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Jeffrey C. Thomson, CMA, CSCA, CAE, is president and CEO of IMA® (Institute of Management Accountants). Since assuming this position in 2008, Thomson has led the development of a strategy resulting in IMA becoming one of the fastest-growing accounting associations in the world, with double-digit growth in its CMA® (Certified Management Accountant) program over the past five years. In January 2018, IMA crossed the 100,000-member mark for the first time in the organization's history.

During his previous position as IMA's vice president of research, Thomson conducted research studies, authored numerous articles and a book, delivered dozens of presentations, and provided testimony to the U.S. Congress in the areas of risk management, internal controls, and corporate governance. He served as a COSO board member from 2006 to December 2011, during a period when COSO experienced growth in influential thought-leader pieces and launched the internal controls refresh initiative. Thomson returned to the COSO board in 2018 for a four-year term.

Prior to joining IMA, Thomson worked at AT&T for more than two decades, where he served in various financial, strategic, and operational roles. One of these roles included serving as the strategic CFO for an \$18 billion business unit.

Thomson was honored by *Accounting Today* by being included in the publication's annual "Top 100 Most Influential People List" for the last five years. He was also named by Trust Across America as one of the "Top 100 Thought Leaders in Trustworthy Business Behavior" for seven straight years, and was honored with the organization's Lifetime Achievement Award. *The Accountant/International Accounting Bulletin* recognized Thomson in its Global Accountancy Power 50 list of leading influencers, and named IMA the 2017 "Professional Body of the Year."