Louis Audet, Eng., MBA, C.M.

Chairman of the Board |
Cogeco and Cogeco Communications Inc.

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Currently Chairman, Louis Audet was Executive Chairman of the Board of Cogeco Inc. and Cogeco Communications Inc., having stepped into the position between 2018 and 2021.

Mr. Audet joined Cogeco in 1981 and held the position of President and Chief Executive Officer of Cogeco Inc. and Cogeco Communications Inc. starting in 1993. Under his leadership, Cogeco became a leading Canadian communications company, operating internationally and generating revenues of over $2.3 billion annually. As Executive Chairman, Louis Audet plays an active executive role focusing on major business issues and strategies while working closely with and supporting President and Chief Executive Officer, Philippe Jetté.

In 2019, Mr. Audet was named Chair of the Fondation et Alumni de Polytechnique Montréal. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of CableLabs, the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal and the Old Brewery Mission, a major foundation which provides emergency and other services for homeless people in the Montreal area. He previously sat on the Boards of Directors of the Canadian Cable Telecommunications Association, Clarica, Collège Jean-de-Brébeuf, Corporation de l'École Polytechnique de Montréal, the Canadian Association of Broadcasters, the Association canadienne de la radio et de la télévision de langue française, and served as Governor of the Council on Canadian Unity. He was also Chairman of the Collège Jean-de-Brébeuf Development Fund.

Over the years, Mr. Audet has often been recognized by both the business and philanthropic communities for his numerous achievements. Amongst his contributions, he acted as co-Chair of the 2017 campaign for Centraide of Greater Montréal and as Chair of the 2014-2020 fundraising campaign for the Old Brewery Mission Foundation.

Mr. Audet holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Harvard Business School (Boston, MA) and graduated from École Polytechnique (Montréal) with an Engineering Degree, Electronics and Communications. He holds a college diploma (DEC) from Collège Jean-de-Brébeuf (Montréal).

Louis Audet was named Member of the Order of Canada in 2013. In 2018, he was chosen by the United Nations Association in Canada as its annual Global Citizens Laureate. That same year, he received two Honorary Doctorates from Université de Montréal and Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières. He has also been inducted into the Club des entrepreneurs du Conseil du patronat du Québec, and was awarded the Order of Merit from the Université de Montréal Alumni Association, as well as the Merit Award from École Polytechnique Alumni Association.