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Marie-Pierre Ippersiel is President and Chief Executive Officer at PRIMA Québec since 2016. Prior to this, she spent over six years working as Vice-President for the cleantech industry cluster Écotech Québec. Among other responsibilities, she managed the cluster's operations, coordinated steering committees and developed a variety of content (dissertations, studies, etc.). As Research Advisor for the Montreal Metropolitan Community (MMC) between 2004 and 2010, she helped implement the primary tools used in the Greater Montréal Economic



Development Plan, including the cluster strategy. In 2003, she produced a report on innovation in Quebec municipalities for the Conseil de la science et de la technologie. Ms. Ippersiel holds a PhD in Urban Studies from the INRS – Centre Urbanisation Culture Société, where she focused on science/industry relations and technological support for SMEs in college technology transfer centres. For over 25 years, she has focused on the dynamics of innovation ecosystems and their actors. She took part in the Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference in 2017 and co-chaired the Net-Zero Advisory Body from 2021 to 2023. She is a member of various committees, and she also sits on the boards of directors for Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique (INRS), the Quantum Innovation Zone, DistriQ and the



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