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SHORT FORM PROSPECTUS

AUGUST 25, 2025



Class C Issuance common shares

For the capitalization period beginning March 1, 2025 and ending February 28, 2026:

	CLASS C ISSUANCE
Amount authorized for issuance	\$150,000,000
Minimum subscription	\$500
Maximum subscription	\$5,000
Provincial tax credit granted to the shareholder	25%

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DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Information has been incorporated by reference in this short form prospectus from documents filed with the Autorité des marchés financiers. Copies of the documents incorporated herein by reference may be obtained free of charge on request from CRCD's Shareholder Services, at CRCD's office, 2 Complexe Desjardins, P.O. Box 760, Desjardins Station, Montréal, Québec H5B 1B8, or by telephone at 1 888 522-3222 or on the SEDAR+ website at www.sedarplus.com.

The following documents have been filed with the Autorité des marchés financiers and are incorporated by reference into, and form an integral part of, this short form prospectus:

- 1) CRCD's Annual Information Form dated August 25, 2025;
- 2) CRCD's audited separate financial statements as at June 30, 2025 and 2024, together with the independent auditor's report thereon, including the balance sheets and the statements of comprehensive income and changes in net assets and the statements of cash flows and the notes to the separate financial statements, comprising material accounting policy information and other explanatory information;
- 3) the schedule of cost of investments impacting the Québec economy as at June 30, 2025, as well as the related independent auditor's report (audited);
- 4) the statement of other investments as at June 30, 2025 (unaudited);
- 5) the index of the Company's share in investments made by specialized funds and partner funds, at cost, as at June 30, 2025 (unaudited);
- 6) the interim management's discussion and analysis for the semester ended June 30, 2025;
- 7) the notice of meeting for the Annual General Meeting of CRCD dated February 13, 2025.

Any documents of the same type referred to above or any other documents to be incorporated by reference in a prospectus filed by CRCD under *Regulation 44-101 respecting Short Form Prospectus Distributions* after the date of this short form prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering are deemed to be incorporated by reference in this short form prospectus.

Any statement contained in this prospectus or in any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this prospectus, to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus or in any other subsequently filed document that is also incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to form an integral part of this prospectus. The new statement need not state that it has modified or superseded a prior statement or include any other information set forth in the document or statement that it modifies or supersedes. The disclosure of a modifying or superseding statement shall not be deemed an admission for any purposes that the modified or superseded statement, when made, constituted a misrepresentation, an untrue statement of a material fact or an omission to state a material fact that is required to be stated or that is necessary to make a statement not misleading in light of the circumstances in which it was made.

Investors should rely only on information contained or incorporated by reference in this short form prospectus. CRCD has not authorized any other person to provide investors with different information. Investors should not rely on different or inconsistent information provided by any person other than CRCD. CRCD is not offering its common shares for sale in any jurisdiction where their offer or sale is not permitted.

In this short form prospectus, unless specified otherwise, all dollar amounts are in Canadian dollars.

The masculine has been used throughout this text for the sole purpose of facilitating reading.

This document is a translation of the official prospectus for the offering of shares of CRCD. It is provided for information purposes only and does not have legal substance. To obtain a copy of the official version (French), visit www.sedarplus.com or ask CRCD's Shareholder Services.

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1. BASIC INFORMATION ON SHARES

CRCD's share capital comprises three classes of shares: Class A Issuance, Class B Exchange and Class C Issuance (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Shares" or the "Share"). Class A shares were issued to raise capital until February 28, 2025 and were replaced by Class C shares beginning March 1, 2025, while Class B shares were designed to be exchanged for Class A shares.

Despite the provisions of the *Act constituting Capital régional et coopératif Desjardins* (the "Act") in respect of the capitalization of CRCD, the Minister of Finance of Québec, in his Budget 2025-2026 presented on March 25, 2025, authorized CRCD to raise an annual maximum of \$150,000,000 as Class C Issuance common shares and fractional common shares, without par value, for its capitalization period beginning March 1, 2025 and ending February 28, 2026 (see section 4. SHARE CAPITAL AND CAPITALIZATION LIMITS).

The Board of Directors determines the Share price twice a year, on dates six (6) months apart. It may also determine other prices at other times in the year. The Share price is set as at the end date of each six-month period, being June 30 or December 31, and must be published within 90 days after the end of that six-month period. It takes effect as of the publication date, which is generally within 40 to 50 days after June 30 or December 31 of each year. The new Share price is announced in a press release. It is also posted on CRCD's website and included in the statement of account made available twice a year to all shareholders. Shares may be subscribed for, redeemed or purchased by agreement at the Share price in effect at the time the transaction request is accepted, unless CRCD elects to process requests received at the next price to be determined and published by the Board of Directors (see section 9.4 SHARE PRICE ON REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT). At all times throughout the year, the issuance, redemption and purchase-by-agreement price of Shares and fractional Shares is identical for the three classes of shares (see section 13. HOW IS A SHARE OF CRCD VALUED?).

