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Gala of the AQTr's Grands Prix of excellence in transportation  
**The Port of Trois-Rivières receives the Distinction Award**

**Trois-Rivières, May 29, 2019** – It is with great pride and recognition that the Port of Trois-Rivières team has learned that the project *On Course for 2020* has received the Distinction Award from the Association québécoise des transports (AQTr), in addition to being a finalist in the Infrastructure and Coup de cœur categories.

For the past twenty years, the Association québécoise des transports (AQTr) has organized an annual competition to recognize the excellence of transportation projects. In particular, the Distinction Award, chosen by the AQTr Board of Directors from among all the nominations submitted, is awarded to a major project that stands out for its structuring contribution in the field of transportation for Québec society<sup>1</sup>.

“We are very proud to receive this award from a renowned association such as the AQTr, in particular considering the calibre of the projects in the running,” said Danielle St-Amand, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Port of Trois-Rivières.

“We share this award with the users and workers of the Port, as well as all the *On Course for 2020* partners. Without them, we would not have been able to complete this ambitious development plan three years ahead of schedule and within the allocated budgets,” said Gaétan Boivin, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Port of Trois-Rivières.

The gala will be held next June 18 in Montreal, and the Port team will find out if the *On Course for 2020* plan also wins the Infrastructure and Coup de cœur awards.

**Public Award**

*On Course for 2020* could also win the Public Award because until June 6, people are invited to select their favourite project by following this link [Public Award - AQTr](#). The three projects that receive the most votes on June 6 at 12:00 p.m. will be finalists. Then, a second voting period will be held from June 7 to 18 to determine the winning project.

**About the Port of Trois-Rivières**

*As part of the 18 Canadian Port Authorities and active since 1882, the Port of Trois-Rivières offers a wide range of facilities and services to the maritime industry throughout the year. The Port is an important player in regional, national and international economic development for major industrial sectors such as the aluminum industry, forestry and agri-food. The Port of Trois-Rivières accommodates 55,000 trucks, 11,000 railcars and more than 200 merchant and cruise ships annually originating from over 100 different ports in more than 40 countries around the world. It handles over 3.5 million metric tonnes of traffic and supports more than 2000 direct, indirect and induced jobs.*

1. From the AQTr website: <https://aqtr.com/association/prix-bourses/grands-prix-dexcellence-transport/prix-distinction>

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