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### **Finalists Announcement of the 12th Edition of the Aces of Finance Competition**

**MONTREAL, March 28, 2022** — The Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada, a cross-sectorial professional association of senior executives in finance, is pleased to announce the finalists for its annual Aces of Finance competition. Created in 2011, the competition recognizes the professional achievements and community involvement of outstanding financial executives in Quebec. An independent jury will oversee the evaluation process to select the 2022 winners among the finalists who have qualified in one of the three categories. The gala will be held on May 4 to honour the finalists and winners.

“The Aces of Finance 2022 participants have managed to hold their own against the backdrop of the pandemic over the past two years, nevertheless succeeding to motivate their respective teams so that they surpass themselves”, remarks Martin Lebeau, MBA, CPA, CA, Chief Financial Officer, Accedian, and president of the Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada. “We have also noticed a sharp increase in the number of applications from women in finance, a trend we would like to see continue in future editions of the competition.”

#### **The 2022 finalists are:**

##### **“Financial executive of a large corporation” category**

- Mélissa Gilbert, ASC, FCPA, FCA, Executive Vice-President and Lead – Finance, Beneva
- Rémy Langelier, CPA, CMA, Chief Financial Officer, The Master Group
- Isabelle Lemay, CPA, CMA, Chief Financial & Operation Officer, Legault Group

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

- Brigitte Hervieu, CPA, CA, Vice-President Finance, Operations and HR, Mobilia
- Daniel Plante, Adm. A., CPA, CGA, Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer and Administration, Biron Health Group
- Ingy Sarraf, MBA, PPCC, CPA, CA, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary, GURU Organic Energy

##### **“Emerging financial executive” category**

- Ines Gbegan, CPA, CA, Vice-President Finance Quebec and Maritimes, Transdev Canada
- Marianne Limoges, MBA, Treasurer and Vice-President, Investor Relations, Resolute Forest Products
- David Mérineau, CFA, Vice-President, Mergers & Acquisitions, CGI

### **An in-person gala to celebrate our financial executives**

After two years of virtual galas, the Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada is happy to be able to hold its gala in person this spring under **Mr. Guy Cormier, President and Chief Executive Officer of Desjardins Group as Honorary Chair**. The finalists will be presented and the three winners will be unveiled on this occasion. The atmosphere will be festive! The gala will be held on **May 4, 2022**, from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Four Seasons Hotel Montreal. A ticket or a table of ten guests may be reserved on the FEI Canada, [Quebec Chapter](#) website starting in April.

### **Presentation of the 2022 Homage Award**

A financial leader who has distinguished themselves throughout their career is presented with the Aces of Finance Homage Award at each gala. This year's recipient is **Mr. Laurence Sellyn**. Mr. Sellyn served as Senior Vice President, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer at Gildan Activewear Inc. for 16 years before retiring in 2015. Since then, he has advised business leaders and is a director at Loop Industries. Mr. Sellyn previously worked at Domtar Inc. and Wajax Inc., and served on the boards of Cascades Inc., Heritage Montreal and several charitable and cultural organizations. He holds an MA in Modern Languages and Literature from Oxford University. In addition, he was named CFO of the Year by Canadian Business Magazine in 2005.

Thank you to our sponsors, whose generosity makes the Aces of Finance competition and the winners' gala possible: **BFL CANADA, the CDPQ, Mandrake Vézina Lebeau, the Quebec CPA Order, PwC, and La Presse.**

### **About Financial Executives International Canada (FEI Canada)**

Financial Executives International Canada (FEI Canada) is a professional association of **senior level financial executives** spanning various industries with up to 1,500 members and 12 regional chapters across Canada.

The **Quebec Chapter** is the only association in the province that caters exclusively to senior level managers and chief financial officers in a variety of industries. The association offers its 200 members a unique opportunity to exchange and network with professionals who share and understand their reality and issues. It also allows them to develop professionally, whether through expert conferences and workshops, and to pass on their expertise to the next generation through the new mentorship program. The profession is also celebrated, notably at the annual awards ceremony: The Aces of Finance.

The numerous events held by the Quebec Chapter of FEI Canada are made possible thanks to the collaboration of our valued partners, for which we are profoundly grateful: BFL CANADA, CDPQ, Quebec CPA Order, Mandrake Vézina Lebeau, PwC, Deloitte, National Bank Financial Markets, Robert Half Canada, Dollarama, EY, KPMG, Marsh Canada, Randstad Canada, Sun Life, Talinko, WTW, Corpay, Encore Travel, Finmetrix, Mazars, Unixia, Bank of America, and La Presse.

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