For Class C Issuance shares, the minimum amount of the initial subscription for each capitalization period is \$500 and, for that capitalization period, each additional subscription must be a multiple of \$100. The maximum amount for each capitalization period is \$5,000. Subject to the maximum subscription amount for each capitalization period, a shareholder may acquire Class C Issuance shares until the cumulative subscription limit of \$45,000 at cost is reached (see section 11.1 GENERAL). Class C Issuance shares are sold through AccèsD Internet for investors who have signed up for that service and by authorized employees at participating Desjardins caisses in Québec (the Caisses), mandated for that purpose by CRCD, for investors who do not have AccèsD Internet (see section 8. PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION FOR CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARES). In all cases, investors may visit a Caisse for support or financial advice.

Only a natural person of full age may acquire or hold CRCD Shares.

CRCD is a development capital and venture capital investment fund with its mission of Québec economic development. The proceeds of this offering will mainly be allocated for investment in eligible small- and medium-sized enterprises (SME) and cooperatives or for extending unsecured loans to such businesses. In addition, CRCD invests in various partner funds and private external funds. As of January 1, 2026, CRCD will no longer invest directly in businesses or cooperatives. CRCD will become a limited partner in several partner funds established by Desjardins Capital Management Inc. ("Desjardins Capital" or the "Manager"), which will also have the mission of Québec economic development and will be managed by Desjardins Capital. CRCD will therefore invest in its Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio exclusively through the partner funds. Each of these partner funds will have its own investment strategy with dedicated industries or specific asset classes (debt and/or equity). CRCD plans to initially invest in three partner funds, one of which will be exclusively dedicated to CRCD. Other institutional investors will be able to invest in the other two funds along with CRCD (see section 2.2 ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT DETAILS). Information concerning CRCD's objectives in respect of the proceeds it is authorized to raise under this offering, per capitalization period, is provided in sections 3.2 INVESTMENTS and 5. USE OF PROCEEDS OF THE OFFERING. CRCD has entrusted the management of its operations, including the management of its Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio and its Other investments portfolio, to Desjardins Capital.

The CRCD Shares do not constitute an eligible investment and cannot therefore be acquired by or transferred into a Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP), a Registered Retirement Income Fund (RRIF), a Tax-Free Savings Account (TFSA) or a First Home Savings Account (FHSA), among others.

In view of the special characteristics and inherent risks of this offering, prospective investors should carefully review the information contained herein before making an investment decision. The Shares offered hereunder are subject to certain risk factors (see section 14. RISK FACTORS).

THE ACQUISITION OF A SHARE OF CRCD SHOULD GENERALLY BE REGARDED AS A LONG-TERM INVESTMENT. There is currently no market for the sale of CRCD's Shares and none is anticipated, except as regards the right of redemption provided for by the Act, purchases by agreement, subject to certain conditions set out in a policy to that effect, or transfers authorized by CRCD to beneficiaries through an estate (see sections 4. SHARE CAPITAL AND CAPITALIZATION LIMITS and 9. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT).

CRCD Shares do not constitute deposits of money within the meaning of the *Deposit Institutions and Deposit Protection Act* and are therefore not insured under that act.

Legal and tax matters in connection with this offering are reviewed by the in-house legal counsel and tax specialists of the Fédération des caisses Desjardins du Québec (the Federation).

An investment in CRCD should provide certain tax benefits. For more information on such benefits and the tax considerations of the redemption or purchase by agreement of Shares, refer to section 11. TAX CONSEQUENCES FOR SHAREHOLDERS.

New shareholders must pay administrative fees of \$50 (including taxes) on opening an account. There is also an administrative fee of \$50 (including taxes) required on closing an account. No fees are payable by the shareholder on the acquisition or sale of CRCD Shares (see section 6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES PAYABLE BY SHAREHOLDERS). Including management fees, shareholder services expenses and operating expenses, CRCD's total operating expense and common Share issue expense ratio, as stated in the interim management discussion and analysis as at June 30, 2025, was 1.9% of CRCD's net assets for the semester then ended.

2. THE COMPANY

2.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

CRCD is a legal person with share capital, constituted on July 1, 2001 on the initiative of Desjardins Group. The *Act constituting Capital régional et coopératif Desjardins*, CQLR c. C-6.1, was assented to by the Assemblée nationale du Québec on June 21, 2001 and came into force on July 1, 2001.

CRCD also operates under the name Desjardins Capital régional et coopératif. Its head office is located at 100 rue des Commandeurs, Lévis, Québec G6V 7N5.

