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Bonnie C. Carroll Recognized by Enterprising Women Magazine

Bonnie C. Carroll, founder and CEO of Information International Associates, Inc. (IIa), received an Enterprising Women of the Year Award at the 14th Annual Enterprising Women of the Year Awards & Conference held in Miami, Florida, February 28-March 1. She was among honorees from throughout the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Uganda, Portugal, South Africa, Turkey, and several other countries, in one of the world's most prestigious recognition programs for women business owners. The awards "recognize their accomplishments as CEOs of fast-growth companies, community leaders and role models and mentors to other women and girls," said Monica Smiley, Publisher and CEO of Enterprising Women Magazine.

Since 1988, Carroll has grown IIa from a company of two to an international business with nearly 250 employees, more than 60 contractors and annual revenues of over \$55 million. While her company's growth and success made her a viable contender for the award, Carroll's passion for her work in scientific and technical information and her many contributions to community and economic development organizations set her apart from other nominees.

IIa has long supported efforts that enhance the access to and use of information through literacy and lifelong learning. As a member of both Altrusa International and Rotary International, Carroll and her company are Angel supporters of an annual literacy luncheon that raises over \$20,000 to support literacy activities in the region. Carroll is active on the Board of the United Way of Anderson County and participates in a Girls, Inc., program, "In Her Shoes," which provides young girls in grades 4-8 opportunities to think about their futures by providing career exploration and interaction with successful role models.

In 2015, the U.S. Department of Energy honored IIa as its Woman-owned Small Business of the Year for its "exceptional performance of a woman-owned small business directly contributing to

the accomplishments of core DOE mission objectives and requirements.” From its headquarters in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Iia manages contracts with DOE’s Office of Scientific and Technical Information and Oak Ridge National Laboratory; the U.S. Air Force in Dayton, Ohio, and in the United Kingdom; the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, DC; and others.

In the National Capital Region, Iia performs contracts with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; the Environmental Protection Agency; the Department of Defense Technical Information Center in Ft. Belvoir, Virginia; the Army Corps Research Labs in Vicksburg, Mississippi; and others in the intelligence community. II also manages a federal government interagency consortium of 13 major scientific and technical program offices.

Iia supports information and mission requirements for government and industry by providing innovative solutions in IT, knowledge organization and management, and knowledge exploitation. Iia has ISO 9001:2008 and ISO/IEC 20000:2011 certified quality management systems.

Photo: Bonnie C. Carroll, founder and CEO of Iia, recently received an Enterprising Women of the Year Award in Miami, Florida.

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