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Platform

Who We Are

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Representative of all generations, members of the Green Party were able to transform their ideals into a political party structured, documented, and willing to bring a different voice to the democratic debate.

Green Party members believe in things other than uncontrolled and blind growth. Rather, the Green Party of Quebec has an election platform that presents different ways to build a society that allows an economic development suited to humanity.

Our Platform

1 - Ecological Governance // An international awareness

The Green Party of Quebec offers ecological governance based on a holistic view of environmental issues and developing a culture of international environmental policy.

2 - The common good in mind // Management based on people

The Green Party of Quebec offers governance of the common good that encourages the emergence of a society based on personal development and well-being of individuals, economic development and community solidarity, and the protection of all life forms on earth. We recognize that for all generations involved, young and old, our future happens on one planet, by one economy, and by healthy people.

3 - Education: Our Priority

The Green Party of Quebec puts education at the heart of sustainable change, civic and humanistic education, favouring the development of a personal environmental awareness.

4 - A full program / / Different solutions

Our program offers a package of involvements in various aspects of our daily lives through the economy and job creation, health, development of renewable energy and natural resources, social justice and a self-financing tax, public transportation and housing, culture and language, and ethics and democracy.

A Real Change

There is much talk of change ... to change for change's sake is not what we propose. We offer a real change that creates a society that's different and exciting and lasts over time. We offer a lasting change.

Electing the First Green MNAs

Let's be realistic. The Green Party will not form the next government. Our goal will be at best to elect Green MNAs. We seek a mandate to influence the course of things with a different voice in the National Assembly. So I am asking for your vote to elect the next Green MNAs who will contribute to the emergence of a society on a more human scale.

THE GREEN PARTY OF QUÉBEC

A different voice. A sustainable change.

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Ecological governance of the common good

The Green Party of Quebec recognizes that Quebecers have at heart their own future, the future of their children and that of their grandchildren and that, for all generations involved, the future happens on one planet, by one economy, and with healthy people.

Think globally, act locally, for sustainable change

To achieve this project of a green society, the Green Party proposes a number of things which affect various aspects of our daily lives through the economy and job creation, health, development of natural resources and renewable energy, social justice and a self-financing tax, public transportation and housing, culture and language, and ethics and democracy.

- Education, a unifying priority.
- The environment for one planet, one economy, and healthy people.
- For responsible ethics and a democratization of the political system and the electoral system.
- To maintain and develop our culture.
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TO GIVE A VOICE

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Claude Sabourin, Leader, Green Party of Quebec

The Environment: Our area of influence

Working fully on the Quebec political scene, the Green Party of Quebec brings together people from all walks of life dedicated to environmental protection and promotion of sustainable development. Representative of all generations, members of the Green Party were able to transform their ideals into a political party structured, documented, and eager to finally bring a different voice to the democratic debate.

In our society built on a frenzied growth of consumption, it is the speculators and transnational corporations who hold the upper hand, often to the detriment of entire populations and democratically elected governments, as we saw in 2008. Green Party members believe in things other than unbridled and blind growth and are convinced that there are different ways to build a society that provides economic development suited to humanity.

For the Green Party of Quebec, it's time for a new era, effectively that of real change, and of a truly green governance. We are here in our area of influence.

Like what unfolds on the international level, the Quebec Greens want to engage citizens with a consistent and coherent vision for the future of all, this being the establishment of environmental, economic, and social policies to improve and preserve our quality of life while ensuring the future of the planet and the preservation of the common good.

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A first Green MNA

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Our goal is to elect a large number of Green MNAs. We seek a mandate to go influence the course of things by making heard a different voice in the National Assembly.

Moreover, in several democratic parliaments, the political agenda is influenced by the presence of Greens elected as municipal councillors, MPs, or senators at the local, regional, or federal. Canada made history on May 2, 2011 by electing the first Green MP to the House of Commons in Ottawa.

In Quebec, the time has come to give a different voice.

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OUR PROJECT OF GOVERNANCE

Governance is how a government exercises its economic, political, and administrative authority and manages the resources of a country for its development. For the Green Party of Quebec, the way we do this is of paramount importance. How our resources are managed, the way in which the government exercises its authority to govern, and how life and the future of citizens and the planet are planned, these ways of doing things, transparent and centered on the common good, are the source of our political commitment and the platform.