CRCD is an investment company devoted to fostering investment in the regions of Québec and meeting the capital needs of cooperatives, among others.

To achieve its objective, CRCD issues a share offering to the Québec public.

CRCD is not a finite-life entity.

2.2 ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT DETAILS

On August 22, 2025, CRCD announced a strategic change to its business model beginning January 1, 2026, in collaboration with its Manager. This new business model will enable CRCD to continue playing its role in the Québec entrepreneurial ecosystem by meeting the needs and expectations of its shareholders.

As of January 1, 2026, CRCD's investments impacting the Québec economy will be made indirectly only, by investing in private partner funds established and managed by Desjardins Capital. These partner funds will invest directly in Québec businesses, in both debt and equity, as well as in private external funds with managers other than Desjardins Capital. Changes to the business model will have no impact on the management of the Other investments portfolio.

With this transition, CRCD plans to initially invest in three partner funds, each with the objective of supporting Québec's economic development, in particular by supporting the growth and development of Québec businesses across all regions and industries. Each of these partner funds will have its own investment strategy with dedicated industries or specific asset classes (debt and/or equity). Desjardins Capital will initially establish three partner funds:

A fund dedicated exclusively to CRCD, aiming to support Québec businesses primarily by making development capital investments in businesses with revenues of less than \$30 million at the time of initial investment, in venture capital, in collective entrepreneurship and in external private funds.

- A fund dedicated to debt, in which other institutional investors will be able to invest along with CRCD, with the aim of supporting Québec businesses with revenues of \$30 million or more at the time of initial investment, mainly offering financing in the form of development capital debt.
- A fund dedicated to equity, in which other institutional investors will be able to invest along with CRCD, with the aim of supporting Québec businesses with revenues of \$30 million or more at the time of initial investment, mainly offering financing in the form of minority or majority interests in development capital.

In the future, CRCD may also invest in any other partner fund that may be established and managed by Desjardins Capital, if it meets the needs and objectives of CRCD's investments impacting the Québec economy.

To implement the new business model, investments in businesses, cooperatives and external funds of CRCD's current Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio will have to be transitioned. The investments held will therefore be transferred at fair market value on January 1, 2026 to two new partner funds as follows, and CRCD will hold an equivalent interest in these funds at the value of the transferred investments:

- Development capital investments, in the form of equity, in businesses with revenues of \$30 million or more as at December 31, 2025 will be transferred to the dedicated equity fund, except for (i) businesses with a risk rating of 10 (high risk and insolvent) as at the transition date and (ii) businesses that are expected to be disposed of before December 31, 2026. These investments will be transferred to the fund dedicated exclusively to CRCD.
- All other investments in CRCD's Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio will be transferred to the fund dedicated exclusively to CRCD.

The transfer of these investments will have no impact on shareholders or the share price.

In addition to better aligning with investment fund industry practices, the new business model will enable CRCD to optimize its capacity for supporting the Québec entrepreneurial ecosystem. It will also help clarify the roles and responsibilities of CRCD, as an investment fund, and Desjardins Capital as manager. Moreover, this model will reduce certain conflict of interest risks for the manager related to the allocation of investment opportunities.

With the implementation of the new business model, CRCD's governance will be adjusted in terms of management and monitoring of the Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio. For any additional information about CRCD's complete governance structure, see section 9.6.2 Committee roles and responsibilities in the Annual Information Form.

In connection with its operations, CRCD uses the services of various entities, the majority of which form part of Desjardins Group. All services rendered to CRCD by such entities are provided at or below their fair market value.

FUND MANAGER

CRCD has entrusted the management of its operations, including the management of its Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio and its Other investments portfolio, to Desjardins Capital, a Desjardins Group corporation, pursuant to the terms of a management agreement concluded between them. Under this agreement, CRCD pays Desjardins Capital management fees equivalent to a maximum rate of 1.75% of CRCD's annual average assets' value, after deduction of any amounts payable related to Investments impacting the Québec economy and Other investments. An adjustment is made to the management fees to avoid double billing relative to CRCD's interest in other investment funds, either in the Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio or in the Other investments portfolio. The Manager and CRCD have agreed that, for a given fiscal year, an adjustment could also be made to allow CRCD to benefit from economies of scale realized by Desjardins Capital in particular in relation to the growth in CRCD's assets.

Given the strategic change to CRCD's business model, the pricing model will be adjusted accordingly. Although the basis for calculating the total pricing paid by CRCD to Desjardins Capital has changed, as of January 1, 2026, the fees paid by CRCD (management fees for each fund in which CRCD will invest and administrative fees) will continue not to exceed the maximum of 1.75% of the average value of CRCD's assets, net of the deduction and the adjustment to avoid double billing.

