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Conference of Montreal

July, 11-13, 2022

PROGRAM

Live from Montreal
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022  
ECONOMY, FINANCE AND NET ZERO

8h30  
OPENING OF THE 28TH EDITION OF THE CONFERENCE OF MONTREAL Live from ENGIE Studio

WELCOMING REMARKS
François Legault, Premier of Québec
Valérie Plante, Mayor of Montréal
Paul Desmarais Jr., Chairman, Power Corporation of Canada (in person)
Nicholas Rémillard, CEO, International Economic Forum of the Americas (IEFA) (in person)

9h00  
INAUGURAL PLENARY SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio

LEADING IN UNCERTAIN TIMES

The road to decarbonization and net zero requires a path from ambition to action, which leads to adjusting corporate culture, investing capital as well as reshuffling strategic priorities in day-to-day operations. Beyond goal setting, what does it actually take to lead the net zero transition? To what extent does the net zero transition constitute an historic investment opportunity? How do we make global leaders and corporations accountable?

SPEAKERS
Patrick Martin, President Delegate, Mouvement des entreprises de France (MEDEF) (in person)
Pablo Hernández de Cos, Governor, Banco de España
Boon Chye Loh, CEO, Singapore Exchange
Sim Tshabalala, Group CEO, Standard Bank Group
Odile Renaud-Basso, President, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Moderated by Simon Mundy, Moral Money Editor, Financial Times (in person)

10h00  
PLENARY SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio

A TURNING POINT IN THE MARKET: HOW TO REINVENT BUSINESS

The history of capitalism is marked with many technological turning points which inevitably created winning opportunities, and losing consequences. Have we experienced a critical change in technology since the start of the global health crisis in 2020? What types of risks have a chance to help businesses stay competitive in the next decade? How can leaders create or identify coming pivotal moments to better adapt and prepare to an evolving set of challenges and opportunities?

SPEAKERS
Chet Kanojia, Co-Founder and CEO, Starry (in person)
Yun Zhang, CEO, Wyze
FORUM 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio

**GREEN DIPLOMACY: THE NECESSITY OF A RENEWED DIALOGUE**

The new objectives of sustainable development and reduction of environmental impact are forcing states and companies to rethink their operating models, while remaining profitable. What role does international diplomacy play in promoting these goals? How can we assess the economic benefits that result from adopting a sustainable model? How to encourage adherence to and promotion of these new environmental standards?

**INTRODUCTION**

Marc Croteau, Deputy Minister, Ministry of the Environment and of the Fight against climate change, Québec (in person)

**SPEAKERS**

Florian Mayneris, Professor of Economics, Université du Québec à Montreal (UQAM) (in person)

Luis Felipe López-Calva, Assistant Secretary-General and UNDP Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean, United Nations (in person)

Finn Mortensen, Executive Director, State of Green

Moderated by Chantal Line Carpenter, Chief, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) New York Office of the Secretary-General (in person)

FORUM 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio

**ACCESS TO GREEN FINANCE: A GLOBAL CHALLENGE FOR THE FRANCOPHONE WORLD**

Green growth and sustainable development are henceforth prerogatives for all economic sectors, from multinationals to SMEs – nevertheless, the access to green financing, necessary for the development of many sustainable projects, is full of obstacles, particularly in the non-Anglophone world. What tools would be most adequate to support companies in their access to green financing? What regulatory framework could States develop in order to bridge the sustainable initiatives with the right and appropriate source of funding? How do we get over the language barrier in regions of a world with multiple lingua francas?

**INTRODUCTION**

Geoffroi Montpetit, Administrator, International Organisation of La Francophonie (OIF)

**SPEAKERS**

Mélanie Le Berre, Executive Director, Partenariat Climat Montréal (in person)

Eustache Muhanzi Mubembe, Minister of State, Minister of Entrepreneurship and SMEs, Democratic Republic of the Congo (in person)

Cécile Martin-Phippss, Director, Institut de la Francophonie pour le développement durable (IFDD) (in person)

Joseph Nganga, Executive Director, Power & Climate Africa ; Power & Climate and The Global Energy Alliance for People and Planet, The Rockefeller Foundation

