



Claude Lajeunesse
President & Chief Executive Officer

Claude Lajeunesse joined the Aerospace Industries Association of Canada (AIAC) in January 2008 following his tenure as president of Concordia University in Montreal. Prior to this, he served as president of Ryerson University in Toronto for ten years, where he led the institution through significant increases in enrolment, a major development of its academic and research programs, and engineered a renewal of campus facilities. He is also past president and CEO of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC).

A native of Quebec City, Claude Lajeunesse obtained a Ph.D. and M.Sc. in Nuclear Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) in Troy, New York, following a B.Sc.A. in engineering physics from the *École Polytechnique de Montréal*. He is currently a member of the board of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited (AECL). A fellow and past president of the Canadian Academy of Engineering, he is also a member of the *Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec*.

Throughout his career, Claude Lajeunesse has exemplified an unwavering commitment to the highest ethical standards. Moreover, he is well recognized for his belief in the critical contribution made by education and research toward environmental sustainability and the unsurpassed quality of life Canadians enjoy.

The AIAC is Canada's national trade association representing the aerospace manufacturing and services sector — the fifth largest aerospace industry in the world. Employing more than 80,000 Canadians, the sector generates \$23.6 billion in annual sales, approximately 82% of which is exported. The organization represents the interests of more than 400 companies in all regions of the country.

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