Under the new pricing calculation basis, CRCD, as a limited partner of the partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital, will assume management fees for each fund, based on specific rates for each fund in which CRCD will invest. These management fees will be paid for services provided by Desjardins Capital as manager of these funds, based on the amount of CRCD's interest in each of these funds and will also include fees based on each fund's performance. IT development and maintenance costs related to the management of these funds will be included in these management fees. These management fees will be deducted from the returns for each fund. Furthermore, CRCD will pay Desjardins Capital, as investment fund manager, administrative fees for services provided as required, including the management of CRCD's operations, financial strategies, assets,

	share ownership, risks, capitalization, shareholder relations, governance and reporting. IT development and maintenance costs related to administering CRCD will be included in administrative fees. These administrative fees will be presented in CRCD's operating expenses.
	CRCD is currently finalizing the negotiation of this pricing with Desjardins Capital, with the aim of setting it at the market rate for comparable services or assets. In the event that the new pricing is higher than the maximum rate of 1.75%, it will not become effective before December 31, 2027, until all required regulatory steps have been completed.
PORTFOLIO ADVISORS	The Manager engages external portfolio advisors for the day-to-day operation of a significant portion of CRCD's Other investments portfolio. Firstly, the Manager has engaged Desjardins Global Asset Management Inc. (DGAM) as portfolio advisor to implement fixed-income securities strategies and for money market instrument and foreign exchange hedge management. The Manager has also engaged DGAM for monitoring investments in funds managed by external managers and DGAM, as well as for market monitoring. Secondly, the Manager has engaged Connor, Clark & Lunn Investment Management as portfolio advisor to implement market neutral equity strategies.
REGISTRAR AND TRANSFER AGENT	CRCD has appointed Desjardins Trust Inc. (Desjardins Trust), a Desjardins Group corporation, as its registrar and as its agent for Shares transferred through an estate. Desjardins Trust also acts as intermediary for the mailing of certain communications to shareholders and provides support for the processing of requests for redemption and purchase by agreement on behalf of CRCD.
CUSTODIAN	Desjardins Trust also serves as custodian under a custody and administration agreement.
SUB-CUSTODIAN	Under the terms of the custody and administration contract, Desjardins Trust, as custodian of CRCD, has retained the services of the Federation, Desjardins Securities inc. and State Street Corporation to act as subcustodians.
DISTRIBUTION OF SHARES	CRCD has appointed the Federation to distribute its Shares through the Caisses and via AccèsD Internet and has entrusted the Caisses with the activities related to the distribution of its Shares (see section 8. PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION FOR CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARES).
SCRUTINEER	CRCD has entrusted the mandate as scrutineer, with responsibility for communicating information relating to the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, to Computershare Investor Services Inc.
AUDIT	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP audits the separate financial statements of CRCD to ensure that they present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of CRCD, its financial performance and its cash flows in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards). The separate financial statements disclose the Share price. The firm also audits the schedule of cost of Investments impacting the Québec economy in accordance with the provisions of Article 18 of the Regulation respecting Development Capital Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure.
	The auditor is independent within the meaning of the Code of Ethics of Chartered Professional Accountants (Québec).

CRCD also transacts with the Federation for credit facilities and in its capacity as dealer in foreign exchange contracts.

For more information concerning organization and management details, see CRCD's Annual Information Form.

3. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

3.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Under the Act, the main functions of CRCD are:

- to invest in eligible Québec entities and provide them with support services to improve their productivity and create wealth;
- to promote the economic development of the regions through investments in eligible Québec entities operating in those regions;
- to raise venture capital and development capital for the benefit of the regions and the cooperative sector;
- to support the cooperative movement throughout Québec.

3.2 INVESTMENTS

3.2.1 Investment standards

Pursuant to the Act, CRCD may make investments, and this includes any financial assistance granted in the form of a loan, guarantee, security, the acquisition of bonds or other debt securities, an interest in share capital, capital stock or any other form.

One of CRCD's priorities is to make investments dedicated to the regions of Québec and to meet the financing needs of cooperatives. CRCD invests in partnerships, legal persons and economically viable cooperatives offering a potential return proportionate to perceived risk.

CRCD's eligible investments, as defined in the Act, must represent on average at least 65% of CRCD's average net assets for the preceding year. Furthermore, a portion representing at least 50% of that percentage must be made in entities situated in the regions of Québec outside the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal and the Communauté métropolitaine de Québec or in eligible cooperatives, as defined in the Act.

For the purposes of these standards, average net assets for a given fiscal year are mainly determined by adding net assets at the beginning of the year in question to net assets at the end of the year in question, and to net assets at the beginning of the preceding year, and dividing the resulting amount by three. Average eligible investments for a given fiscal year are determined substantially the same way, namely by adding these eligible investments at the beginning of the year in question to eligible investments at the end of the year in question, and to eligible investments at the beginning of the preceding year, but with certain statutory adjustments, and dividing the resulting amount by three. Net assets do not include movable or immovable property used by CRCD to carry on its operations.

