

Philip Jayhawk Chan Selected as Top Leader of the Year in Financial Empowerment

The International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP) will honor Philip Jayhawk Chan at their Annual Awards Gala in NYC at the Plaza Hotel

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, August 17, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP) is proud to announce that [Philip Jayhawk Chan](#), President and CEO of Lightspeed Investing, has been selected as Top Leader of the Year in Financial Empowerment for 2026. This prestigious distinction recognizes his exceptional leadership, unwavering commitment to financial education, and his dedication to helping professionals create long-term wealth and financial independence through innovative investment strategies.

Inclusion with the International Association of Top Professionals is an honor in itself; only a select few members in each discipline are chosen for this distinction. These special honorees are recognized for their professional accomplishments, academic achievements, leadership abilities, longevity in their fields, and contributions to their communities. Mr. Chan will be honored for this distinction at IAOTP's annual [awards gala](#) at the iconic Plaza Hotel in New York City.
www.iaotp.com/award-gala

Originally pursuing a career in medicine, Mr. Chan was on the path to becoming a surgeon before experiencing professional burnout that inspired him to pursue a new mission, helping others achieve financial freedom. His unique journey from medicine to finance has allowed him to combine analytical thinking, data-driven decision-making, and leadership into a career dedicated to empowering others.

Mr. Chan is the President and CEO of Lightspeed Investing, an investment education and wealth-building firm that has been serving clients for more than 15 years. Representing a team of



former medical professionals who transitioned into investment professionals, Lightspeed Investing specializes in helping physicians, engineers, executives, business owners, and high-performing professionals diversify their income through futures and commodities trading. Under his leadership, the company has expanded into three core divisions: money management for high-net-worth individuals, a comprehensive trading education platform, and automated trading software designed to simplify market participation.

Managing more than \$530 million in assets under management, Lightspeed Investing has become known for its systematic approach to wealth creation, financial education, and mentorship. Mr. Chan's mission is to democratize access to

investment strategies traditionally reserved for hedge funds while helping professionals reduce reliance on a single source of income and avoid the burnout he once experienced himself.

In addition to leading Lightspeed Investing, Mr. Chan is the Founder of Leadership Visions International, where he provides leadership development, executive coaching, business consulting, and professional growth training for entrepreneurs and emerging business leaders. As a certified Maxwell Leadership Team member, he coaches professionals in leadership development, communication, relationship building, and business growth while helping entrepreneurs develop scalable business strategies without relying heavily on paid advertising.

Mr. Chan also serves as Executive Chair of the ACA Visionaries Special Interest Group with ACA Business Club in Overland Park, Kansas, where he mentors ambitious entrepreneurs and provides leadership and business development training to help professionals maximize their potential.

Before embarking on his career path, Mr. Chan attended the University of Kansas, studying Neurobiology, Molecular Biosciences, and East Asian Languages and Culture before earning a Master of Science in Applied Statistics, Analytics, and Data Science from the University of Kansas Medical Center. He further strengthened his leadership credentials by earning his Maxwell Leadership Certification through The John Maxwell Company.

A highly sought-after speaker, Mr. Chan frequently shares his expertise on investing, leadership, entrepreneurship, and financial empowerment through keynote presentations, industry conferences, podcasts, and educational events. As a featured speaker at the FSSF 2025 Virtual



Summit, he continues to inspire audiences by demonstrating how professionals can leverage strategic investing to build lasting wealth while creating greater flexibility and freedom in their lives.

Throughout his illustrious career, Philip Jayhawk Chan has received recognition for his outstanding leadership, entrepreneurial success, and commitment to advancing financial education and wealth empowerment. His impact as an investment professional, business leader, speaker, and mentor has earned him respect throughout the financial services industry. This year, he is being considered for inclusion in TIP (Top Industry Professionals) Magazine for his outstanding accomplishments. In December 2026, he will be honored at IAOTP's annual awards gala at the iconic Plaza Hotel in New York City for his selection as Top Leader of the Year in Financial Empowerment.

Stephanie Cirami, President of IAOTP, stated, "Selecting Philip Jayhawk Chan for this prestigious honor was an easy decision for our panel. His inspiring journey from medicine to finance, exceptional leadership, entrepreneurial vision, and passion for helping others achieve financial independence make him an extraordinary leader in his field. We are honored to recognize him as IAOTP's Top Leader of the Year in Financial Empowerment and look forward to celebrating his achievements at this year's gala."

Looking back, Mr. Chan attributes his success to perseverance, continuous learning, exceptional mentors, and a genuine passion for serving others. As he continues expanding his influence in financial education, leadership development, and wealth management, he remains committed to empowering professionals with the knowledge, strategies, and confidence to create lasting financial freedom.

For more information, please visit www.lightspeedinvesting.com.

About IAOTP

The International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP) is an international boutique networking organization that selects the world's most distinguished and accomplished professionals across a wide range of industries. These elite professionals are provided opportunities to collaborate, share insights, serve as keynote speakers, and inspire others within their fields. Membership is not open to the general public. Candidates must be personally invited by the President or nominated by an esteemed honorary member following a brief interview.

IAOTP's experts have recognized and credentialed thousands of top-tier professionals worldwide, helping them strengthen their personal brands and expand their influence. The organization prides itself on being a one-of-a-kind boutique network that handpicks only the most exceptional individuals and brings them together on a premier platform designed to foster meaningful connections and professional growth. IAOTP remains one of the most elite and highly respected professional recognition organizations in the world.

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