Moderated by Adeyemi Sandra Freitas, Founder and CEO, Sustainable Solutions for Africa (SSA) (in person)
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ROUND-TABLE 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio
In collaboration with HEC Montréal

INTEGRATING ESG REPORTING IN SMEs

The integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance criteria by companies is becoming one of the most important mechanisms of our time to meet the UN Sustainable Development Goals and more specifically to help us transition to a net zero economy. In this context, how do we ensure that micro and small businesses are included and adequately supported? How can we support aspiring entrepreneurs in integrating these criteria into their activities from the very beginning of their business project? And finally, how can we build a solid ecosystem to support entrepreneurship in the integration of ESG criteria?

SPEAKERS
Michael Torrance, Chief Sustainability Officer, BMO Financial Group (in person)
Frantz Saintellemey, Co-Founder and Chairman, Groupe 3737; Chancellor and Chair of the Board, Université de Montréal (in person)
Dany Pelletier, Executive Vice-President, Investments, Fonds de solidarité FTQ (in person)
Christina Gradl, Director, Endeva

Moderated by Luciano Barin Cruz, Professor; Director and Co-Founder, IDEOS hub, HEC Montréal (in person)

16h00

WORKING SESSION 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio
In collaboration with the Ministry of International Relations and La Francophonie (MRIF)

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING: HOW TO KEEP BUSINESSES ACCOUNTABLE?

Climate change and the decline of biodiversity are among the main risks that can disrupt the global economic system; in fact, companies and financial institutions can be vectors of solutions for the development of a greener and more resilient economy. How are the different sectors of the economy exposed to environmental and climate risks? What are the existing initiatives to prepare for it? Why is disclosure of environmental and climate risks one of the key solutions?

INTRODUCTION
Elizabeth Maruma Mrema, Executive Secretary, United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (in person)

SPEAKERS
Moira Gill, Associate Vice President, Environment, Government and Industry Relations, TD Insurance; and Vice Chair, Board of Directors, UN Environment Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) (in person)
Geneviève Morin, President and CEO, Fondaction (in person)
Bridget Schrempf, Associate Director, Impact, North America, CDP Disclosure Insight Action (in person)
Marie-Hélène Labrie, Senior Vice-President and Chief Public Affairs, Communications and Strategy Officer, COGECO Inc. (in person)
Rodolfo Lacy, Director for Climate Action and Environment, Latin America, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Moderated by Sophie Cousineau, Vice President, ESG and Corporate Affairs, WSP (in person)

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**16h00**

**WORKING SESSION 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio**

*In collaboration with Polytechnique Montréal*

**THE CASE FOR A CYBERRESILIENT SOCIETY**

Faced with the risks associated with cyber threats, governments, and organizations, whatever their sector of activity, must imperatively rethink cybersecurity in a more global, multidisciplinary way, by integrating legal and normative dimensions with the inescapable technical dimensions, in order to develop cyber-resilient systems. How can we describe cyber resilience and what is its role in the various sectors of our society? How can the actors involved in these fields reduce the impact of cyber-attacks by allowing continuity of services, thus limiting potentially devastating productivity losses? What are the characteristics of a cyber-resilient organization?

**SPEAKERS**

Thierry Dassault, Deputy CEO, Groupe industriel Marcel Dassault *(in person)*

Carole Piovesan, Co-Founder and Partner, INQ-LAW *(in person)*

Gabriela Nicolescu, Director, Department of Computer Engineering and Software Engineering, Polytechnique Montréal *(in person)*

Sokratis Katsikas, Director, Norwegian Center for Cybersecurity in Critical Sectors

Martin Kupping, Founder and Principal Analyst, KuppingerCole

Moderated by Robert J. Grammig, Partner, Holland & Knight *(in person)*

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**17h00**

**CLOSING FIRESIDE CHAT SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio**

**THE INNOVATION IN FINANCIAL STRATEGIES TOWARDS NET ZERO**

**SPEAKER**

Masatsugu Asakawa, President, Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Interviewed by Kana Inagaki, Tokyo Bureau Chief, Financial Times
# CLIMATE CHANGE, ENERGY AND MOBILITY

## TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022

### 8h00

**OPENING FIRESIDE CHAT SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio**

**ASIA’S PERSPECTIVE IN BUILDING THE WORLD’S SUPERSTRUCTURE**

**SPEAKER**

Jin Liqun, President, Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)

Moderated by Vincent Duhamel, Chairman, Diagnos; and Director, Richardson Financial *(in person)*

### 8h30

**FIRESIDE CHAT SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio**

**ELECTRIFYING AMERICA’S NORTHEAST**

**SPEAKER**

Serge Abergel, Chief Operating Officer, Hydro-Québec Energy Services U.S *(in person)*

Moderated by Andrée-Anne St-Arnaud, Economics journalist, Radio Canada *(in person)*

### 9h00

**PLENARY SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio**

**NAVIGATING THE ENERGY TRANSITION**

As the energy transition accelerates, the next decade will be critical for proving the viability of alternative energy solutions. Considering the shifts in how energy is produced and consumed, how do energy companies manage to adapt and diversify their strategies? How does technology contribute to power the future? What will be the financial opportunities and challenges for investors, policymakers and energy companies?

**SPEAKERS**

Tom Werner, Chair of the Board, FLO *(in person)*
Praveer Sinha, CEO and Managing Director, Tata Power Company Limited
André de Ruyter, Group Chief Executive, Esskom
Robert M. Blue, Chair, President and CEO, Dominion Energy

Moderated by Louis-Nicolas Boulanger, Partner, McCarthy Tétrault *(in person)*

### 10h00

**PLENARY SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio**

**FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE: SEIZING TECHNOLOGY’S POTENTIAL**

As technologies are developing faster and tackling ever more challenging issues, they are becoming our best allies for limiting and reducing the impacts of climate change. Which technologies are currently having the most innovative impact on this issue? How can we accelerate their development and their distribution? Where does technology stop being the solution?

**SPEAKERS**

Roy Harvey, President and CEO, Alcoa *(in person)*
Mathias Miedreich, CEO, Umicore *(in person)*
Orral Nadjadi, Founder and CEO, Britishvolt *(in person)*

Moderated by Ali Amadee, Partner, Dentons *(in person)*
TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022

11h00
FORUM 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio
In collaboration with the Ministry of International Relations and La Francophonie (MRIF)

CLEAR SKIES AHEAD: DECARBONIZING THE AERONAUTICAL INDUSTRY

In February 2022, 42 States signed the Toulouse Declaration which reaffirms the commitment of the signatories to decarbonize the aviation sector by 2050. What does this declaration mean for the main players in the aeronautical sector? What changes are needed to achieve this goal? What are the opportunities and obstacles that the international aeronautical sector will have to face?

INTRODUCTION
Juan Carlos Salazar, Secretary General, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) (in person)

SPEAKERS
Philippe Rainville, President and CEO, Aéroports de Montréal (in person)
Hélène Gagnon, Chief Sustainability Officer and Senior Vice President, Stakeholder Engagement, CAE (in person)
Haldane Dodd, Executive Director, Air Transport Action Group

Moderated by Suzanne Benoît, President and CEO, Aéro Montréal (in person)

11h00
FORUM 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio
In collaboration with the Regroupement des jeunes chambres de commerce du Québec (RJCCQ)

LIMITING OUR IMPACTS BY ACCELERATING CARBON CAPTURE

Considering the continuous challenges and those to come in the fight against climate change, carbon capture technology, recommended by the IPCC group of experts, receives increasing attention. What are Quebec’s ambitions in relation to carbon capture? What solutions can businesses build up in order to achieve net zero if not a negative sum of emissions? What are the technological priorities to put forward in carbon capture?

