





## New Cloud Data Centre Platform in Québec: Fonds de solidarité FTQ Investissements croissance and Investissements W2 Back COLO-D

**Montréal, March 28, 2014** – Fonds de solidarité FTQ Investissements croissance (FSIC) and FSIC partner Investissements W2 are backing COLO-D, a company headquartered in Drummondville, Québec. Their financial support will fuel the growth of this new economy firm.

"COLO-D offers a new generation of server colocation services. Our strength is the flexibility of our products and services. We help our customers set up their high-density infrastructures, from a single cabinet to the deployment of many megawatts in dedicated corporate suites," said COLO-D's chief executive, Patrick David.

"This local firm is at the forefront of Québec's digital economy," said Alain Denis, Senior Vice-President, New Economy, at the Fonds de solidarité FTQ, and President of FSIC. "COLO-D is ushering in a new era in the development of data centres in Québec."

"COLO-D has quickly positioned itself as a date center collocation service. Its new ecosystem puts businesses first, providing high-speed hosting to large businesses with robust digital environments dedicated to cloud, mobile and financial computing services," added Nicolas Bélanger, co-founder and senior manager at Investissements W2.

### A cloud infrastructure

COLO-D operates in Drummondville a next-generation data centre dedicated to hosting, in colocation, private, hybrid and public cloud services and infrastructures. Offering neutral, green colocation services, COLO-D makes it easy for Canadian and Québec companies to integrate and operate new technologies in a secure, efficient manner. With the development of a management portal reserved for its customers, COLO-D is a leader in Cloud Ready colocation services in Québec.

In addition, due to its well-placed location and high-availability infrastructure, COLO-D is a strategic international development centre for U.S. and foreign ICT firms and suppliers looking to establish or consolidate their presence in North America and ensure their data security.

The COLO-D centre will be Tier III certified by the Uptime Institute. This certification assures clients that the site complies with the highest industry standards for data centre design. It will also be SSAE 16 certified and as such held to rigorous internal and external audit standards. For more information, please go to <a href="https://www.colo-D.ca">www.colo-D.ca</a>.

# About Fonds de solidarité FTQ Investissements croissance (FSIC)

Created in 2012 by the Fonds de solidarité FTQ, FSIC is a partnership that employs an innovative co-investment approach to finance mature stage Québec companies in

the information, telecommunications, digital technology and green technology sectors.

### **About Investissements W2**

Investissements W2 is a private Québec investment firm that targets businesses with high growth potential. Taking an entrepreneurial approach, the partners guide companies in their development, maximizing their strengths and assets. A springboard for talent, W2 ensures the next generation of entrepreneurs, guarantees growth and brings added value that makes all the difference.

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