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Opening of the call for candidates for the 2019 Laureates of Collective Excellence

Ottawa, June 17, 2019 - The Conseil de la coopération de l'Ontario (CCO) is pleased to announce the call for candidates for the 2019 Laureates of Collective Excellence

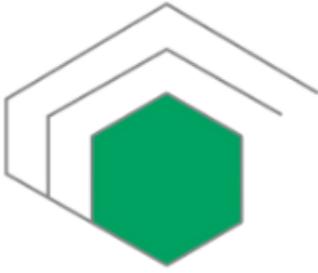
The dynamism of the cooperative movement and Franco-Ontarian social enterprises, embodied by the cooperatives, the social enterprises and the CCO is well established. Over the years, cooperation has proved itself to be an undisputed formula for efficient, flexible and adaptable formula to address a variety of needs and populations aspiring to economic and social well-being. The cooperative ideal would not have been seized without the involvement of people who believe in cooperative values and principles. In this way, more than half the francophones of Ontario are actors or members of collective businesses working in diverse economic, social and cultural sectors, among others.

At its Annual General Assembly that will take place in Timmins on September 26 2019, the CCO will recognize the remarkable engagement of cooperatives and social enterprises, as well as individuals that have distinguished themselves at the heart of the movement, by presenting two awards:

The Laureate of institutional collective excellence encourages all cooperatives, both for and not-for-profit, as well as social enterprises in their actions and engagement in their community by underlining their leadership and their achievements. The award recognizes the contribution of an organization to the growth of the social and solidarity economy in Ontario.

The Laureate of individual collective excellence solemnly recognizes the exceptional contribution of an individual in his or her cooperative, social enterprise or community. The award recognizes the exceptional devotion and involvement of a person in the promotion of socio-economic development through cooperation.

To determine candidates for these awards, the CCO invites its members and partners to send in nominations no later than August 16, 2019.



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The Conseil de la coopération de l'Ontario is the organization of choice for education, promotion, collaboration and advisory services to ensure the sustainable development of French-language and Bilingual cooperatives and social enterprises in Ontario. The CCO has offices in Ottawa, Toronto, Sudbury, Windsor and Temiskaming Shores, Winsor and Thunder Bay.

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