In the event of failure to comply with either of these requirements, a reduction of the amount of capital authorized for issue during the capitalization period following the end of the fiscal year will be imposed.

3.2.2 Eligible Québec entities

For the purposes of the Act, "eligible Québec entity" means either of two (2) enterprise types:

- **3.2.2.1** an eligible cooperative, that is, a legal person governed by the *Cooperatives Act* (CQLR, c. C-67.2) or a legal person governed by the *Canada Cooperatives Act* (Statutes of Canada, 1998, chapter 1), having its head office in Québec, or in respect of which half of the salaries paid to its employees, during its fiscal year ended before the date on which the investment is made, were paid to the employees of an establishment situated in Québec, and the legal persons controlled by one or several cooperatives or controlled by one or several cooperatives and CRCD;
- **3.2.2.2** a partnership or a legal person, other than an eligible cooperative or a partnership or legal person whose activities consist mainly in investing, that is actively operating an enterprise in Québec and that is Québecowned or has a main decision-making centre that is operated in Québec.

3.2.3 Eligible investment categories

Since January 1, 2024, the Act has been amended to allow for the reorganization of eligible investment categories into three new investment categories.

Category 1 groups investments in eligible Québec entities, category 2 groups investments in investment funds managed in Québec with the expectation that the funds will invest in eligible Québec entities and category 3 groups investments in the real estate sector provided that they result in certain societal benefits for Québec as well as investments in investment funds

administered outside Québec, provided that these investment funds invest in eligible Québec entities in an amount that is at least equal to the amounts CRCD invests in those funds.

For more information concerning the investment standards set out in the Act and eligible investments, investors should refer to section 2.1. of the Annual Information Form.

3.2.4 Policies of the Board of Directors

3.2.4.1 Financial asset management

CRCD's financial assets, consisting primarily of investments impacting the Québec economy and other investments, are managed in accordance with a global financial asset management policy adopted by CRCD's Board of Directors. This policy is designed to facilitate achievement of CRCD's mission and objectives while satisfying the criteria for eligible investments. CRCD invests in a conservative manner, focused on healthy diversification and reasonable overall risk in the best interests of its shareholders. To this end, the financial asset management strategy is as follows:

- CRCD's financial assets are managed in an integrated, comprehensive manner, which means that target asset allocation must be structured to reduce the risk inherent to certain asset classes in the investment portfolios through diversification;
- the objective is to optimize the after tax risk/return ratio of CRCD's financial assets in compliance with its role as an economic development agent, ensuring that the Shares remain attractive to shareholders with due consideration to the tax credit they enjoy;
- a sufficient portion of CRCD's financial assets must be invested in liquid securities to meet any Share redemption requests in excess of its Class C Issuance share issues and agreed upon commitments in the Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio, taking into account available credit facilities;
- a sufficient portion of the financial assets of CRCD must be invested in income-generating securities to cover CRCD's current expenses.

CRCD's Other investments portfolio may include international securities such as bonds or common stock, but must comply with set guidelines concerning the quality of securities and concentration risk.

CRCD's Board of Directors has created a Financial Asset Management Committee whose primary mandate is to coordinate and match CRCD's financial assets to optimize the risk/return balance and, in this respect, make recommendations to the Board concerning the following issues, among others:

- updates to the global financial asset management policy and the guidelines relating to the underlying investments;
- the hiring of portfolio advisors by Desigardins Capital;
- deviations, as applicable, from the policy and guidelines;
- controlling the risks the Committee is tasked with monitoring.

The Committee monitors CRCD's performance and ensures its compliance with the legislation and regulations relating to financial assets.

As of January 1, 2026, CRCD expects to merge the Financial Asset Management Committee with the Investment Committee. Accordingly, in addition to the primary mandate discussed above, this new committee will also be responsible for approving investments impacting the Québec economy in each of the partner funds. For any additional information about CRCD's complete governance structure, refer to section *9.6.2 Committee roles and responsibilities* in the Annual Information Form.

3.2.4.2 Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio

CRCD strives to ensure that the proportion of financial assets of CRCD's Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio represents at least the equivalent portion of investment requirements set out in the Act, which is 65% of CRCD's average net asset for the prior year.

CRCD invests mainly in economically viable enterprises and cooperatives offering a potential return proportionate to perceived risk. Applications are assessed according to specific criteria, including the competence of the management team, the market position and growth potential of the business, the organization, working methods and calibre of the workforce, product or service quality and price/market fit and export potential, operational and production management, financial standing and profit potential. In addition, to reduce the risk associated with its investments, CRCD aims for healthy diversification across industry sectors and Québec regions, with respect to the size of its investments, the development stage and the type of financial instruments used to make the investments.

