

JOSETTE-RENÉE LANDRY APPOINTED PRESIDENT AND CEO OF GÉNOME QUÉBEC

Montréal, November 9, 2022 – Today, the Génome Québec Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Josette-Renée Landry, PhD, as President and CEO of Génome Québec. She will officially take up the position on January 23, 2023. Josette-Renée is known for her inclusive leadership, scientific acumen, entrepreneurial vision, and communication skills. She will bring more than 20 years of experience in research and innovation, specifically in genomics, precision medicine, and digital intelligence, which are some of Québec's key sectors.

Josette-Renée is currently CEO of the Institut du Savoir Montfort and Vice President of Research and Education at Hôpital Montfort. She is also the founder of Streamline Genomics, a digital health company that combines precision medicine and artificial intelligence. Josette-Renée has many other roles, including Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Faculty of Medicine of Université de Montréal and Adjunct Professor at the Faculty of Health Sciences of the University of Ottawa. Until 2018, she was Vice President of Business Development at Mitacs. Her interest in governance and research has led her to serve on numerous boards and on a variety of academic, industry, and scientific committees.

Josette-Renée holds a PhD in genetics from the University of British Columbia and a certificate in bioinformatics, and she completed her postdoctoral fellowship at Cambridge University in England. Her research interests include health services, the identification and interpretation of genetic abnormalities in leukemia, the development of digital tools for the medical community.

Quotes

"I am delighted to welcome to the Génome Québec team the first female president and CEO in the organization's history. The candidates who applied were of a very high calibre, and Josette-Renée stood out in many respects. Her impressive track record, leadership skills, and ability to build harmonious relationships, as well as her vast academic, industry, and government network were particularly appealing to us. These are important assets in light of the challenges ahead, especially when it comes to attracting and retaining talent, diversifying sources of funding, and integrating innovation into end-user communities. I have no doubt that, in collaboration with the team in place, she will be able to provide the necessary inspiration to take Génome Québec to the next level."

Anie Perrault, Chair of the Board

"Genomics, combined with artificial intelligence and other cutting-edge technologies, is a key lever for the future of our modern societies. I want to be part of the solution, be it to provide patients with support and precision care, better equip ourselves to meet major environmental challenges, or become more self-sufficient in the event of a public health crisis. I have a vision for such solutions, and this is why I chose Génome Québec, whose mission is such an inspiration to me. It is a solid, credible organization with the necessary flexibility to see that all the benefits of genomics are understood, valued, and integrated into the socio-economic vision of our society. I will work with my team and the ecosystem's stakeholders to establish Québec as a hub for precision medicine and precision agriculture, as well as a benchmark for sustainable innovations and a model for citizen engagement."

Josette-Renée Landry, future President and CEO

About Génome Québec

Génome Québec's mission is to catalyze the development and excellence of genomics research and promote its integration and democratization. It is a pillar of the Québec bioeconomy and contributes to Québec's influence and its social and sustainable development. The funds invested by Génome Québec are provided by the Ministère de l'Économie, de l'Innovation et de l'Énergie (MEIE), the Government of Canada, through Genome Canada, and private partners. To learn more, visit www.genomequebec.com.

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