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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 19, 2016** – 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 Centre CDP Capital in early 2017.

**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 14, 2016**, an economic or financial report published or broadcast between September 1, 2015, and August 31, 2016. 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](http://www.economistesquebecois.com).

**Awards partners**

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The Association des économistes québécois is the main organization linking economists in Québec and is dedicated to the professional advancement of its 700 members. Its primary objective is to foster the development and dissemination of economic knowledge, to enlighten public debate and to provide support for the role of economists. In keeping with its slogan, “Pour des choix éclairés” (For enlightened choices), the Association is recognized as a credible and impartial opinion leader in economic debates. Founded in 1975, it is a dynamic association open not only to economists but to anyone interested in economic and financial issues. [www.economistesquebecois.com](http://www.economistesquebecois.com)

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