As of January 1, 2026, to fulfill the same mission, CRCD will continue to invest in the same businesses and cooperatives, but indirectly, through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital, the Manager. CRCD's Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio will consist only of investments in partner funds eligible under category 2 of the Act. The direct investments currently held will be transferred to the partner funds as of January 1, 2026, and CRCD will hold an equivalent interest in these funds at the value of the transferred investments. Other investors will also be able to invest in certain partner funds (see section 2.2 ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT DETAILS). This new business model will allow for a reduction in certain risks for CRCD (see section 14. RISK FACTORS).

CRCD may invest up to 5% of its assets in a single eligible entity or eligible cooperative and the investment is generally planned for a period of five (5) to seven (7) years. As of January 1, 2026, this limit will still be met through the investments made by CRCD in the partner funds.

CRCD invests mainly in development capital and venture capital in various forms, often acquiring an interest, either as shares or preferred shares or as members' shares in an eligible entity or as unsecured loans. CRCD also invests in partner funds and private external funds. As of January 1, 2026, CRCD will continue to invest in development capital and venture capital, as well as in private external funds, but indirectly, through investments in the partner funds.

4. SHARE CAPITAL AND CAPITALIZATION LIMITS

CRCD's share capital comprises three classes of shares: Class A Issuance, Class B Exchange and Class C Issuance. Class A shares were issued to raise capital until February 28, 2025 and were replaced by Class C Issuance shares effective March 1, 2025, whereas Class B Exchange shares were designed to be exchanged for Class A shares. As a result, no further Class A shares will be issued.

Despite the provisions of the Act in respect of the capitalization of CRCD, the Minister of Finance of Québec, in his Budget 2025-2026 presented on March 25, 2025, authorized CRCD to raise an annual maximum of \$150,000,000 as Class C Issuance common shares and fractional common shares, without par value, for its capitalization period beginning March 1, 2025 and ending February 28, 2026.

For subsequent capitalization periods, until February 28, 2030, the annual maximum that CRCD is authorized to raise will be indexed by \$5,000,000 a year to reach \$170,000,000 for the capitalization period beginning March 1, 2029 and ending February 28, 2030.

For the capitalization periods beginning after February 28, 2030, CRCD may raise, per capitalization period, the lesser of \$150,000,000 in Class C Issuance shares and the amount corresponding to the reduction in paid-up capital attributable to all Shares and fractional Shares redeemed or purchased by agreement by CRCD during the preceding capitalization period.

The share exchange program allowing CRCD to proceed with the exchange of Class A Issuance shares for Class B Exchange shares ended on February 28, 2023.

A special tax is payable by CRCD if it fails to comply with the limit applicable to Class A Issuance shares.

A capitalization period is a period of twelve (12) months beginning on March 1 of each year. For Class A Issuance shares and Class B Exchange shares, the minimum holding period for shares is seven (7) years starting from the date the subscription is accepted, with no maximum holding period. Class C Issuance shares must be held for a minimum period of seven (7) years and be redeemed no later than the last day of February of the capitalization period including their 14th anniversary of holding. Shares may be redeemed or purchased by agreement by CRCD before the end of this seven-year minimum holding period under certain conditions (see sections 9.2 REDEMPTION UNDER THE ACT and 9.3 PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT). Shareholders may submit a request to CRCD for redemption of their Class C Issuance shares within thirty (30) days of their subscription date. Only a natural person of full age may acquire or hold CRCD Shares or fractional Shares.

Further, CRCD may, at its discretion, restrict or suspend the issuance of its Shares during the offering period. In that event, CRCD reserves the right, at any time, to commence or resume the issuance of its Shares, without notice or formality other than the publication of a press release to that effect.

5. USE OF PROCEEDS

5.1 USE OF PROCEEDS OF THE OFFERING

The proceeds of this offering will be allocated to investments. For the most part, the Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio consists of interests in the share capital or partnership capital of SMEs and eligible cooperatives and of unsecured loans to such enterprises. In addition, CRCD invests in various partner funds and private external funds.

As of January 1, 2026, CRCD's Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio will consist solely of investments in partner funds. By pursuing the same mission, CRCD will continue to invest primarily through interests in the share capital or partner ship capital of SMEs and cooperatives, unsecured loans to such enterprises, and in private external funds, but indirectly through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital, the Manager. Investments currently held directly will be transferred to these partner funds effective January 1, 2026, and CRCD will hold an equivalent interest in these funds at the value of the investments transferred (see section 2.2 ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT DETAILS).