SPEAKERS
Chris Stern, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, Carbicrete (in person)
Nicole Hurtubise, CEO, Tree Canada (in person)
Mylène Champagne, Environmental Director, Metro Inc. (in person)

Moderated by Pierre Graff, CEO, Regroupement des jeunes chambres de commerce du Québec (RJCCQ) (in person)

12h00
FIRESIDE CHAT SESSION Live from COGECO Studio
In collaboration with Hydro-Québec

A NEW GRID : OPTIMIZING ENERGY CONSUMPTION

SPEAKER
Éric Filion, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating and Customer Experience Officer, Hydro-Québec (in person)

Moderated by Marine Thomas, Editor in Chief, Les Affaires (in person)
### TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022

#### 12h30
**EXCLUSIVE LUNCHEON Live from ENGIE Studio**  
*In collaboration with the Fonds de solidarité FTQ*

**WHAT'S NEXT FOR THE GLOBAL ECONOMY?**

**SPEAKER**
Mark Carney, Vice Chair and Head of Transition Investing, Brookfield Asset Management; and United Nations Special Envoy for Climate Action and Finance *(in person)*

Introduced by Janie C. Béïque, President and CEO, Fonds de solidarité FTQ *(in person)*

Interviewed by Vinay Shandal, Managing Director and Partner, Toronto, Boston Consulting Group (BCG) *(in person)*

**CONCLUDING REMARKS**
Paul Desmarais Jr., Chairman, Power Corporation of Canada *(in person)*

#### 13h30
**FIRESIDE CHAT SESSION Live from COGECO Studio**

**STRENGTHENING THE ECONOMY VIA INNOVATION**

**SPEAKERS**
François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, Canada *(in person)*
Ivan Vella, Chief Executive, Aluminium, Rio Tinto *(in person)*

Moderated by David L. McAusland, Counsel, McCarthy Tétrault *(in person)*

#### 14h00
**PLENARY SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio**

**CUTTING EDGE TECH IN THE NEW SPACE FRONTIER**

Space flight and exploration, an activity once exclusively funded and performed by governments now seems to be an interesting endeavor for the private sector. However, are these business models economically viable? Is it bound to be like the plane constructor sector where there can only be very few actors due to the immense cost of entry? What are the technological limits to this new age of space endeavor?

**SPEAKERS**
Dan Hart, President and CEO, Virgin Orbit *(in person)*
Janet Kavandi, President, Sierra Space *(in person)*
Mike Greenley, CEO, MDA *(in person)*

Moderated by Brian Gallant, CEO, Space Canada *(in person)*

#### 14h50
**LIGHTNING TALK Live from ENGIE Studio**

**SPEAKER**
Cameron Dick, Treasurer and Minister for Trade and Investment, Queensland Government *(in person)*
## TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022

### 15h00

**ROUND-TABLE 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio**

**GLOBAL SOLUTIONS THROUGH THE ENERGY TRANSITION**

The path to a successful global energy transition contains key hurdles that must be overcome to accomplish targeted outcomes while still meeting the energy needs of today. As we focus on building a decarbonized world, how can we work together across borders to establish the framework needed for success? Can progress be accelerated as we find harmonized solutions that allow for international collaboration? What are the strategies that will allow us to work toward consistent regulatory framework and government policy across jurisdictions?

**COMING SOON**

### 15h00

**ROUND-TABLE 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio**

*In collaboration with Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED)*

**A GREENER FUTURE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY: RETHINKING SUPPLY CHAINS PRACTICES**

On-road transportation accounts for 20% of Canada’s greenhouse gas emissions, and the transportation industry is on the brink of a great transition toward electrification and low carbon fuels, which requires building new supply chains within short timelines. What is the scale of transformation needed in Canada to meet Canada’s mandatory target of zero-emission passenger vehicles and light duty trucks by 2035? What innovations and innovative business models can Canada leverage to seize the opportunity lead and to chart the path forward? Does Canada have the necessary talent, reskilling strategies to support this emerging sector?

**SPEAKERS**

- **Marc Bédard**, President and Founder, Lion Electric *(in person)*
- **Adrian Tylko**, Head, Business Development USA - Americas, Blue Solutions *(in person)*
- **Marissa West**, President and Managing Director, General Motors Canada *(in person)*

Moderated by **Mark Schaan**, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada *(in person)*

### 16h00

**WORKING SESSION 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio**

*In collaboration with the Ministry of International Relations and La Francophonie (MRIF)*

**THE DILEMMA OF ADAPTING MINING PRACTICES TO ESG STANDARDS**

While critical and strategic minerals are essential to support the energy and technological transition, their extraction must be carried out in compliance with high environmental, social and governance standards. What are the modern mining practices and standards that each region implements? How can we standardize these practices in order to create a stronger market? How can we increase the transparency of supply chains, especially that of battery manufacturers, so that these standards are prioritized?

