

Steve O'Bomsawin is the President and CEO of Asban, an Indigenous-led digital agency based in the Abenaki community of Odanak, Quebec. A committed entrepreneur and technology strategist, Steve has over 20 years of experience navigating the digital landscape. Since founding Asban in 2013, he has built a multidisciplinary team of experts delivering custom solutions in development, design, multimedia production, digital marketing, IT infrastructure, AI and automation, cybersecurity, and consulting; serving businesses, Indigenous communities and organizations across Canada and beyond.

Steve leads digital transformation initiatives that help businesses and Indigenous organizations modernize operations, strengthen governance, and enhance service delivery. Drawing on his deep expertise in strategy, infrastructure, and process optimization, he helps leadership teams implement technology solutions that are both technically robust and culturally aligned. His work enables communities to become more autonomous, efficient, and digitally sovereign; bridging the gap between innovation and tradition.

Outside of his professional life, Steve is a private helicopter pilot and lifelong tech enthusiast. As a proud Abenaki, Steve's work is driven by a deep commitment to community empowerment, innovation, and creating lasting impact for the next seven generations.

Robin Stewart has over 20 years of experience driving customer solutions in the Financial Services industry and is currently Head of Canadian Business Banking Product Management and Business Strategy at BMO. He joined BMO in 2001 and has held leadership roles in Business Banking, Credit Risk Management, Decision Support and Analytics, Branch Operations, Investment Sales and Payments Operations. In his current role, Robin manages Business Banking Products, Programs, Employee technology and Risk strategies. Industry, Government and Community Programs play an a very important role in BMO's Business Banking growth strategy and his team develops and implements this portfolio of programs, including BMO's industry leading Zero Barriers to Business programs for Black and Indigenous Entrepreneurs.

Robin holds an honours degree in Mathematics/Operations Research from the University of Waterloo and an MBA from Queen's University. Additionally, he is a CFA charter holder and holds the CPA accounting designation.