The Other investments portfolio consists primarily of bonds, money market instruments, global real estate funds, Canadian equity funds, a global infrastructure fund, and a market neutral equity strategy fund.

Information regarding the proceeds CRCD is authorized to raise under this offering, by capitalization period, is covered under section 4. SHARE CAPITAL AND CAPITALIZATION LIMITS.

5.2 DISTRIBUTION POLICY

CRCD has a policy of reinvesting annual income from its operations proceeds from disposals and not paying dividends to shareholders to increase its capital available for investment in eligible entities and create Share appreciation.

6. CHARGES

6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES PAYABLE BY SHAREHOLDERS

The only fees payable to CRCD with respect to the Shares are administrative fees of \$50 (including taxes) required on opening an account and administrative fees of \$50 (including taxes) on closing an account. However, CRCD's Board of Directors reserves the right to modify its policy with respect to fees at any time. In such an event, CRCD undertakes to advise its shareholders in writing at least thirty (30) days in advance of any change to its policy with respect to fees.

6.2 OPERATING EXPENSES

CRCD pays Desjardins Capital management fees equivalent to a maximum rate of 1.75% of CRCD's annual average assets' value, after deduction of any amounts payable related to investments impacting the Québec economy and other investments. An adjustment is made to the management fees to avoid double billing relative to CRCD's interest in other investment funds, either in the Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio or in the Other investments portfolio (see section 2.2 ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT DETAILS). The Manager and CRCD have agreed that, for a given fiscal year, an adjustment could also be made to allow CRCD to benefit from economies of scale realized by Desjardins Capital in particular in relation to the growth in CRCD's assets. In light of strategic changes in CRCD's business model (see section 2.2 ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT DETAILS), the pricing model will be adjusted accordingly. Although the basis for calculating the total fee paid by CRCD to Desjardins Capital has changed, the fees paid to it by CRCD (management fees for each fund in which CRCD will invest and administrative fees) effective January 1, 2026 will continue to not exceed a maximum of 1.75% of the average value of CRCD assets, net of the deduction and the adjustment to avoid double billing.

Under the new pricing calculation basis, CRCD, as a limited partner of the partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital, will assume management fees for each fund, based on specific rates for each fund in which CRCD will invest. These management fees will be paid for services provided by Desjardins Capital as manager of these funds, based on the amount of CRCD's interest in each of these funds and will also include fees based on each fund's performance. IT development and maintenance costs related to the management of these funds will be included in these management fees. These management fees will be deducted from the returns for each fund. Furthermore, CRCD will pay Desjardins Capital, as investment fund manager, administrative fees for services provided as required, including the management of CRCD's operations, financial strategies, assets, share ownership, risks, capitalization, shareholder relations, governance and reporting. IT development and maintenance costs related to administering CRCD will be included in administrative fees. These administrative fees will be presented in CRCD's operating expenses.

Additionally, CRCD also incurs expenses other than those discussed above for shareholder services, made up essentially of IT development costs for the distribution of Shares, trustee and reporting fees, as well as other operating expenses, consisting mainly, custodial and professional fees, including the annual fee payable to the Federation in connection with distribution of CRCD's shares, audit fees and directors' compensation.

Including management fees, shareholder services expenses and other operating expenses, CRCD's total operating expense and common Share issue expense ratio, as stated in the interim management discussion and analysis as at June 30, 2025, was 1.9% of CRCD's net assets for the period then ended.

7. REGISTERED PLAN OR ACCOUNT

The CRCD Shares do not constitute an eligible investment and cannot therefore be acquired by or transferred into a Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP), a Registered Retirement Income Fund (RRIF), a Tax-Free Savings Account (TFSA) or a First Home Savings Account (FHSA), among others.

8. PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION FOR CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARES

8.1 SUBSCRIPTION FOR CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARES

CRCD shall determine the start date on which it shall accept Class C Issuance share subscriptions under this prospectus. CRCD shall advise investors of this date through a press release.

The minimum amount of the initial subscription for each capitalization period is \$500 and, for that capitalization period, each additional subscription must be a multiple of \$100. The maximum subscription amount for each capitalization period is \$5,000. New shareholders must pay administrative fees of \$50 (including taxes) on opening an account. No fees are payable by the shareholder on the acquisition or sale of CRCD Shares (see section 6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES PAYABLE BY SHAREHOLDERS). Subject to the maximum subscription amount for each capitalization period, a shareholder may acquire Class C Issuance shares until they reach the cumulative subscription limit of \$45,000 at cost (see section 11.1 GENERAL).