**INTRODUCTION**

- **Nathalie Camden**, Associate Deputy Minister of Mines, Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, Québec *(in person)*

**SPEAKERS**

- **Abigail Seadler Wulf**, Vice President and Director, Critical Minerals Strategy, Securing America’s Future Energy (SAFE) *(in person)*
- **Volker Steinbach**, Vice President, Head of Department, Natural Resources, Federal Institute for Geosciences and Natural Resources (Bundesanstalt für Geowissenschaften und Rohstoffe) *(in person)*
- **Anshuman Gaur**, Deputy High Commissioner of India to Canada *(in person)*
- **Jean-Claude Diplo**, President, Professional Association of Ivory Coast Miners (GPMC)

Moderated by **Jean-François Hould**, Director, Québec Government Office in Washington *(in person)*
#WORKING SESSION 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio

*In collaboration with Opportunities New Brunswick (ONB)*

**FOR A SMARTER AND EFFICIENT ENERGY DISTRIBUTION**

The path towards Net Zero is one that involves a number of changes in energy supply, distribution and consumption, by going through a process of digitalization, of building new smart grids, self-sufficient buildings and secure critical infrastructure, to name a few. What does a comprehensive energy strategy towards Net Zero entails? What is the place of new technologies and the digitalization of supply in this transition, and how fast can it be done? With this new interconnected energy reality, is cybersecurity playing a new active role in safeguarding critical infrastructure?

**SPEAKERS**

- **Karim Zaghib**, Professor of Chemical and Material Engineering, Concordia University; Professor of Practice, McGill University *(in person)*
- **Pierre Mullin**, Global Head, Custom Software Development, Digital Grid Software Solutions, Siemens *(in person)*
- **Greg Robart**, CEO, Smart Grid Innovation Network *(in person)*

Moderated by **Martin Luckett**, Energy Innovation Lead, Opportunities New Brunswick (ONB) *(in person)*

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| 17h00 | CLOSING REMARKS |
WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2022

8h00  BREAKFAST SESSION 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio
In collaboration with Global Affairs Canada

INTERNATIONAL ENERGY SECURITY AMID GROWING TENSIONS

In view of the geopolitical situation which has affected Europe this year, and the continent’s highly dependence on energy imports, we have been witnessing a major energy reset. What are Europe’s energy alternatives? What concrete actions need to be taken by European governments to ensure the bloc’s energy independence? How does this crisis impact the balance between the need for fossil fuels and the energy transition?

SPEAKERS
Jacob Irving, President and CEO, Energy Council of Canada (in person)
Adel El Gammal, Secretary General, European Energy Research Alliance (EERA)
John Cooper, Director General, FuelsEurope & Concawe
Julie Dabrusin, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Natural Resources and to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Canada (in person)

8h00  BREAKFAST SESSION 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio
In collaboration with Laval University

FEEDING THE PLANET: THE PATH TOWARDS A GREENER AND SAFER AGRICULTURE

In terms of future agricultural prospects, the impacts of climate change, international thinking around the transition of food systems towards greater resilience, sustainability and equity, as well as shocks such as the COVID 19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine can and do change the game. How, in this rapidly changing context, can agriculture contribute to the transition while remaining a central economic lever for national economies? What are the means to provide healthy, equitable and sustainable food for all? How can we ensure the resilience of a system where agricultural raw materials are greatly endangered by climate and political uncertainties?

SPEAKERS
Ken Seitz, Interim President and CEO, Nutrien (in person)
Lloyd Day, Deputy Director General, Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) (in person)
Martin Caron, General President, Union des producteurs agricoles (UPA) (in person)

Moderated by Geneviève Parent, Full Professor, Faculty of Law; and Legal Research Chair on Food Diversity and Food Security, Laval University (in person)

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PLENARY SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio
In collaboration with Fonds de Recherche du Québec (FRQ)

A DIVERSIFIED ECONOMY FOR EVERYONE IN AN INTERCONNECTED WORLD

Environmental concerns are now the main forces for the development of an economy that would take into account not only current environmental needs, but also the economic and social needs of the different stakeholders. Could approaches developed by the scientific community, such as the ecological economy and the circular economy, be further considered to combine these economic imperatives? How can new technologies help in the development of a diversified economy? Is the agri-food sector a good place to experiment with these economic approaches and bring about the necessary changes?

