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FINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2020 ACES OF FINANCE COMPETITION (10th EDITION) AND ASSOCIATION CONFIRMS POSTPONEMENT OF GALA

MONTREAL, March 30, 2020 — The [Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada](#), an all-industry professional association for senior financial executives, announces the names of the finalists in this year's 10th edition of its **Aces of Finance** competition. The nominees submitted their candidacies in one of the three categories below and will be rigorously assessed by an independent jury who will select the 2020 winners.

THE 2020 FINALISTS ARE:

“Financial executive of a large corporation” category

- Sylvain Paré, CPA, CGA, Executive Vice President, Finance, Fonds de solidarité FTQ
- Dominic Picard, CPA, CA, Executive Vice President, IT and Chief Financial Officer, QSL
- Claude Tessier, CPA, CA, Chief Financial Officer, Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc.

“Financial executive of a small or medium-sized enterprise” category

- Suzanne Bertrand, CPA, CA, Chief Financial Officer, Rodeo FX
- Louis-Charles Genest, CPA, CA, Vice President, Finance & Administration, district m
- Jean Lavigueur, CPA, CA, Chief Financial Officer, Coveo

“Emerging financial executive” category

- Frédérick Angers, CPA, CMA, CFA, Vice President of Finance, Powersports Group, BRP
- Vincent Hamel, CPA, CA, Vice President Finance, Partner, Sid Lee
- Marie-Eve Meunier, CPA, CA, Corporate Controller, Recochem

10th anniversary gala officially postponed

Because it is currently impossible to predict the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with directives from the Institut national de santé publique du Québec, the Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada and the 2020 Aces of Finance organizing committee announces the cancellation of the gala planned for May 6 at the Parquet in the Jacques-Parizeau building. The organizing committee is presently assessing possible options and will decide in the coming weeks how and when the names of the winners will be announced.

“For the past 10 years, the competition has been bringing to the attention of the business world those financial executives who have distinguished themselves by their rigour, perseverance and knowledge, serving as an inspiration to us all. In that light, our association will do everything it can, despite the COVID-19 situation, to honour the 2020 finalists, along with all previous winners of the competition since its creation. Even in this exceptional context, it will be a truly inspiring moment for the entire business community and for me,” said Catherine Allard, President of the Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada.

An outstanding honorary chairperson

This 10th anniversary competition has been presided over by **Macky Tall**, Head of Liquid Markets at Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec and President and Chief Executive Officer of CDPQ Infra. Under his esteemed direction and with support from the organizing committee, all chief financial officers, vice presidents of finance and senior financial executives across Quebec were invited to submit their candidacies.

Birth of a prestigious competition

Created 10 years ago, the competition was an original idea proposed by Board member Bertrand Lauzon, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer at BFL Canada. The aim was to identify and recognize the professional achievements and community engagement of various outstanding financial executives, as well as to underline the vital role they play within their organization and their strategic contribution to its success.

In addition to delivering the expected results, the competition has become an important tool in promoting and raising the profile of the profession while contributing to the growth of many careers in finance.

Presentation of 2020 Homage Award

The competition's 10th anniversary will also be marked by the presentation of the **Aces of Finance Homage Award** to an outstanding financial executive who has had a distinguished career. This year's recipient is **Louis-Philippe Carrière**, FCPA, FCA. Mr. Carrière worked at Saputo Inc. for over 30 years before retiring in 2017. Since then, he has been serving as director and senior advisor for the company. Joining Saputo in 1986, his long career at the company included various management positions in finance and administration. As Chief Financial Officer of Saputo from 1996 to 2017, Mr. Carrière helped formulate growth strategies and developed the company's financial strategy. He has been a member of the Ordre des comptables professionnels agréés du Québec (CPA du Québec) since 1985. He was appointed a Fellow of the Ordre in 2007. He also sits on the Board of WSP Inc. and chairs their audit committee.

Valued partners

The competition and event surrounding the presentation of the Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada's **2020 Aces of Finance** winners are made possible by the collaboration of our [valued partners](#), whom we would like to thank: Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec, Mandrake Vézina Lebeau, Ordre des CPA du Québec, PwC and *La Presse*.

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Financial Executives International Canada (FEI Canada) is the leading voice and informed choice for senior financial executives across the country. With 12 chapters and close to 1,600 members, FEI Canada provides professional development, networking opportunities, thought leadership and advocacy services to its members.

The Quebec Chapter represents close to 200 members. This association's membership consists of senior level financial executives spanning various industries, functions and disciplines, representing a significant number of Canada's leading and most influential corporations. For more information, please visit <https://www.feicanada.org/AS2020> or follow us on LinkedIn.

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