



Communiqué

Suzanne Benoit and Jérémie Lepage join the QAM Board of Directors

Saint-Hubert, QC, December 12th, 2023.

The Extraordinary General Assembly of members of the Québec Aerospace Museum (QAM) on November 4, 2023 elected two new directors to sit on the organization's Board of Directors. These are Ms. Suzanne Benoit and Mr. Jérémie Lepage who respectively occupy the positions of administrator for promoting the place of women in the aerospace industry and administrator representing the next generation.

Suzanne Benoit is well known in the aerospace industry in Quebec and Canada. In fact, she acts as a certified administrator on various boards of directors and as a strategic advisor to business leaders in the aviation sector. Until recently, she held the role of CEO and founder of Aéro Montréal, Quebec's aerospace cluster, a role she has held for the last 16 years. In this capacity, she has developed extensive knowledge of the issues and ecosystem of the aerospace industry. Recognized as a woman of action with a great capacity for execution and great leadership, during her rich career she occupied numerous highly strategic positions both in the private sector and in the federal, provincial and municipal public services.

Before occupying this position at Aéro Montréal, she acted as President and CEO of Développement économique Longueuil since its founding in 2001. Previously, she led the investment prospecting team at Investissement Québec. She also worked within Hydro Québec in management positions as director of government and institutional relations and investment prospecting in the Large Business division. She began her career in the federal public service in Ottawa, where she rose through the ranks within the Department of Industry Canada and the Department of External Affairs and International Trade.

Suzanne sits on numerous boards of directors, including those of the École de Technologie Supérieure (ÉTS), the Centre d'excellence sur les drones and Investment Canada. Suzanne obtained a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in administration (MBA) from the University of Ottawa and holds the corporate director designation (IAS) from the Rotman School of Management in Toronto.

In 2017, the Prime Minister of Canada appointed her as Canada's representative to the Business Advisory Council of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum, one of the most important forums in the world.

As for Jérémie Lepage, he is currently a student in the Avionics Techniques program at the École nationale d'aérotechnique (ÉNA) and is currently starting his final year of study. Throughout his academic career, he distinguished himself by his commitment to various enriching projects. Within the "Électro-ÉNA" group (which has since become "Avionique"), Jérémie contributes to the restoration of the Cessna 170B C-FNNY, the AFSG1 Ground Power Unit and the MMG-1A Mobile Electrical Power Plant.

His technical expertise and his passion for aviation also materialized in the realization of an innovative project: the design of a test box in collaboration with students from the Frédéric Mistral high school for the French company AVdef. This initiative led to his selection to carry out tests on the company's aircraft in Nîmes, thus demonstrating his involvement in concrete projects within his field of study. Finally, Jérémie enriched his experience by completing a summer internship at AAR as an avionics technician. This practical experience allowed him to apply and strengthen his skills acquired during his studies, while contributing to his overall vision of the aviation sector.

On the Board of Directors, Suzanne Benoit and Jérémie Lepage join Hany Moustapha, President, Pierre Gillard, Secretary and founding member, and Éric Tremblay, Treasurer and founding member.

It is therefore with great pleasure that we welcome Suzanne Benoit and Jérémie Lepage to our organization.

About Québec Aerospace Museum:

The Québec Aerospace Museum was established as a non-profit society at Saint-Hubert Airport in August 2018.

The main objective of the Society is to create a museum on the property of St-Hubert Airport that will showcase for the general public the innovation and achievements of the aerospace industry in Quebec and Canada. The educational programs of the Museum will provide schools, cadets and youth movements with exclusive access to the exciting world of aerospace and help stimulate interest in aeronautics and space among younger generations.

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