

# Eeyou Istchee James Bay Contractor / Supplier Day

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- 7:20 a.m.** Greetings of participants
- 7:30 a.m.** Morning snack – **Courtesy of ECO-CENTRE TAIGA – GOLD SPONSOR**
- 8:00 a.m.** Opening remarks
- 8:50 a.m.** **Eeyou Istchee Baie-James, a land of opportunity: strategic preparation to leverage internal policies, best practices and major projects (panel)**

Knowledge of the internal policies and best practices implemented by promoters of structuring project and contractors helps suppliers prepare adequately to capitalize on numerous business opportunities. Numerous concrete initiatives have been announced in recent months, including the signature of a supply agreement with an automotive manufacturer, the acquisition process for strategic mining assets, and the announcement of major road and airport infrastructure projects. Questions to the panelists will focus on efforts to maximize regional economic benefits. What internal policies and best practices have been put forward recently? What work lies ahead? How should regional suppliers prepare for these opportunities? These are the questions our experts will address.

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*Facilitator:*

*Mr. Martin Loiselle, Coordinator, Economic Benefit Maximization, Société du Plan Nord*

*Panelists:*

*Mrs. Éva Roy-Vigneault, Vice-President ESG, Patriot Battery Metals*

*Mrs. Geneviève Morinville, Vice-President of Sustainable Development and Regulatory Affairs, Winsome Resources*

*Mr. Émil Tagho, Vice-President of Infrastructure, Société de développement de la Baie-James*

**9:20 a.m. Presentation of Commission de la construction du Québec**

The Commission de la construction du Québec (CCQ), a key player in the construction sector in Québec, is actively involved in the fostering of sustainable and inclusive workforce development. This presentation will highlight the pivotal role of the CCQ in the regulation, education and skills management of the construction industry by providing an overview of its concrete actions to energize industry, especially in the Eeyou Istchee Baie-James region. The presentation will focus on initiatives to strengthen collaboration among stakeholders in the region. The audience will discover the importance of the CCQ in building a stronger, more competitive, and more innovative Québec.

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*Speaker:*

*Mr. Julien Tessier, Project Manager, Diversity and Social Innovation, Commission de la construction du Québec*

**9:50 a.m. Health break – Courtesy of EYYOU ISTCHEE JAMES BAY REGIONAL GOVERNMENT – GOLD SPONSOR**

**10:10 a.m. Planned business meetings**

**Noon Lunch – Courtesy of DHILMAR ÉLÉONORE – GOLD SPONSOR**

**1:30 p.m. Business optimization with regional tools: customized support for success**

This workshop is designed to present contractors to the various resources and tools available in the area to promote the growth and performance of their business. During the workshop, local contractors will share their experiences and the impact that these tools have had on their success. This workshop will provide valuable insights to capitalize on regional opportunities, connect to a dynamic network and develop entrepreneurial skills.

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*Speakers:*

*Ms. Florence Belvisi, Special Projects and Partner Organizations Manager, Réseau Mentorat*

*Ms. Geneviève Binette, Projects and Communications Coordinator and Niimuudaan Program Manager, Secretariat to the Cree Nation Abitibi-Témiscamingue Economic Alliance*

*Ms. Charlotte Ottereyes Ratt, Mentor Guide, Niimuudaan Program*

*Ms. Élise Michel, Operations Coordinator, Centre québécois de développement durable*

*Mr. François Clermont, Multidisciplinary Business Partner, Gestion ADC*

*Mr. Alain Lortie, Chief Advisor, James Bay's Regional Acceleration and Development Space*

*Mr. Jean-François Tremblay, Innovation Liaison Officer, James Bay's Regional Acceleration and Development Space*

**2:10 p.m. Planned business meetings**

**3:40 p.m. Health break – Courtesy of EYYOU ISTCHEE JAMES BAY REGIONAL GOVERNMENT – GOLD SPONSOR**

**3:55 p.m. Unplanned business meetings**

**5:00 p.m. Closing remarks**

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