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2009-2010 Soirée d'excellence for Real Estate Training

THE COLLÈGE DE L'IMMOBILIER DU QUÉBEC LAUNCHES TWO NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS AND AWARDS 16 EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS OF \$1,000

(ÎLE-DES-SŒURS, April 26, 2010) – The Collège de l'immobilier du Québec and its Fondation launched two new scholarship programs during its 2009-2010 Soirée d'excellence, which took place on April 26, 2010, at the Centre Mont-Royal. The event was attended by 150 commercial real estate, residential real estate and mortgage brokerage leaders from Québec, and by gold medalist Guillaume Bastille.

In addition to the Excellence Scholarship Program launched in 2003, the two new scholarship programs offered in 2010 by the Fondation du Collège de l'immobilier du Québec are the **Scholarship Program** and the unique **Professional Development Grant**.

“We are extremely proud of our three scholarship programs. They allow us to recognize the excellence of the Collège’s top graduates; to promote the development and advancement of research into professions related to commercial real estate, residential real estate and mortgage brokerage; and to provide a financial boost to future real estate professionals”, said Francine Forget, Director General of the Collège de l'immobilier du Québec and its Fondation.

16 scholarships of \$1,000

During the 2009-2010 Soirée d'excellence, the largest real estate recognition event in Québec, a total of 16 Excellence Scholarships of \$1,000 were awarded to top students in the Real Estate Agent and Real Estate Broker Programs, in both English and French, and to top students in distance education (including virtual classes).

The recipients of these scholarships come from – and work in – the Montréal, Laval, Montérégie, Lanaudière and Laurentides regions.

Since the launch of the Excellence Program in 2003, close to \$110,000 has been awarded as Excellence Scholarships in the real estate field. *“This is an outstanding contribution to the future of real estate, and is made possible thanks to the commitment of our partners,”* said Ms. Forget, spokesperson for the Collège and its Fondation.

For the past seven years, the Collège has been rewarding academic performance by granting Excellence Scholarships to students with the **highest grade point average**. This year, 35 finalists were identified, and scholarships were awarded to 13 graduates of the Real Estate Agent Program and three graduates of the Real Estate Broker Program.

“The Collège, its Fondation and their partners congratulate the winners of this 7th Excellence Night, and re-emphasize their commitment to the training and development of Québec’s commercial real estate, residential real estate and mortgage brokerage professionals,” stated Ms. Forget.

List of the 16 Excellence Scholarship Winners

Excellence Scholarships – Real Estate Agent

CORPIQ Excellence Scholarship

Frédéric Lauzon, Manager, Business Development, National Bank (St-Bruno)

MULTI-PRÊTS Excellence Scholarship

Robert Marchand, Affiliated Real Estate Agent, Hypotheca, Courtier hypothécaire de l’Avenir (Laval)

ROYAL LEPAGE Excellence Scholarship

Anik Mercure, Affiliated Real Estate Agent, Royal LePage Altitude (Île-des-Sœurs)

IDU QUÉBEC Excellence Scholarship

Lina Sucar, Affiliated Real Estate Agent, RE/MAX 2001 Inc., (Laval)

La Capitale Excellence Scholarship

Marie-Claude Nadon, St-Eustache

CMHC Excellence Scholarship

Josée Noiseux, Affiliated Real Estate Agent, Royal LePage des Monts (Mont-Saint-Hilaire)

Desjardins Excellence Scholarship

Caroline Bascao, Affiliated Real Estate Agent, Signature immobilière Inc. (Kirkland)

Genworth Excellence Scholarship

Carlos Ghazal, Affiliated Real Estate Agent, Groupe Sutton Excellence Inc. (Laval)

Maestro Group Excellence Scholarship

Zoya Khalil, Pierrefonds

KPMG Excellence Scholarship

Valérie Fortin-Patenaude, Candiac

ACAIQ Excellence Scholarship

Doris Dimitri, Affiliated Real Estate Agent, Groupe Sutton Centre Ouest (Montréal)

REALTA Excellence Scholarship

Danièle Papazian, Montréal

Proprio Direct Excellence Scholarship

Christine Delisle, Delson

The finalists for real estate agent scholarships were:

Normand Guindon (RE/MAX TMS, Blainville); Donatella Hachem, Saint-Laurent; Benoit Maunie (La Capitale du Mont-Royal, Montréal); Nathalie Racine (Royal LePage Tradition, Boucherville); Aïda Lafrance-Rodrigue (Hypotheca Courtier Hypothécaire S.S.M. Inc., St-Constant); François Proulx (Groupe Sutton-Actuel Inc., St-Hubert); Marziale Diaco (Groupe Sutton Excellence Inc., Laval); Annamaria Arduini (Courtage immobilier Asgaard Inc., Montréal); Chunxiang Bao (Adresz Solutions, Saint-Laurent); Louis-Georges Lacombe (Groupe Sutton Immobilia Inc., Montréal); Sandro Marzitelli, Napierville, François Messier (Royal LePage Dynastie, Montréal) and Jayraume Aubertin (RE/MAX du Cartier Inc., Montréal).

Excellence Scholarships – Real Estate Broker

MCAP Excellence Scholarship

Suzanne Thibodeau, Chartered Real Estate Agent, Éco-Réseau Immobilier (Laval)

CIGM Excellence Scholarship

Zi Qi (Allen) Zhai, Chartered Real Estate Agent, Five Star Immobilier (Montréal)

FCIQ Excellence Scholarship

Marie-Claude Giroux, Chartered Real Estate Agent, Groupe Sutton Synergie Inc. (Terrebonne)

The finalists for real estate broker scholarships were:

Thierry Vicente (Multi-Prêts Hypothèques, Gatineau); Stéphanie Jutras (La Capitale Estrie, Sherbrooke); Clint Saraylian (Immodev, Ste-Thérèse), Sidney Levy (Le Groupe immobilier Vantage, Westmount); Jean-François Bleau (Fontainebleau Immobilier Inc., Laval) and Louise Leblanc (La Capitale Banlieue Est Coop, Repentigny).

This Excellence Program, unique in the Québec real estate industry, is made possible thanks to the support of our partners, whom we sincerely thank:

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Collaborators :

Association des agents et courtiers immobiliers du Québec (ACAIQ), Corporation des propriétaires immobiliers du Québec (CORPIQ), Maestro Group, KPMG, the Urban Development Institute of Québec (IDU Québec), MCAP, REALTA, Services de financement Desjardins, Royal LePage Real Estate Services and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC).

About the Collège de l'immobilier du Québec

Founded in 1993 and holding a permit from the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport, the Collège de l'immobilier du Québec is the largest real estate college in Québec. Every year, it welcomes close to 2,000 future residential real estate, commercial real estate and mortgage brokerage professionals, and more than 5,000 real estate professionals who further develop their skills through customized training. Recognized for its high standards of training and the exceptional expertise of its teaching personnel, the Collège is widely considered to be the leader in its field.

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