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Catherine Rosenberg to head b<>com's Scientific Advisory Board

Consisting of 9 renowned French and foreign scientists, leaders in the areas of activity of b<>com's Institute of Research and Technology, the Scientific Advisory Board met for the first time in Rennes on Wednesday, May 21st.



Catherine Rosenberg,
University of Waterloo, Canada

On this occasion, Catherine Rosenberg was elected to chair the b<>com's Scientific Advisory Board. She will steer the works of the group of 9 scientists specialized in the, information systems, medical imagery, Internet of the Future, sound sciences and technologies...

Catherine Rosenberg is a well-known figure in the field of telecommunications. A Professor at the University of Waterloo, Canada, she heads its Research Chair on the Internet of the Future.

b<>com is pleased with the appointment of Catherine Rosenberg as Chairperson of the Council. *"That is very good news! Catherine has a considerable understanding of the scientific issues"*, according to **Bertrand Braunschweig** and **Claude Perron, b<>com administrators**. *"This council has already benefitted us with its detailed and extremely relevant outsider's perspective. Its action-focused recommendations are valuable for our researchers' work."*

For the new Chairperson of the Scientific Advisory Board, "b<>com has the potential to become a major worldwide player in key technology of connected medias and e-Health. We greatly appreciated this meeting with the research teams, whose passion and enthusiasm have convinced us."

Under her leadership, the role of the Board is to foster an exchange of recommendations with laboratories, to be closer to their technological stakes. *"We have an opportunity to constitute a wide-ranging group that blends varied skills: industrial and academic profiles, both French and international, specialized in each of the technological stakes of the French IRT."* Her conclusion: *"I have no doubt that these multi-disciplinary skills will prove an asset for b<>com."*

The mission of the Scientific Advisory Board is to steer b<>com's scientific strategy:

- It impacts the IRT's scientific programming by emitting issuing recommendations on the Technology Roadmap of the 3 main areas of activity: ultra-high-speed networks, hypermedia and e-Health.
- It contributes to the IRT's presence and international attractiveness.



From left to right: WiroJ. Niessen, Dominique Thomas, Alberto del Bimbo, François Neumann, Serge Fdida, Catherine Rosenberg, Didier Lebrat, Hugues Vinet. En médaillon, Christine Jacqmot. Credit Fred Pieau

About Catherine Rosenberg

Catherine Rosenberg is a professor in Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Waterloo. Since June 2010, she holds the Canada Research Chair in the Future Internet. She started her career at Alcatel in France and then worked at AT&T Bell Labs in the U.S. From 1988-1996, she was a faculty member at Ecole Polytechnique, in Montreal, Canada. In 1996, she joined Nortel Networks in the United Kingdom where she created and headed the R&D Department in Broadband Satellite Networking. In August 1999, Dr. Rosenberg became a professor in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Purdue University where she co-founded the Center for Wireless Systems and Applications (CWSA) in May 2002. She joined the University of Waterloo on September 1, 2004, as the Chair of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering for a three-year term. Dr. Rosenberg is on the Scientific Advisory Board of France-Telecom and is a Fellow of the IEEE.

About b<>com

The b<>com Technological Research Institute is dedicated to boost development and marketing of tools, products and services that improve everyday's life, thanks to research and innovation in digital technologies. In concrete terms, b<>com is innovating at the highest level in the areas of hypermedia (ultra high definition images, 3D, intelligent content, virtual and augmented reality, etc.), smarter and faster networks and e-health as the first area of application.

It is based in Rennes and was launched at the end of 2012. It is supported by French government, Brittany Region and Cities Councils (Rennes, Lannion and Brest).

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