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International Partnership in Genomics: Génome Québec very proud to partner with the Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Montréal, May 23, 2017 – Daniel Coderre, President and CEO of Génome Québec, was very proud to participate on Sunday in the signing of an agreement between Génome Québec and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The event was held as part of Québec's economic mission in Israel, led by Québec Premier Philippe Couillard, along with Dominique Anglade, Québec's minister of economy, science and innovation.

Through this partnership, Génome Québec and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem hope to enrich their genomics research activities in the areas of precision medicine, agriculture, forestry, sustainable development, deep learning, artificial intelligence and big data. This agreement also aims to provide access to cutting-edge technological platforms.

"It is with great pride today that we formalize this partnership with a world-renowned institution, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. For us, the success of genomics, a disruptive technology, inevitably depends on knowledge sharing. That is why international scientific co-operation is essential—it accelerates the discovery process. With this new partnership, our organization plans to promote Québec's talent and develop opportunities for industrial and academic collaboration," said Daniel Coderre.

For Génome Québec, it is by developing international strategic partnerships like this one that the country will be able to participate in major international genomics initiatives, get Québec's expertise recognized on the world stage, and become a world reference in the field of genomics. Indeed, Québec boasts a rich pool of expertise, with researchers who stand out for their unique skill sets in key areas such as precision medicine, forestry, agriculture, artificial intelligence and deep learning.

From this perspective, Israel is a particularly important player. It is well positioned in genomics research and on the cutting-edge of numerous sectors.

About Génome Québec

Génome Québec is an economic development organization that contributes to strengthening the competitiveness of the genomics innovation system in order to maximize its socioeconomic impact in Québec. It does so by funding major genomics research initiatives and putting in place the tools necessary for scientific and strategic development in the field.

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