



## **GICS Montreal 2023 will be an eco-responsible event**

Sustainable development is at the heart of the concerns of the GICS and its co-host, the Institut international des coopératives Alphonse-et-Dorimène-Desjardins of HEC Montréal. As we are committed to making GICS eco-responsible we have made sustainable choices which include:

### **Reduction at the source**

- Offset your greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions with [CoopCarbone](#). [Here's how to do it](#).
- Online program on the GICS website to limit printing.
- Elimination of the event bag.
- Reduction of single-use objects.
- Reduction of paper printing and signage.
- Usage of screens for signage.
- Usage of recycled paper for printing.
- Usage of reusable dishes.
- Zero-waste service from Coop HEC Montréal caterer.
- Usage of lanyards made from 100% post-consumer PET (polyethylene terephthalate) fibers (e.g. plastic bottles).
- Usage of materials already available, and reduction in the acquisition of materials intended solely for the Montreal event.
- We will encourage recycling through existing sorting facilities and signage.

### **Residual materials management**

- Recycling bins for sorting residual materials.
- Non-recyclable waste (household waste and materials identified with number 6)
- Recyclable waste (materials accepted for recycling collection identified with numbers including plastic packaging, paper, cardboard, glass, etc.).
- Compostable waste and any other vegetable matter.
- Distribution of food surpluses to the HEC Montréal community.
- Collection of name tags and lanyards at the end of the GICS for reuse.

### **Sustainable diet**

- Food products selected according to their origin, with an emphasis on local produce.
- Fair-trade coffee and tea.
- Vegetarian choices for cocktails and lunches.
- Water dispensers in rooms.
- Water fountains available for refilling reusable bottles.