INTRODUCTION
Remi Quirion, Chief Scientist of Québec

SPEAKERS
Jérôme Dupras, Professor, Department of Natural Sciences, Université du Québec en Outaouais (in person)
Moran Hadad, President and Founder, Floresta (in person)
Ismahane Elouafi, Chief Scientist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
Rasmus Bjerngaard, Co-Founder and CEO, Nextfood

Moderated by Pradnya Joshi, National Weekend Editor, The Washington Post (in person)

LIGHTNING TALK Live from ENGIE Studio

SPEAKER
George Spezza, Director, Economic Development, Niagara Region (in person)

PLENARY SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio

RESKILLING REVOLUTION: BROADENING THE HORIZON OF EXPERTISE

The aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic left the world with many disrupted economies, high unemployment rates, and yet a glimpse of positive outcome regarding the creation of new jobs. How A.I. and digitalization will continue to influence the industries in their operations and recruitment? How can businesses and industries better implement diversity and inclusion as core values? How can we encourage the collaboration of different sectors to ensure the access of a better job market for everyone?

SPEAKERS
Linda Hasenfratz, Chairman and CEO, Linamar Corporation (in person)
Sean Hinton, Founder and CEO, SkyHive Technologies (in person)
Jonas Prising, Chairman and CEO, ManpowerGroup
Naadiya Moosajee, Co-Founder and CEO, WomHub

Moderated by Helen Antoniou, Chair of the Board of Governors, Concordia University (in person)
### WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2022

#### 11h00

**FORUM 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio**  
*In collaboration with Ville de Montréal*

**HOW TO BUILD, INVEST AND DEVELOP THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY**

In the face of the climate emergency, accelerating the transition from our linear economy to a circular model is emerging as part of the solution to encourage a green and sustainable economic recovery, and to modulate our production and consumption models towards an economic paradigm shift. To what extent does the circular economy act as a vector of change in the urban ecosystem? How can we take advantage of the opportunities offered by the reintroduction of resources into the economy? How can the mobilization of all ecosystem actors and sectoral value chains be accentuated?

**SPEAKERS**
- Jean-Luc Lavergne, Founder, President and CEO, Lavergne *(in person)*
- Julie Poitras-Saulnier, CEO and Co-Founder, Loop Mission *(in person)*
- Oriana Romano, Head of Unit, Water Governance and Circular Economy, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Cities and Regions, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- Jocelyn Blériot, Executive Lead, International Institutions & Governments, Ellen MacArthur Foundation

Moderated by Benoit Forcier, Senior Partner, Circular Innovation Fund *(in person)*

#### 11h00

**FORUM 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio**  
*In collaboration with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC)*

**WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP IN THE TRANSITION TO LOW CARBON ECONOMIES**

Gender equality is proving necessary to successful adaptation to climate change and the transition to low-carbon economies, not least because it unleashes women’s leadership. How are women leading in the transition to greener economies as heads of enterprises, organizations and community-led initiatives? How can solutions build from the household up and consider the unequal burden that women often bear as primary caregivers? How can today’s promising innovations secure a truly sustainable future on a global scale?

**SPEAKERS**
- Lykke Andersen, Executive Director, Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN), Bolivia
- Amy Melissa Chua, Country Director, Philippines Partnership for Sustainable Agriculture (PPSA)
- Divine Foundjem Tita, Marketing Scientist, World Agroforestry Centre, Cameroon

Moderated by Erin Tansey, Director, Sustainable Inclusive Economies, International Development Research Centre (IDRC) *(in person)*