Governance open to the world and the environment

The Green Party of Quebec recognizes the need and urgency, among us here in Quebec, to be part of the international movement that promotes and acts for the protection of the environment.

In this sense, the Green Party of Quebec offers governance based on a holistic view of environmental issues and developing a culture of international environmental policy.

- Encourage the government to adopt the World Green Charter and, in its governance, to build on its values, this being ecological wisdom, social justice, participatory democracy, nonviolence, sustainable

development, and respect for biodiversity.

- Consolidate and improve Quebec's place in the international environmental debate, particularly on issues of mining, oil, and forestry.
- Promote the adoption of international agreements in order to fight against climate change, as well as to develop renewable energy.
- Respect biodiversity in opposing the destruction of natural habitat and extinction of species. // Submit globalization to principles of sustainable development.
- Recognize the need to act together and in a preventative way at the local and global levels both to act locally and to think globally.

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THINK GLOBALLY AND ACT LOCALLY, FOR A LASTING CHANGE

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The primary characteristic of green thinking is to see these involvements both globally and locally, to see them as interrelated. Therefore beyond what is obvious, we act and work, taking into account the interdependence of all players on each other.

Education, a unifying priority

The Green Party of Quebec places education at the heart of sustainable change, a humanist and citizen-oriented education, promoting the development of personal and collective environmental conscience. Our education system must remain neutral, secular, independent, and fair -- that is to say, accessible and of quality for all.

The levers of Education

- **Education is the best way to ensure the full development of every human being,**

in a secular education system, accessible to all and of high quality.

- **Education is the best way to fight against poverty.**

In a post-industrial society like ours, training becomes a must to become a part of the labor market. Access to work that is meaningful and well paid is one way to fight against poverty. This access happens through training.

- **Education is the best way to improve the health of the population,**

Several studies have shown that investment in education had a direct effect on health and consequently the costs of the health system.

- **Education is an effective way to increase our productivity from a perspective of sustainable.**

The aging population and the reduction of available labour will force us, in order to maintain our standard of living, to increase our productivity. Yet in our post-industrial society, increasing productivity requires workers who are skilled and trained.

- **Education is the means to ensure a society of informed and knowledgeable citizens:**

The ability to reflect on its consumption, to separate the facts from opinions, to criticize and consciously support ideas -- in other words, anything that defines a wise and informed citizen requires a certain level of education.

- **Education can discuss issues and participate in democratic life.**

The ability to participate in the public debate, to understand the issues, to engage socially and politically, happens through acquiring a solid basic education.

Our proposals for education

At the primary and secondary levels

To counteract the drop-out rate

- Significant investment in early elementary school by reducing class sizes and by providing services to students with social and learning difficulties

- Raise the mandatory age of school attendance from 16 to 18 years or when one obtains a first diploma.
- More important investment in cultural, sporting, and social activities in order to promote student involvement in their school and their community.

To counteract a significant deficit in democracy

- Abolition of school boards and redirection of available resources to schools.
- Make Quebec primary and secondary schools responsible autonomous entities and promote the administrative consolidation of small schools

To counter inequality

- Abolition of the 60% in subsidies now going to subsidize private schools (unique in Canada)

At the college level

- Adoption of financial rules promoting the maintenance of colleges in the resource regions of Québec.
- Development of a program to attract foreign students to colleges located in the regions.
- Increase the offering of part-time courses in CEGEPs

At the university level

- Introduction of free education at university level
- Repayment of student debt in a form proportional to income.

See program: Education

The environment, for a planet, an economy, and healthy people

A marked improvement in the quality of our food, the air we breathe, as well as working conditions and

economic living conditions, must be generally taken into account so that we tend towards one planet, one economy, and healthy people.

- A healthy society is not merely a network of institutions dedicated to health care: The Green Party of Quebec offers a comprehensive program of public health taking into account all the determinants (individual, social, economic and environmental) for a healthy society.

- The first criterion of any government policy is health potential according to short, medium, and long term. A public or private enterprise can only really be "profitable" if it respects, promotes, and improves the health of people who work there and of the community in which it operates.

- The law of marketplace is not a natural law but a human concept. It alone cannot govern our lives and activities. The marketplace must remain a tool for human development controlled by society, and not the reverse. The common good must prevail. The economic program of the Green Party of Quebec prioritizes sustainable development, both human and social, based on citizen power, safeguarding the environment and its ecosystems.

