today's retirement income and management challenges."

The meeting is open to both RIIA members and non-members. For more information, contact Deborah Burkholder, 617-342-7390, or e-mail to staff@riia-usa.org.

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