

## The Partenariat des bibliothèques universitaires du Québec is set to launch

**Montreal, March 9, 2023** — For more than 55 years, the Québec university libraries have been working closely to support and encourage the teaching and research mission of Quebec universities. In order to strengthen their operational capacity and increase the pooling of their services and activities, the Québec university libraries have decided to create a new governance structure: the **Partenariat des bibliothèques universitaires du Québec** (PBUQ).

This consortium will officially launch its operations on May 1, 2023. The PBUQ will be associated with the Université de Montréal, which will provide administrative services as its designated agent. The Québec university libraries will thus leave the *Bureau de coopération interuniversitaire* (BCI) where they conducted their joint activities within the *Sous-comité des bibliothèques*, which will de facto be replaced by the PBUQ.

This partnership aims to promote cooperation among the Québec university libraries and develop projects, activities, services and platforms to meet the information and documentary needs of the members of the Quebec university community. A permanent support team of 9 employees with an executive director will be put in place at the start of the Partenariat to manage the ongoing operations and new projects of the Québec university libraries.

The PBUQ's contact information and the most recent development regarding the creation of this partnership will be shared with the partners of the Quebec and Canadian library communities in May 2023.

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