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Champions of Diversity -

When we began compiling news items for this issue of the Global Supplier Diversity Business Development (GSDBD) Newsletter, an unintentional yet welcome theme was threaded through the articles that were submitted. This issue has been informally dubbed the "women's issue," as we feature some very notable "champions of diversity" who happen to be . . . women!



At Cisco not only do we believe that a diverse, multicultural supply chain is a source of innovation and is good for business, but we also believe in recognizing and supporting our diverse suppliers/partners and our colleagues who excel in their respective roles within supplier diversity.

We are more than proud to share a recent and well-deserved recognition awarded to our director of change management and global supplier diversity business development, Denise Coley, who is widely known and respected among many industries and even countries as a champion of diversity and as the "First Lady of Supplier Diversity." Cisco was nominated to receive the 2013 National Minority Supplier Development Council's prestigious Global-Link award. This award was won due to Denise Coley's leadership and that of her team, and to Cisco's outstanding performance in promoting the notion and practice of global minority supplier development and its commitment to minority suppliers in the United States and internationally. Congratulations to Denise and the GSDBD team on a job well done.

Also in this summer/fall issue of our newsletter, we highlight some of the impact we've experienced globally with our suppliers/partners, share federal contracting news, and celebrate the accomplishments of our diverse suppliers/partners and our colleagues. We hope you enjoy reading this issue and share it with your colleagues.

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“30 with the Experts”

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