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# Desjardins Investments announces changes to the Desjardins Canadian Equity Growth Fund and Desjardins Canadian Equity Growth Corporate Class

**Montreal, August 23, 2017** – Desjardins Investments Inc. ("DI"), the manager of the Desjardins Funds, announces changes to the portfolio management of the Desjardins Canadian Equity Growth Fund.

Desjardins Global Asset Management Inc. ("DGAM") will now act as portfolio manager responsible for the active management of the Fund's portfolio. DI has also approved changes to the Fund's, as well as to Desjardins Canadian Equity Growth Corporate Class', investment strategies, in line with DGAM's investment philosophy. However, the Funds investment objectives remain unchanged. These changes will come into effect on or about September 11, 2017.

The changes are subject to approval by regulatory authorities. DI reserves the right to defer the implementation of the changes described above.

### Funds' securities sales suspended

Starting on September 7, 2017, all additional investments in securities of the aforementioned Funds will be suspended, except for automatic-deposit investments made by existing securities holders of the Desjardins Canadian Equity Growth Fund.

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