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GFT and FSA ULaval create support teaching and research on information security governance

- GFT Canada and Faculty of Administrative Sciences of Université Laval **support students** in developing expertise in financial security governance
- Created the **GFT Fund**, **totaling \$125K** to support education and research in information security governance.

Québec, 3 December 2021 – GFT, a consulting firm specializing in digital transformation in the finance and insurance sectors, has partnered with Université Laval's Faculty of Business Administration (FSA ULaval) to support students in developing expertise in information security governance.

The partnership agreement between GFT, which has a Centre of Excellence in Insurance in Québec, and the Université Laval institution of higher learning is for a **period of five years**. This new collaboration, based on the sharing of expertise and the transfer of knowledge, has given rise to the **GFT Fund**, in which **\$125,000** will be invested.

Doing More in Information Security Governance

The GFT Fund aims at supporting teaching and research in information security governance.

The funds invested will be used **to promote excellence in research** and to **develop the Faculty's teaching activities**, as well as to encourage the Faculty to be a key player in the dissemination of scientific knowledge and good professional practices.

On Thursday, December 2, the official launch of this fund was held in the presence of representatives of GFT and FSA ULaval. This event was held at the FSA ULaval in the GFT room, named in recognition of this collaboration. The unveiling of this room was done in the presence of Mr. Frank Pons, dean of FSA ULaval, Ms. Hager Khechine, full professor at the Department of Organizational Information Systems at FSA ULaval, Ms. Fabiola Lorng, director of Philanthropic Development at FSA ULaval, Mr. Carol Roy, vice-president, Centre of Excellence at GFT Canada, as well as Isabelle Pascot, vice-president North Shore at GFT Canada.

Quotes

"At GFT, we believe in a digital world in which intelligent use of IT coupled with an understanding of the business domain is the key to success. More than ever, data security is a major concern in this transformation. Through this fund, GFT is pleased to improve knowledge in this area of business."

- Carol Roy, Vice President Centre of Excellence, GFT Canada

"With this donation, GFT is opening its arms to students from the Department of Organizational Information Systems in the FSA ULaval so that they can realize their full potential in the field of information security governance. With the internships and teaching activities that will be funded by this donation, a bridge of reciprocal exchange of knowledge and expertise will be created for the benefit of both GFT and Laval University."

- Hager Khechine, full professor at the Department of Organizational Information Systems of FSA ULaval and head of the GFT Fund

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With its deep technological expertise, strong partnerships and comprehensive market know-how GFT offers advice to the financial and insurance sectors, as well as in the manufacturing industry. Through the intelligent use of IT solutions GFT increases productivity and creates added value for clients. Companies gain easy and safe access to scalable IT-applications and innovative business models.

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