



Resource Guide for Women Entrepreneurs

Quebec

BDC is proud to provide you the Resource Guide *for women entrepreneurs in Quebec**.

This guide identifies the various initiatives of BDC partner organizations that can help women entrepreneurs grow their businesses. The initiatives are presented according to their needs and stage of development.

* This document is based on information provided by various BDC partners. Some initiatives may have evolved or changed since the publication of this document.

Women entrepreneur needs

Inspiration : Benefit from sharing success with other women entrepreneurs

Access to resources: Learn more about relevant resources and available support options

Financing: Access to financing

Development: Knowledge and access to resources/initiatives that allow women to develop the necessary business skills to succeed

Network of contacts, partners and mentors: Connect with key players and a community of industry experts

Growth stage of businesses targeted by partners

Start-ups: Businesses in the early stages of development

Expansion: Businesses looking to grow or scale up

Reaching new markets: Businesses expanding in Canada or in international markets

Programs and initiatives	Targeted revenues	Women entrepreneur needs					Growth stage of businesses		
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<u>Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC)</u>									
<u>Financing, advice, tools and content</u>	All revenues	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
<u>Supplier Diversity</u>	All revenues	●			●	●	●	●	●
<u>Thrive Venture Fund and Lab for Women</u>	All revenues	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
<u>Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ)</u>									
<u>Cheffes de file</u>	\$5M to \$20M	●	●		●	●		●	●
<u>Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions</u>	Not specified		●	●			●	●	●
<u>Canadian Intellectual Property Office</u>									
<u>IP awareness and education program</u>			●		●	●	●	●	●
<u>Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan Montreal – CCMM / info entrepreneurs</u>	Not specified		●		●	●	●	●	●
<u>City of Montreal</u>					●		●	●	●
<u>École d'Entrepreneurship de Beauce</u>	Not specified	●			●	●	●	●	●
<u>Ernst & Young (EY)</u>									
<u>Entrepreneurial Winning Women™</u>	\$2M to \$30M	●	●		●	●	●	●	●

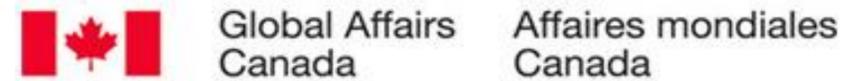
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<u>Export Development Canada</u>									
<u>EDC Women in Trade</u>	\$100,000 and over	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
<u>Evol</u>									
CoDevelopment Cohorts	No special conditions	●	●			●		●	
Consulting Brigade	\$50,000 to \$200,000	●	●			●	●		
Reception, information and support for business start-up	No special conditions		●				●		
Supported Funding	No special conditions		●	●			●	●	
<u>Farm Credit Canada (FCC)</u>									
<u>Women Entrepreneur Program</u>	All revenues	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
<u>Fonds de solidarité FTQ</u>	Not specified			●			●	●	●
<u>Futurpreneur Canada</u>									
Start-up Program	Not specified	●	●	●	●	●	●		
<u>Global Affairs Canada (GAC)</u>									
<u>Business Women in International Trade (BWIT)</u>	All revenues	●	●		●	●			●

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<u>CanExport SMEs</u>	Declare between \$100K and \$100M in annual revenue in Canada during the last 12 months			●				●	●
<u>Trade Commissioner Service (TCS)</u>	All revenues	●	●	●	●	●		●	●
<u>Innovation Canada</u>	Not specified		●			●	●	●	●
<u>La Ruche</u>									
Enabling local ideators	Not specified			●			●	●	●
<u>Manufacturiers & Exportateurs du Québec (MEQ)</u>	Not specified					●	●	●	●
<u>Montréal International</u>	Not specified		●			●	●	●	●
<u>OSEntreprendre</u>									
OSEntreprendre Challenge, Business Creation and Successful Business Inc. sections	\$0 to \$50,000	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
<u>Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) - Office of Small and Medium Enterprises (OSME)</u>	Not specified		●		●		●	●	
<u>Réseau des Femmes d'affaires du Québec (RFAQ)</u>									
Business development through major companies	Not specified	●	●		●	●	●	●	●

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Certification of women-owned business.	Not specified	●	●			●	●	●	●
Mutual aid units	Not specified	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
Networking and training activities	Not specified	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
Procurement Assistance Canada	Not specified	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
RFAQ+ platform	Not specified	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
Trade missions	Not specified	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
<u>SADC + CAE</u>									
Financial products and support	All revenues		●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Training, networking and assistance	All revenues	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Youth Strategy	All revenues	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
<u>Sous-traitance industrielle Québec (STIQ)</u>	Not specified		●			●	●	●	●
<u>Startup Montréal</u>									
Women Entrepreneurship Program	All revenues	●	●	●	●	●	●		

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<u>WEConnect International</u>									
Certification and Global Market Access	\$100,000+	●	●		●	●		●	●
<u>Women Entrepreneurship Knowledge Hub (WEKH)</u>	Not specified	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
<u>Women Initiative Foundation</u>									
Transatlantic	Over \$1M	●			●	●		●	●

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