See program: Health // Economy and employment // Energy // Agriculture and Food // Transport // Urban and Regional Planning // Natural Resources and Wildlife // Waste Management // Ecological management of forests // Respect for animal life

For a responsible ethic and a democratization of the political and electoral systems.

- Have fixed-date election and awareness of all political parties' programs and provide them to the Directeur général des élections du Québec (DGEQ)
- To better represent the wishes and the actual weight of each vote, the Green Party of Quebec wants to introduce an electoral system based on mixed-member proportional. This system will allow political parties to share of power by representing different schools of thought.
- To elect the Lieutenant Governor and the Premier by direct universal suffrage.
- Submit the appointment of deputy ministers and presidents of Crown corporations for approval by the National Assembly
- The GPQ aims to create a High Council for Sustainable Development (CSDD) responsible for disseminating objective scientific information
- Make public three months before the general election reports of the Auditor General, the Sustainable Development Commissioner, and the CSDD.

- The GPQ also promotes the establishment of a formula for electoral recall according to the number of votes obtained

See program: Democracy

For the maintenance and development of our culture

Quebec's presence on the international scene

Major foreign policy decisions, such as the Canadian position on climate change, are made by the government in Ottawa, but are too often at odds with the interests and values of Québec or with the values espoused in the World Green Charter.

- Consolidate all main services related to international action of Quebec in a single Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and International Trade in order to extend, to the best of its resources, Quebec's sphere of influence in the world and its full participation in international forums where issues concerning Quebecers including conventions which fall within the framework of the UN are discussed.
- Develop a foreign policy based on promoting the interests of Quebecers in the world, promoting the Quebec identity and culture and its green values.
- Restart the Quebec policy of cooperation in consultation with NGOs in sustainable development.
- Increase involvement of Quebec within the institution of the Francophonie and its networks then engage in the development of a draft convention on the promotion and protection of linguistic diversity while letting Quebec engineering and green technologies shine.

See program: Culture // Entertainment // Sports //

See all measures proposed for the creators, citizens, organizations and others.

For social justice and self-financing tax

- The Green Party intends to establish a system of a guaranteed unconditional minimum income for all citizens.
- The tax burden of Quebecers is heavy and is not evenly distributed. The GPQ proposes to reduce direct taxes and establish a tax system based on the polluter-pay principles of green taxes: The eco-tax. This type of taxation gives companies choice on their mode of production, as well as the citizen on his/her patterns of consumption, all contributing to state coffers. These eco-taxes would aim to reduce human activities damaging to the environment such as the emission of greenhouse gases, the generation of non-recyclable waste, and the destruction of biodiversity. This type of tax favours reduction of all this and reduces the tax burden of responsible consumers.
- The GPQ believes it is time to respect our rights by making companies be responsible for the life cycle of their products, from its manufacture at the plant to the hands of the consumer, where it is finally used up.
- Create a fund in which regions would be given 10% of profits from natural resources to serve have-not areas and demand guarantees of 70% to 100%, in advance, of the cost of restoration for sites used.

See program: Social Justice // Family and Work

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Agriculture and food

The context

Agriculture is more than an industry, whose purpose is not to feed people but to produce proteins specific for human consumption at the lowest possible price.

It must be competitive on the market, generate surplus cash and bring foreign capital. The farmer is now a producer. This industrial activity is controlled by upstream industries of fertilizers, pesticides and biotechnology of agricultural machinery. Its production is controlled by the manufacturing and distribution.

The industrial agriculture has greatly increased yields per hectare in plants as in animal production. This increase is often associated with increased energy costs (fossil or food). It is found that to produce one calorie of food, we must provide 2.3 calories in the form of fertilizers, pesticides and fossil fuels. In Australia, we need 3.1 calories (Marty Bender, *Energy in Agriculture and Society: Insights from Sunshine Farm*, The Land Institute, March 28, 2001).

If one calculates the cost for him to go into the consumer base, we are talking about 10 extra calories.

This cycle of agricultural production between the producer to the trucker, the worker in the fertilizer plant, the researcher in biotechnology or other employee of the MAPAQ, the worker's oil wells of Kuwait or Iraq.

Dependent on fossil fuels, agriculture justifies the expenditure on arms necessary to defend our security and our right to eat.

