



## **Les Presses de l'Université du Québec is celebrating 50 years of disseminating knowledge**

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Québec, January 21, 2019 – Les Presses de l'Université du Québec (PUQ), the flagship scientific and academic publishing house, is marking its 50th anniversary in 2019 by holding a number of activities.

Throughout the year, the PUQ website will recap the publishing house's key accomplishments. Over the coming months, PUQ will post about ten information bulletins on various research topics. In the spring, PUQ will roll out the “*Lis et passe*” (read and pass along) campaign where books will be placed in various public venues and will be available for everyone to borrow. PUQ will also provide free access to fifty titles on its Internet site. The year of celebrations will end with the launch of an anniversary magazine reporting on PUQ's major milestones in its history, notable advances in research, as well as future perspectives in scientific publishing at PUQ.

### **50 years of knowledge**

Founded in 1969 when the Université du Québec network was created, PUQ quickly became established by publishing the most recent research in various disciplines. PUQ set itself apart right from the start through publications that reflected socio-economic and political issues of the time. PUQ's first launch was *Cahiers du Jeune scientifique*, which later became *Québec Science*.

For the past 50 years, PUQ's priority has been to provide authors, who are the reason for the organization's success, with national and international exposure. To ensure a greater reach for scientific research, PUQ also co-publishes with organizations abroad, and builds commercial alliances with Europe. Always innovative, PUQ is at the forefront of new technologies with its entire catalogue from 2004 onwards available in digital format, making its books available to a large readership. PUQ has built its reputation based on the many collections created over the years.

“The scope, accessibility and sustainability of our publications play a key role in PUQ's success. PUQ's focus is on the future by offering our publications to a varied client base and in many areas, particularly through our partnership agreements, new technologies, and on-demand printing,” affirms Martine Des Rochers, PUQ General Manager.

### **About Les Presses de l'Université du Québec**

Created in 1969 by the Université du Québec network, PUQ's mission is to deliver publishing projects that promote improved dissemination of knowledge, primarily with universities and professionals. Serving the

university community since the organization's beginning, PUQ has provided many authors, researchers and professors with a forum for their work.

**PUQ in terms of numbers**

Catalogue of over 1,600 titles  
Over 70 titles published each year  
Publishing presence in over 10 disciplines  
Over 20 themed collections

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