

# NEWSLETTER

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## About the Arbour Foundation

Created in 2005  
Since 2006 we have granted more than 500 scholarships for over 6 million \$  
We have granted  
in 2024: \$860,000  
in 2023: \$ 920,000  
in 2022: \$ 573,000  
in 2021: \$487,500  
in 2020: \$523,000

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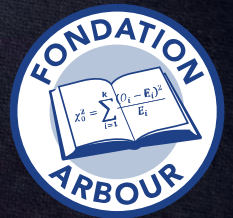
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The Arbour Foundation's next networking event will take place on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, from 5:30 to 8:30 pm. The event will be held at V1 Studio. We will have the chance to hear entrepreneurs tell us about their journeys: from lab to market! Please RSVP.

We look forward to seeing you there!  
RSVP <https://forms.gle/P7tZdNnuKF2GAmLf9>





## Marianna Simeone remains an ambassador for the Arbour Foundation despite her resignation from the Board of Directors



It is with gratitude and pride that we salute the exceptional contribution of Marianna Simeone, who, to avoid any appearance of conflict of interest, had to resign from the Board of Directors of the Arbour Foundation on July 26, 2024, following her prestigious appointment as Head of the Quebec Office in Toronto. Her expertise in international relations and communications has greatly enriched our Board, and her departure marks the end of a valuable collaboration. Marianna will, however, remain close to the Foundation, continuing to act as a committed and passionate ambassador. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for her remarkable work, and wish her every success in her new role. Discussions are already underway to ensure her succession, and we look forward to sharing news on this subject in the near future.

## A revamped French-learning program under the direction of François Anderson de Serres

We are pleased to announce that this year, the French-learning program will be offered directly by François Anderson de Serres, a teacher who is greatly appreciated by our scholars. Thanks to his exceptional skills and commitment, François will enable our scholars who need it to improve their French skills and to eventually master the language of business in Quebec.

We know that François will rise to this challenge with brio, continuing to reinforce an essential aspect of the Fondation Arbour's mission: to support the economic integration of allophone students into the Quebec landscape.

We warmly thank François for his commitment and his desire to share his expertise with the next generation of leaders!





## A resounding success for our AI for the Planet networking event, organized jointly with IVADO!



On May 30, 2024, at Montreal's Intercontinental Hotel, the Arbour Foundation and Ivado welcomed scholars and guests to their joint networking event: AI for the Planet. The guest speaker was none other than Hugo Larochelle, Associate Professor at Université de Montréal, research scientist at Google DeepMind, holder of the Canada-CIFAR Chair in AI, and senior industry member at Mila. Over a hundred participants enjoyed the event, and the topic of artificial intelligence got everyone excited. As one attendee put it, "I met some fascinating people there, it felt good to meet enlightened people!"

The event also provided an opportunity for entrepreneurial scholars to present their business projects during the cocktail reception. VI Studio and Ton Équipier were also on hand to answer participants' entrepreneurial questions. The guests chatted passionately throughout the evening, both at the cocktail party and around the dinner table





# New cohort of scholarship recipients

From August 19 to 23, 2024, the Arbour Foundation Selection Committee met with 73 candidates from our 11 partner universities. 38 of them were awarded an Arbour bursary. We would like to congratulate :



Jerry Lau



Le génie pour l'industrie

Cédric Foffe Ngoufo



Frank-Olivier Garane

Dania Kyle

Éva Michel

Maria-Alejandra Martinez Oviedo

Marie Saglio



Camille Kouessi Dagbo

Miguel Carlos Rosas Garcia

Ablema Sephora Tanoé



Jad Albasha

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Émeric Désilets

Zineb El-Yamani

Astrid Esparza Aponte

Berthié Guin-Ferland



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Benjamin Turgeon



Sara Eddaki

Michelle Pelletier

Anderson Recker

Heidi Roussin



We welcome them to the Arbour community. In total, the Arbour Foundation awarded \$860,000 in scholarships this year.



# New partnerships for the Arbour Foundation

**A new partnership that strengthens our mission: Fondation Arbour x Mirella & Lino Saputo Foundation**

We are extremely proud to announce a strategic partnership with the **Mirella & Lino Saputo Foundation**. This partnership marks an important milestone for the Arbour Foundation and enables us to continue supporting deserving students in an even more ambitious way.

Thanks to this generous commitment, we will be able to extend our support in three key areas:

## **Women's entrepreneurship:**

The addition of four new entrepreneurial scholarships for promising women entrepreneurs will strengthen their development and accelerate the growth of their projects.

## **Welfare of people with disabilities:**

This partnership will enable us to award two additional scholarships to students with disabilities, opening up academic and professional prospects for them.

## **Integration of international students:**

The Fondation Arbour will increase from 20% to 30% the proportion of scholarships awarded to students from abroad, particularly from regions where the situation is difficult, enabling them to fully integrate into the Quebec economic fabric and make their contribution to the future of our society.

This partnership with the Mirella and Lino Saputo Foundation is a token of mutual confidence in our mission. Together, we can multiply our efforts to offer opportunities to those who need them most, and thus foster the province's economic development!



## **The Arbour Foundation strengthens its support for artificial intelligence through a partnership with IVADO**

We are delighted to announce a new partnership with IVADO, an initiative that enables the Arbour Foundation to extend its support for collaborative research in the field of artificial intelligence. Thanks to a \$185,000 commitment over the next 5 years, we will enable entrepreneurial projects selected by the Postdoc entrepreneur.e program to hire interns and benefit from strategic coaching.

This partnership, which is part of our commitment to innovation and the development of AI, reflects our ambition to support researchers in their transition from the laboratory to the marketplace.

