GIPS Executive Committee Open Conference Call

The GIPS Executive Committee has scheduled an open conference call for Wednesday, 11 February 2015 from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. US Eastern Standards Time (EST) to provide an update on GIPS Technical Committee activities, the new Firm Notification Requirement, and GIPS Strategic Plan. If you would like to attend this call as an observer, please view the materials and dial-in instructions for the upcoming GIPS Executive Committee open conference call.

GIPS Compliance Notification Form Now Available

In 2014, the GIPS Executive Committee approved the new requirement that firms claiming compliance with the GIPS standards must notify CFA Institute of such claim. The requirement is effective 1 January 2015 and firms will have until 30 June 2015 to submit the notification form which is now available on the GIPS website.

The firm notification form collects only limited information: name of firm, address, contact information, and verification status, while providing more extensive data (e.g., firm type, assets under management, asset classes managed, and investment vehicles offered) is optional for firms. Firm-specific information will be kept confidential; however, summary information or statistics from the database may be released publicly. For additional information, please contact gipscompliance@cfainstitute.org.

GIPS Webinar

We are offering a FREE GIPS Standards webinar on Wednesday, 25 February 2015 at 12:00 p.m. US EST that will summarize and explain the newest Guidance Statement on the Application of the GIPS Standards to Asset Owners. This free webinar will be interactive where CFA Institute staff will provide participants with important GIPS guidance as well as the opportunity to ask questions.

The 60-minute session will include:

- Background information about how Asset Owners can comply with the GIPS standards,
- Explanation of challenging issues for asset owners claiming compliance,
- Details about important new guidance, and
- An opportunity for open discussion on the Guidance Statement.

Click here to register.

Error Correction Survey

In July 2014, CFA Institute conducted a short survey regarding GIPS compliant firms’ error correction policies and procedures to inform the investment management industry as to how firms develop and administer their GIPS standards compliance programs with respect to such policies and procedures. The results of the survey were first unveiled at the 2014 GIPS Annual Conference in Boston. A detailed report of the survey results is now available on the GIPS website. Also, check out the blog just released on Error Correction highlighting key points from survey results and best practices on error correction.
New GIPS Logo for Firms
Firms claiming compliance with the GIPS standards may now use the new GIPS logo on compliant presentations or advertisements that adhere to the GIPS Advertising Guidelines. To find out how your firm can use the logo and view the usage guidelines, visit the GIPS website.

GIPS Annual Conference and Workshops
The GIPS Standards Annual Conference is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, 17-18 September 2015 in San Diego, California. The GIPS Standards Annual Conference is the only conference of its kind focused on the implementation and application of the GIPS standards. Subject matter experts share best practices and speak to the key issues and major developments in performance measurement, making this conference essential for any performance or compliance professional. Gain a general understanding of investment performance standards and measurement tactics, learn about recent or proposed changes to the GIPS standards, understand how to ensure that your firm maintains compliance, and meet other performance specialists from around the world.

A GIPS Standards Interactive Workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, 16 September 2015 in San Diego, California. The workshop will help participants master the requirements of the GIPS standards, including composite construction, performance calculation, and the creation of a compliant presentation.

The Fundamentals of Performance Measurement and Attribution Workshop is also scheduled for Wednesday, 16 September 2015 in San Diego, California and will provide skills immediately useful in your work and offer a thorough understanding of the fundamentals of performance measurement with practical lessons for beginners and experienced analysts alike. Following a highly interactive small-group format, participants will be guided through a wide range of frequently used attribution, risk, and benchmark-analysis methods and reinforce them with live calculation exercises.

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