Agricultural production brings industrial land degradation and of the gene (the survival of humanity is essentially based on some plants: wheat, rice, potatoes, corn and soybeans), the environmental pollution and destruction of landscapes.

Our agricultural production is also linked to other countries especially those in the Third World. They not only have to use our agricultural system, but undergo a parallel state of permanent famine. How can tropical countries be self-sufficient?

While considering the effectiveness and improving health through hygiene, we see increasingly that this industry can no longer guarantee the quality of food, nor promote healthy eating.

General Principles

Only economic activity that converts solar energy into food essential to human life, agriculture aims to increase production of nature. The soil is the main tool and also the capital of agriculture. The soil is a biological medium that participates in the development of life known on the form of edible plants for animals or for ourselves. By working the soil than the farmer to increase production. Left to itself, the soil would produce only the Quebec maple, beech, oak, pine or fir.

The soil is still fragile balance. With a wisdom passed from generation to generation, and recently through science, the farmer must preserve this capital balance. Tough job, he must continually work with the natural cycles (insects, temperature, etc..) to reach a production nourishing. Bound to his land, his country, its landscape, it was he who forged the first material used to the whole society. It is therefore the noblest profession in the world.

The goal of food sovereignty :

- Committed to developing agriculture ethically while dealing with developing countries
- Reduces vulnerability to external markets
- Brings the consumer countries
- Reduces the country's oil bill

The objective of food security:

- Approximates the consumer producer
- Obligated to produce quality food at real prices
- Absolve the need for mass production requiring the use of pharmaceutical or biotechnology

The objective of dietary diversity and biological :

- Binds the farmer to the real needs of the soil
- Requires polyculture
- Committed to developing agriculture ethically while dealing with developing countries

The objective of the dynamic land :

- Restores the value of work
- Recognizes the existence of human preferring to optimize the well-being and use values
- rather than income and market values

- Upgrades the peasant labor creating thousands of jobs
- Requires small farms that require less capital, employ more people and have higher returns per unit area while promoting plant resources

The objective of environmental protection :

- Requires recognition of environmental costs in production
- Requires operations related to the ecology of the environment

The objective of the quality of life of farmers, rural and consumer

Proposals Long-term goals of agricultural policy with a human face and ecological

- Encouragement through appropriate production and distribution of ecological quality food to enable consumers to make a real choice
- Establishment of a legal appellation for organic food
- Ban on imports of agricultural goods unless certain of not being able to produce at least equivalent in Quebec
- Total abolition of imported agricultural products from countries which do not ensure their own food
- Encouragement of multiple, especially in marginal areas
- Establishment of distribution channels and short processing integrated and controlled by rural farmers
- Orientation of agricultural education to organic farming
- Reorientation of agricultural research towards more research-oriented regional and ecological agriculture

- Priority allocation of good land for growing vegetables
- Encouragement of education programs on natural food
- Food Promotion with less meat, fresh, from sane organic media and minimally processed
- Set up schools to craft food
- Shift towards small-scale farms
- Giving preference to collective farms of production and property
- Prohibition of GMOs and patents on life

Short-term goals :

- Most conversions are a transitional period of five years
- Capping of agricultural support to farms with revenues exceeding \$ 250 000
- Financial assistance to small farmers, aspiring farmers and part-time farmers
- Special financial assistance to organic farmers
- Falls in agricultural prices in the production
- Sign in energy cost and ecological food
- Financial incentive for producers not to convert to organic farming called rational

- Promotion of extensive farming and rustic (sheep, goat) in marginal areas
- Financial assistance to the establishment of small processing plants (eg cheese, canning, slaughtering)
- Ban on feeding livestock by animal print
- Development program for greenhouse production in northern regions
- Establishment of standards of decent living space for each animal
- Ban farming without soil
- Legislative and financial incentive to sell the farm
- Ban on use of antibiotics as a preventive measure in the feed
- Ban the use of hormones or antibiotics to increase growth in animal feed
- Immediate moratorium on all GMO products to target the complete ban
- Financial incentive program of conversion to organic
- Practical assistance to civic groups whose action is the promotion of ecological agriculture, cooperatives, natural foods, community gardening.

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integration, to help the next generation to find its place and to better protect themselves from abuse and deal with their insecurity ...

