

Claude Bergeron Executive Vice-President and Chief Risk Officer Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec

Profile

Claude Bergeron has been Executive Vice-President and Chief Risk Officer since November 2009. In this capacity, he oversees the teams responsible for monitoring, measuring and analyzing risk at la Caisse. His team is also responsible for promoting a risk culture within the institution by focusing on specialized expertise in la Caisse's investment areas and applying the tools developed to identify risks. The team also plays an active role in all management processes. Co-Chair of the Investment-Risk Committee, Mr. Bergeron sits on the Executive Committee.

Background

At la Caisse since 1988, Mr. Bergeron has been responsible for managing risk since 2009, first as Acting Chief Risk Officer and later as Chief Risk Officer. Under his leadership, la Caisse put in place and completed the implementation of an extensive program to strengthen its risk management practices. In previous years, Mr. Bergeron was instrumental in developing the plan to restructure third-party asset-backed commercial paper (ABCP).

In 2009, Mr. Bergeron completed an international MBA program, specializing in financial services and insurance, co-administered by two reknowned universities, the Vlerick Leuven Gent Management School, in Belgium, and the University of St. Gallen, in Switzerland. He also has a degree in business administration from HEC Montréal and studied accounting at the Université du Québec à Montréal. Mr. Bergeron holds a law degree from the Université de Montréal. Mr. Bergeron is a member of the Barreau du Québec and the Canadian Bar Association. He was previously in charge of Legal Affairs and Secretariat, in which he played a lead role in a number of domestic and international files and major investments, giving him in-depth knowledge of the public and private sectors. He was also assigned various mandates and functions for la Caisse's investment sectors, subsidiaries and general services.

Connections

Mr. Bergeron is invited regularly to speak at international events about risk management. Over the course of his career, he was presented with the Canadian General Counsel of the Year Award in 2009 and, in 2007, received the Commerce-ZSA Québec Lifetime Achievement Award. He is a former member of several corporate boards of directors, including those of Noverco and Quebecor Media.