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## University of Sherbrooke Student Valerie Morin Selected as the 2022 CEMF-Pomerleau Award Winner

**(Renfrew, Ontario):** The Foundation, in partnership with Pomerleau, is extremely proud to announce that Valerie Morin, a Biotechnology Engineering student at the University of Sherbrooke, has been named the 2022 CEMF-Pomerleau award winner.

Valerie is ambitious and wants to have a concrete impact on the planet and through engineering, she hopes to accomplish this. She states, “engineering has always been a part of my life.” Through her work with Engineers without Borders (EWB) as an advocacy representative, she is able to witness and help work on various projects that were successful. In this position she is responsible for EWB Canada’s political campaign for the Sherbrooke chapter.

Ms. Morin is involved in various sub-projects such as the transformation of part of the Zero Waste Co-op, raising awareness in high schools by giving presentations on the importance of clean water, designing promotional items, and recruiting new members.

In the fall of 2021, Ms. Morin recognized one of her dreams and joined the Groupe de coopération internationale de l'UdeS (GCIUS) with whom she is preparing the next international project for the fall 2022 semester. It is a project for the development of biofuels in the Côte d'Ivoire and she will be taking on the role of project manager for this mission. She states, “women have their place in engineering, and I strongly encourage them to take it as much as I am taking mine.”

Since 1990, the Foundation has been promoting engineering as a career choice for young Canadian women through its extensive scholarship program, a website that attracts thousands of new visitors a month, social media programming, and award winner presentations to high school students.

“It is heartening to see so many qualified and capable applicants. We are pleased to be able to partner with Pomerleau providing this award to Valerie,” says Julie Lassonde, CEMF President. “Ms. Morin is a worthy award winner, and we are delighted to see her infectious enthusiasm for engineering and are thrilled to be supporting her in her future endeavours.”

### **About Pomerleau**

Pomerleau is one of Canada’s leading construction companies and a pioneer in sustainable buildings. It specializes in the building, infrastructure, civil engineering, and renewable energy sectors. The company also excels in virtual design and construction (VDC). Founded more than 50 years ago, the company employs up to 4,000 people at its nine regional offices and more than 150 worksites across the country. In 2020, Pomerleau was named one of Canada's Top 100 Employers. For more details about Pomerleau, visit [www.pomerleau.ca](http://www.pomerleau.ca).

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