EDC Releases Milestone CSR Report

Export Development Canada (EDC), Canada's trade finance agency, is pleased to announce the release of its 10th Annual Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Report which can be viewed here: Le rapport est également disponible en français.

"This year's Corporate Social Responsibility report marks a big anniversary: it is our 10th report," says Signi Schneider, Vice-President, Corporate Social Responsibility. "To convey our message, we tell our story using multimedia to better reach our audience, explaining what we do through the voices of our customers and employees." said Signi Schneider, Vice-President, CSR at EDC.

Ever wonder what happens to a big project loan once we lend the money?

"Monitoring Our Investments - Sherritt's Ambatovy Project" is one video included as part of the report, and visually explains how we monitor our investments.

The report includes six other videos, including one featuring our longest-serving executives as they reflect back over the past 10 years (and more) of implementing CSR initiatives at EDC.

Highlights of the 2014 report include:

- Continued attention to anti-corruption risk assessment resulting in an increase in anti-corruption enhanced due diligence on export and investment transactions of 42%;
- Further integrated our business activities with initiatives that have a positive environmental impact through the issuance of our green bond, Canada's first;
- Recognized for extensive public disclosure of information resulting in a ranking amongst Canada's top 10 on the Corporate Knights Future 40 Responsible Corporate Leaders in Canada; and
- Provided financial services to 7,400 businesses of which more than 6,100 were Canadian small and medium-sized entreprises.

EDC has developed its report according to the Global Reporting Initiative's (GRI) G4 Sustainability Reporting Framework with external assurance by Ernst and Young. Stakeholders are welcome to provide feedback to csr-rse@edc.ca.

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