Facilitate cultural exchanges between people of all backgrounds, particularly those of the Francophonie, Acadians and Cajuns in North America, First Nations, etc.. And all ethnic groups wishing to promote their values, by facilitating the redeployment of their own cultures, promoting ethnic and cultural enrichment ... Protect, preserve and enhance all that is of a pecuniary nature, ecological, social, cooperative and regional development in respect to micro-type economies SMEs, cooperatives, social economy (and others) which are the expression of own cultural identities: tourism, fishing, traditional agriculture, etc.

Preserve and expand the structure of general cultural education at all levels of free public education and/or very accessible (intercultural, interdisciplinary and international philosophy, anthropology, international history, various fields of artistic exploration, etc..), favoring more vast cultural democratization. Preserve and expand access to a set of networks and quasi public places of cultural exchange and dissemination: from research to the creation and extension to the various fields of specialization: Houses of culture centers and artists self, specialized or not, etc..

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- Cooperatives artists lofts multidisciplinary program manager in the community
- Establish co-op programs (professional workshop) to bring together artists of all genres in an environment of creative incubation
- Create a new class of employees that move into cooperatives or artists in the sectors identified
- Offer service agreements with various financial institutions to assign a financial advisor
- Self-employed status
- Improve the status of self-employed to enable artists, craftsmen, professionals and semi-professionals to obtain benefits and maintain the deduction of certain expenses
- Letters, books and libraries
- Increase scholarships for young journalists, writers and screenwriters
- Eliminate all direct and indirect tax on books
- Funding the best media library area and replenish school libraries
- Improve the self-employed status to allow access to benefits professionals registered and living from their art
- Promote the production of books or audio content in French Quebec

- Increase the budget for travel costs for reporting, shows and conferences, writing collaborative projects, etc.
- Facilitate the provision of loan guarantees or lines of credit to allow completion of their writing project
- Art Therapy
- Recognize the benefits of using the arts therapies by integrating their professional (and other music therapists) in the health network
- Subsidize research and development in art therapy to develop unique expertise in this area
- Create and support educational programs for training professionals

B. People

- Intercultural exchange programs
- Create and support cultural exchange programs in Quebec and the Francophonie in order to enable more young people to participate in these unique cultural and social experiences.
- Support or resume intercultural programs between primary and secondary schools in Quebec.
- Encourage the emergence of youth programs and carried out by young people in their community.

Arts education

- Provide a tax deduction for families taking courses recognized arts education.
- Support schools that wish to provide an arts education program: purchase of equipment, infrastructure rehabilitation, payment of royalties and transportation costs among others.

Video Games

- Finance a special study commission to determine the real impact of video games among young people under 18.
- Requiring companies and societies to provide instructions and guidance in both official languages.
- Support programs for the tax credit and grant to the creation of edutainment titles

Telecommunications area and services for the disabled

- Take steps so that telecom companies offer the high-speed Internet service at a reasonable cost to all citizens.
- Facilitate access and develop new solutions for citizens with disabilities that do not allow them right now to take full advantage of existing communication services.
- Subsidize the search for solutions to telecommunications problems and appoint a manager of special projects to market and monetize these solutions through the rich countries.
- Offer free solutions to developing countries.

C. Agencies

Council of Arts and Letters of Quebec (CALQ)

- Increase funding for the Arts Council and letters of Quebec more than \$ 100M to reach a budget of approximately \$ 180M and allow the development of numerous projects in all areas of creation and performance.

- Cultural Society (SODEC)
- Increase funding for SODEC \$ 100 million to over \$ 150 million. The assistance granted to the current program of film production will be doubled and two new funds will be created: regional production and the production of so-called non-traditional kind.
- Improve the program of feature films to reach \$ 50 million and thus strengthen the leadership of Quebec firms.
- Promote regional television and film productions and help small subcontractors to start production in the region. Funding of \$ 25 million will be in a second round and will meet the production criteria promoting synergy with regional communities.
- Support the production of so-called non-traditional genre (science fiction, fantasy, animation, documentary and feature film musical, among others) by providing a specific budget of \$ 25 million. This third round of funding will allow writers and directors to diversify the film culture in order to satisfy all citizens.

Télé-Québec

- Finance company to state its fair value to enable it to become a benchmark in terms of information and daily production of public interest programs, regional, national and international. A grant of \$ 100 million extra would be added to the current budget.
- Remove all advertising and Web TV.

