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Yvan Allaire is the Chair of the Board of the Institute for Governance (IGOPP) and has been executive chair of IGOPP since its creation in 2005 until June 2020.

In 1975, Professor Allaire co-founded the strategy consulting group SÉCOR INC., which became the largest Canadian-owned consultancy. From 1996 to 2001 he was executive vice-president of Bombardier Inc.

Prolific author, Professor Allaire has published more than a hundred articles on strategy and governance. He published several books, in particular ***Black Markets and Business Blues*** (FI Press 2009) with Professor Mihaela Firsirotu which won the Silver Prize from the American Independent Publishers Association. Dr. Allaire has also published ***A Capitalism of Owners*** (2012) and ***On Becoming an Activist Board*** (2017) also co-authored with Professor Firsirotu.

He was the Chair of the Global Council on the Role of Business of the World Economic Forum and a speaker at several WEF Davos conferences. He has been a member of the board of several publicly listed and not-for-profit organizations including CGI Group, Bombardier and the Caisse de depot et placement du Québec.

Dr. Allaire holds a B.Sc. Com (*Summa cum laude*) and MBA from the Université de Sherbrooke and a PhD from MIT. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and a Chevalier de l'Ordre de Montréal.

In 2008, Dr. Allaire was selected as one of Canada's six Business Gurus by the Financial Post Magazine. He received a doctorate *honoris causa* in economics from the Academy of Economic Sciences, Bucharest, Romania for his contribution to the economic reform of the country.

Dr. Allaire is a regular contributor of opinion pieces in French and English newspapers, a commentator on business TV programs as well as a frequent speaker at corporate governance conferences.