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QUÉBEC WATER COLLECTIVE

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ABOUT

The *Québec Water Collective* brings together non-profit organizations, community groups, schools, universities, research groups, scientists, government entities, businesses, communities, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, who carry out participatory water science initiatives in Québec.

It emerged following the [2022 Participatory Water Science Forum](#).

Mission

Mobilize the knowledge of participatory water science stakeholders in Québec and encourage their commitment, in an innovative and inclusive way, by offering members of the *Collective* opportunities to network, learn and work together.

Vision

A participatory science network for water health, recognized for the sustainable commitment of communities, the diversity of actors as well as for scientific and traditional knowledge sharing.

Values

Inclusive vision – Ensure that all members agree on a direction, a common goal to achieve before taking specific actions to resolve other issues.

Engagement – Ensure lasting commitment from all stakeholders involved in participatory water science in Québec.

Sustainability – Sustain this network in terms of finances, human resources, and commitment of all the actors involved in participatory water science in Québec.

Data credibility – Recognize the practice of participatory science as well as the acceptance of the data acquired by its actors.

Knowledge sharing – Implement solutions for data inventory and knowledge sharing, so that all this monitoring and data collection work is used for decision-making and, ultimately, for the protection and conservation of ecosystems aquatic.

Recognition of Indigenous Nations

The *Collective* is an initiative resulting from discussions during the [2022 Participatory Water Science Forum](#). Indigenous organizations had been invited to participate in the forum, but unfortunately, they were unable to attend. The *Collective* was therefore born from non-Indigenous organizations' thoughts and points of view.

The *Collective* is committed to recognizing the realities of Indigenous Nations on the unceded territory occupied by Québec. In this sense, the members of the *Collective* recognize that traditional Indigenous knowledge about water is essential to the protection of this resource. Additionally, members commit to learning from Indigenous partners and maintaining lasting relationships anchored in respect, openness, listening and humility.



Leadership and coordination

The development of the *Collective* is operated by G3E and supported by a strategic committee. G3E is responsible for coordinating logistics and operations. G3E links with the committee for the strategic management of the *Collective*. In addition to the development of the basic structure of the *Collective*, G3E is responsible for the activities of the *Collective*, including communications, event organization and facilitation as well as membership management, with the goal of supporting the *Collective's* members in carrying out the action plan.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTION PLAN

Objectives

VALUE	TERM	OBJECTIVE
Inclusive vision	Short term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Have a structure allowing communication between all members as well as adequate learning and training for members.
Engagement	Short term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Identify and know participatory water science's actors in Québec.
	Medium-long term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Develop engagement strategies as well as support and recognize members' efforts.
Sustainability	Short term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Develop and implement a financing mechanism to ensure the sustainability of the <i>Collective</i>, projects and initiatives.
	Medium-long term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Promote results obtained through participatory science.■ Invest in scientific culture among youth and the population.
Data credibility	Short term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Build equal relationships with partners.
	Medium-long term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Anchor participatory science in scientific rigor.■ Highlight the data's credibility and the knowledge derived from the data.■ Facilitate data access procedures.
Knowledge sharing	Medium-long term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Compile a knowledge inventory■ Facilitate accessibility, transfer and understanding of knowledge in communities.

Action plan

As a follow-up to the [2022 Participatory Water Science Forum](#) an action plan has been developed. This plan was reviewed during the fall 2024 and presents the main tasks on which the *Québec Water Collective's* members will collaborate.

[CONSULT THE ACTION PLAN HERE](#)