Community Media

- In many countries, community radio is the only path to freedom. At the time of convergence, mergers and globalization of information, the presence of media independence and community dynamics are more crucial than ever.
- Adequately fund community media and facilitate their development. Claiming a bandwidth greater than the independent stations and non-profit.

Organic products and recycling of paint and other materials

- Promote research in the field by offering special tax credits to companies wishing to develop environmentally friendly products.
- Ban materials containing hazardous pollutants or difficult to recycle.

D. Networking Advertising

Apply a special tax of 20% of national advertising. Several enterprises (logo) became only the entities marketing communications and advertising. Often they do not even have to choose and plant the use of subcontracting in poor countries. The budget for the advertising of these products is greater than the value of the product. These companies do not create social wealth. Instead, their only goal is to create a dependency to compulsive consumer products fast and unnecessary or disposable products. The revenue from this special tax will fund several projects in the cultural platform.

Ban print advertising distributed in private homes, unless the citizen is made by the application. Annual solicitation will be allowed to advertising companies. During this period, citizens can register on their mailing list and companies must obtain a permit prior to solicitation.

Prohibit all forms of advertising aimed at minors. Advertising budgets youth increased from 100 million in 1990 to over \$ 2 billion in 2000 by exploiting the idea that the desire for children is also the parent. The strategy to push to end the parents until they give up is well known to marketers. Only advertising which conveys a social message from non-profit organizations can now be recognized in the media aimed at youth.

Determine an appropriate area without advertising around schools and ban sponsorship within schools for young people under 18.

Adopt an anti-spam legislation against the perpetrators of these misdeeds and imposing liability for ISPs failing to protect their customers against this scourge. The ten minutes lost by workers to filter messages represent an annual loss of astronomical time. In addition, other losses are caused by viruses and hackers software that damage computer equipment or that collect sensitive information about the user.

Pass a law against cross-database outlawing the compilation and sale of personal information for marketing purposes or for any other purpose. Require companies with personal information to disclose immediately any breach of security to citizens who have agreed to be on their list.

Prohibit telephone solicitation except for elections and for fundraising for nonprofit organizations. Only a one-stop call will be permitted and a list of organizations will be offered to the donor. People will not receive a call a year. They can make the choice of agencies and amounts they wish to contribute. The same approach will apply to letters and emails. To avoid fraud, organizations must be accredited.

Requiring companies and telephone companies to display the number and the name of the caller with the exception of cases involving the security of the person. Finance and develop the department of consumer protection in order to respond to complaints of infringement related to the new prohibitions. Heavy fines will be provided for offenders. Network Web Quebec primary schools and secondary

Create an Internet marked (Extranet) connecting all schools in Quebec and offering children the moment they enter school: a secure email address; of approved quality websites and having no link to the Web a universal multimedia encyclopedia (Wikipedia teachers); chat sites managed by professionals (homework, active listening, etc.). a portal for educational websites and a virtual gallery for the exhibition of student creations; a bulletin board to announce cultural activities or other

The portal would have three components: students, teachers, producers of edutainment content. Students and teachers can easily communicate with each other and publishers can offer educational tools tailored to the needs of different regions.

Mission Quebec cultural virtual

Appoint a special representative in each "mission Canada." These Quebec "ambassadors" would be responsible to submit a dossier dealing with economic and cultural values of Quebec to their foreign counterparts. This file would include a CD with a link to a website serving as a portal to all members of the cultural community, artisans and professionals. The website contains curriculum and specialties of each, and in the case of artists, a catalog of their creations. Protect the cultural identity of Quebec in trade talks. Museums and heritage site: housekeeping and virtual tours

Finance the establishment of a network audio-visual Internet for citizens to make an appointment for a virtual tour to all museums and attractions in Quebec. The guide using a web camera and microphone may travel at the discretion of the visit and meet the users as if they were there. This approach will permit, for example, to a teacher from Montreal to organize a visit to the Musée de la Gaspésie while avoiding travel costs and environmental costs. Provide adequate funding for historic sites under Quebec jurisdiction that would reverse the current state of deterioration. Promote the renovation sector to overcome this obsession for new construction in parallel with the program "co-op as an artist."**E.**

Museums Create a natural history museum whose collections are accessible to all.