#### 12h00

**FIRESIDE CHAT SESSION Live from ENGIE Studio**

**REBUILDING CO-OPERATION IN A FRAGMENTED WORLD**

**SPEAKER**
- Mathias Cormann, Secretary-General, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

#### 12h30

**NETWORKING LUNCHEON**
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<td><strong>BEYOND COVID-19: IS GLOBAL RESEARCH READY FOR THE NEW CHALLENGES?</strong></td>
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<td>Gary Kobinger, Director, Galveston National Laboratory (in person)</td>
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<td>Moderated by Julie Shouldice, Vice-President, Strategy, Regions, and Policy, International Development Research Centre (IDRC) (in person)</td>
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<td><strong>CREATING TOMORROW’S METropolis</strong></td>
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<td>Metropolises are vectors of innovation, where digital technologies create new opportunities for growth and jobs. In a post-pandemic setting, what are the main strategic objectives of local governments in terms of digital development? What type of technological solutions are currently being designed by the private sector to modernize urban design in line with the major orientations of public administrations in 2022? How does artificial intelligence contribute to the development objectives of a metropolis dedicated to serve citizens, with the objective to increase a sustainable quality of life?</td>
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<td>Governments have a key role in encouraging and creating favorable conditions for collaboration between industry, research and finance to improve innovation processes at the national, regional and international levels. How can we increase collaboration between these parties? How can public policies play a more decisive role in bringing these different actors together and creating favorable conditions? What types of financial instruments should be favored to achieve the objectives of the Paris Agreement?</td>
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2022

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ROUND-TABLE 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio

In collaboration with Concordia University

THE FUTURE OF CYBERSECURITY

As interconnectivity increases, understanding and anticipating cybersecurity-related challenges in different economic sectors has become imperative. What are the cybersecurity issues and impacts in such sectors as finance and mobility? What are the potential challenges now, and how can we anticipate them in future? How should our daily lives and habits, indelibly intertwined with technology, be protected from possible cyber-attacks?

INTRODUCTION

Graham Carr, President and Vice-Chancellor, Concordia University (in person)

SPEAKERS

Charles Eagan, Chief Technology Officer, Blackberry (in person)
Sami Khoury, Head, Canadian Centre for Cyber Security (in person)
Wendy Thomas, President and CEO, Secureworks (in person)

Moderated by Mourad Debbabi, Dean of the Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science, Concordia University (in person)

16h00

WORKING SESSION 1 (simultaneously) Live from ENGIE Studio

In collaboration with the Ministry of International Affairs and La Francophonie (MRIF)

HOW CAN AI CONTRIBUTE TO THE GREEN TRANSITION?

The establishment of the Montreal International Center of Expertise for Artificial Intelligence, one of the two centers of expertise of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (PMIA), attests Quebec's role as a world leader in AI and contributes to the diversification of the ecosystem. What are Quebec's international ambitions in terms of AI? How can AI contribute to the green transition? How are other international partners using AI to achieve their sustainable development goals?

SPEAKERS

Sophie Fallaha, Executive Director, International Centre of Expertise in Montreal on Artificial Intelligence (CEIMIA) (in person)
Marloes Pomp, Founder, International Strategy and Partnerships, Netherlands AI Coalition (in person)
Jean-Simon Venne, Chief Technology Officer and Co-Founder, BrainBox AI (in person)
Michel Bonsaint, Representative of the Government of Québec in the Permanent Delegation of Canada to UNESCO

Moderated by Ludovic Soucisse, Director of Communications and Public Affairs, MILA (in person)

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WORKING SESSION 2 (simultaneously) Live from COGECO Studio

THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION IN A TALENT-BASED ECONOMY

A proper post-secondary education system is proving necessary in order to achieve a certain level of financial, political, and social stability in society. How are new forms of education being developed after the Covid-19 pandemic? How important is making education accessible to all members of society? Can we predict the skills that will be in highest demand in the short and long term?

SPEAKERS

Chad Gaffield, CEO, U15-Group of Canadian Research Universities (in person)
Gina Cody, Corporate Director and Benefactor, Gina Cody School of Engineering & Computer Science, Concordia University (in person)
Jim Nicell, Dean and Professor, Faculty of Engineering, McGill University (in person)
Fabian Moreno, Senior Lecturer and Academic Program Coordinator, Entrepreneurship and innovation Department, HEC Montreal

Moderated by Winston Chan, Member of B20-G20 Taskforce on education and employment (in person)

17h00

CLOSING REMARKS