

► **Launching of BOURSTAD 2016**

*CIRANO, Tuesday, January 12, 2016 from 11 am until 1:30 pm*

CIRANO and its main partner for this activity, the AMF, will launch the registration campaign for the 29<sup>th</sup> edition of the BOURSTAD competition during a press event to be held at CIRANO on January 12, 2016, between 11 am and 1:30 pm.

February 8 to April 8, 2016, beginner and experienced investors alike will have the opportunity to participate in the simulation of financial investments and compete to win prizes totalling over \$30,000. The BOURSTAD simulation is made possible through the support of the other partners that follow: TD Bank, Les Affaires, Finance Montréal and Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (IIROC).

[For registration](#)

► **Processus d'appels d'offres relatif à l'approvisionnement en médicaments au sein des centres hospitaliers du Québec**

*CIRANO, Wednesday January 27, 2016 from noon until 1:15 pm*

Me Mélanie Bourassa Forcier, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Sherbrooke and a Fellow at CIRANO, will give a conference entitled "Processus d'appels d'offres relatif à l'approvisionnement en médicaments au sein des centres hospitaliers du Québec", on Wednesday January 27, 2016 at noon, at CIRANO..

During the spring of 2014, the Auditor General of Quebec highlighted the costs of pharmaceutical products and services and underlined questionable practices of health facilities. In their report, the authors Mélanie Bourassa Forcier and Alexandra Foucher explain the pharmaceutical products supply process of healthcare providers in the province of Quebec and, more precisely, the tendering and bidding process launched by the procurement group, for Quebecers to better understand and, more importantly, to be able to evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of the process. Achieving this objective is all the more relevant considering the current discussions regarding the extension of the tendering system in the ambulatory setting.

► **Marcel Boyer, O.C.**

The Governor General of Canada announced on December 30th the appointment of Marcel Boyer as Officer to the Order of Canada for his contributions to economics, notably as the co-founder of CIRANO. The Order of Canada, one of our country's highest civilian honours, was established in 1967, during Canada's centennial year, to recognize outstanding achievement, dedication to the community and service to the nation. Over the last 45 years, more than 6 000 people from all sectors of society have been invested into the Order.

[For more information](#)

► **Subscribe to our mailing lists**

If you wish to be informed on the activities not covered in the regular calendar, you can subscribe to our mailing list *Activité*.

[To subscribe](#)

► **CIRANO publications**

CIRANO distributes the results of its research in the form of various publications intended for the scientific community, the practitioners, and the public at large

[List of most recent publications](#)