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**Official launch of the nomination period for the
Economic and Financial Journalism Awards of Excellence
in partnership with the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec and Finance Montréal**

Montreal, October 18, 2017 – The Association des économistes québécois, in collaboration with its partners, the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec and Finance Montréal, today announced the launch of the candidate submissions period for the 21th annual Economic and Financial Journalism Awards of Excellence. This prestigious competition is intended to publicly recognize journalists who cover business and financial news for their role in providing information and analysis and making it understandable. Awards of \$10,000, \$5,000 and \$2,500 will be issued to the winners at a ceremony set to take place at the Édifice Jacques-Parizeau in early 2018.

Nominations and prizes

The Economic and Financial Journalism Awards of Excellence are open to all journalists practicing their profession on behalf of print, audiovisual or electronic media whose main market is in Québec or to Québec correspondents for a Canadian media. To qualify, candidates must submit, **by November 13, 2017**, an economic or financial report published or broadcast between September 1, 2016, and August 31, 2017. Awards of excellence will be presented in the three following categories: long report; short report; and column, news analysis, commentary or editorial.

Note that all documents must be submitted electronically, including the registration form, the report submitted and the candidate's photograph. Competition rules, category descriptions and registration information are available from the Association or on its website: www.economistesquebecois.com.

The jury is composed of journalists or former journalists, in accordance with the criteria of experience and the code of ethics of the profession. Since this year, the jury has been constituted by the Fédération professionnelle des journalistes du Québec, on behalf of the Association des économistes du Québec.

Awards partners

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organization works to enhance Montréal's reputation as world-class financial hub and engages in international business development activities to attract foreign firms in Montréal by promoting various fiscal incentives including the IFC tax credit. Finance Montréal fosters cooperation among a vast range of institutions to stimulate the industry's growth while raising awareness of the financial specializations found in Montréal. To learn more about Finance Montréal, visit www.finance-montreal.com.

The **Association des économistes Québécois**, main group of francophone economists in America is a thriving association active in various sectors: private business, public sector, unions, associations, universities. It focuses on the development and dissemination of economic knowledge, bringing light in public debates and the enhancement of the role of the economist. In keeping with its slogan "For informed choices", the Association is recognized as a credible and impartial stakeholder in economic debates. To find out more about the Association and its activities, visit the website at www.economistesquebecois.com and social networks [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Twitter](#).

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