THE FEDERAL OFFICE OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (QUEBEC), (FORD Q)

FORD Q is a federal regional economic development organization. Through its commitment to provide services tailored to its clients, FORD Q supports the development of the economic potential of all regions of Quebec and the creation of viable jobs by promoting a business climate in which small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) can grow and prosper. FORD Q uses the relevant and sought-after expertise of the federal government to work with the entrepreneurial spirit of Quebecers in every region and improve their competitive position. It also seeks, through strategic activities and partnerships in the community, to improve the business climate, an essential factor in the growth of SMEs.

FORD Q provides one-stop access to federal services and programs aimed at SMEs, particularly with regard to innovation, research and development (R&D), design, market development and entrepreneurship. Through its 13 Small Business Access Centres, FORD Q provides access to Team Canada export services and programs in the areas of awareness, export preparation, information, networking, advice and counselling, funding and access to funding.

In terms of access to funding, PEMD, with the exception of the component on preparing projects for submission, is delivered through the Small Business Access Centres. IDEA-SME, a FORD Q program, can also support firms during the export process. In addition, through alliances with banks, Small Business Access Centre advisors can facilitate access to funding for foreign marketing strategy projects.

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