

Desjardins and the Fédération des caisses populaires acadiennes renew their partnership

Lévis (QC), Caraquet (NB), March 28, 2015 - Desjardins Group and the Fédération des caisses populaires acadiennes (FCPA) are pleased to announce the renewal of their partnership under which the FCPA, its caisses and its members, will continue to have access to Desjardins services and business solutions.

In an effort to meet FCPA members' changing needs, the agreement stipulates that Desjardins will continue to support the FCPA—as an auxiliary outside-Quebec—in a number of fields, including IT services through the AccèsD transaction site. Desjardins will also advise the FCPA on strategies, finances and administration, and provide any other information necessary to allow the FCPA to continue to stand out in the increasingly competitive financial services market.

"I am happy that we have renewed our agreement and that the Fédération des caisses populaires acadiennes continues to trust in us," said Chair of the Board, President and CEO of Desjardins Group Monique F. Leroux. "This partnership is a testament to the spirit of intercooperation that these two organizations have held high for 45 years."

Camille Thériault, president and CEO of the FCPA, said: "We're happy to renew this business partnership with Desjardins, which confirms the spirit of cooperation that has existed between our two organizations for many decades. We share common values and a strong francophone identity. This partnership with Desjardins, a strong financial player in the country, will give us the advantage of improving our services while having access to advanced technology. It goes without saying that this agreement is a major asset for the development of our projects."

About the Mouvement des caisses populaires acadiennes

Founded in 1946, the Mouvement des caisses populaires acadiennes is the largest Acadian financial institution in New Brunswick. With global assets totaling more than \$3.35 billion, this network of 15 caisses is represented by 51 business locations across New Brunswick. More than 1,000 employees and 200 elected representatives make up the backbone of the organization. For more details, visit our website at <http://www.acadie.com>.

About Desjardins Group

[Desjardins Group](#) is the leading cooperative financial group in Canada and the fifth largest cooperative financial group in the world with assets of more than \$229 billion. It has been rated one of the 50 Best Employers in Canada by Aon Hewitt. To meet the diverse needs of its members and clients, Desjardins offers a full range of products and services to individuals and businesses through its extensive distribution network, online platforms and subsidiaries across Canada. The group has one of the highest capital ratios and [credit ratings](#) in the industry. In 2014, Desjardins was named the fourth safest bank in North America by *Global Finance* magazine and the second strongest bank in the world by *Bloomberg News*.

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