Investors must complete the subscription form provided for that purpose, either on AccèsD Internet or at a Caisse, and pay the amount of their subscription together with the administrative fees on opening an account, in the case of a new account, in a single instalment, in cash, by cheque or by funds transfer. The Federation, which is responsible for the distribution of the Shares, will forward the subscription and payment to CRCD. CRCD reserves the right to accept or refuse, in whole or in part, any subscription application. A subscription will be accepted or refused within no more than thirty (30) days. In the event of refusal, CRCD will reimburse the price paid upon subscription and, in the case of a new account, the administrative fees paid on opening the account, without interest, within a maximum of five (5) days.

Within applicable limits, CRCD issues the subscribed Class C Issuance shares as subscriptions are accepted and Class C Issuance shares are paid for. Shares are subscribed for at the price in effect on the date the application is accepted. However, CRCD may elect to process Share subscription requests at the next price to be determined and published by the Board of Directors. This could occur, in particular, if the Board of Directors were to determine that the last published price no longer substantially represented the deemed value of CRCD's assets on the subscription acceptance date and that it was in CRCD's best interests to process such applications at the next price to be determined. Note that the difference between the last published price and the deemed value of CRCD's assets is due to the method specified in the Act for fixing the price of the Shares and may be amplified in the event of significant market volatility (see section 14. RISK FACTORS). In that event, CRCD would advise investors by way of a press release (see section 13. HOW IS A SHARE OF CRCD VALUED?).

To subscribe for CRCD Class C Issuance shares, it is not necessary to be or to become a member of a Caisse.

8.2 OFFERING PROCESS FOR CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARES

To subscribe for Class C Issuance shares, investors must have been selected (see sections 8.2.1 CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARE PRE-SUBSCRIPTION APPLICATION and 8.2.2 SELECTION PROCESS FOR CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARES).

8.2.1 Class C Issuance share pre-subscription application

To subscribe for CRCD Class C Issuance shares, investors must complete the pre-subscription form available on the Desjardins Group website at www.desjardins.com/crcd or via AccèsD Internet during the three-week (3) pre-subscription period set by CRCD and published in a press release. Suitability is validated when the form is completed and only those applications that meet the suitability criteria are eligible.

When completing the form, investors must choose the desired amount of their subscription and select the Caisse with which they wish to do business. If an amount less than the maximum allowable is chosen, it cannot be increased after the deadline.

Depending on demand for CRCD shares, investors could be selected at random for a review of their pre-subscription from among all those who completed the form during the pre-subscription period and meet the suitability criteria. In such a case, the probability of being selected is the same for all investors regardless of when the form is completed during the pre-subscription period, the desired amount of the subscription or the choice of Caisse. Only one form may be completed per investor. Any additional request will be refused.

Completing the form does not automatically guarantee acceptance of the subscription.

Investors who do not have access to the online form must go to the Caisse of their choice where an employee will help them complete the form.

8.2.2 Selection process for Class C Issuance shares

8.2.2.1 Demand for shares higher than the authorized amount for the capitalization period

At the end of the pre-subscription period, if demand for Class C Issuance shares is higher than the amount authorized for the capitalization period, investors will be selected at random from among all those who completed the pre-subscription form and meet the suitability criteria, under the independent supervision of the Desjardins Group Monitoring Office. This will create a random list that determines the order in which pre-subscription requests will be reviewed. Investors selected will then be contacted to make a subscription within a maximum time of four (4) weeks starting from the date on which CRCD begins to accept subscriptions.

Investors who have not been selected will be informed by mail or email.

After that time period, if an amount of Shares is still available, the next investors on the originally prepared list will be contacted in turn until the full amount authorized for the capitalization period has been reached.

If funds are still available after all investors on the list have been contacted, interested new investors may apply by completing the form provided for this purpose, until the authorized amount for the capitalization period is reached, on a first-come, first-served basis.

8.2.2.2 Demand for shares lower than the authorized amount for the capitalization period

At the end of the pre-subscription period, if demand for Class C Issuance shares is lower than the amount authorized for the capitalization period, all investors who have completed the form and meet the suitability criteria will be contacted to make a subscription within a maximum time of four (4) weeks starting from the date on which CRCD begins to accept subscriptions.

After that time period, interested new investors may apply by completing the form provided for this purpose, until the authorized amount for the capitalization period is reached, on a first-come, first-served basis.

8.2.3 Class C Issuance share subscription application

Subject to the possibility of acquiring Class C Issuance shares pursuant to section 8.2.2, investors who have signed up for AccèsD Internet will submit subscription applications via AccèsD Internet and investors who do not have access to AccèsD Internet will submit subscription applications by appointment with a Caisse. In all cases, investors may visit a Caisse for support or financial advice.

CRCD reserves the right to accept or decline, in whole or in part, any request for subscription (see section 8.1 SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR CLASS C ISSUANCE SHARES).

8.2.4 Appointments in person or by telephone

Subject to the possibility of acquiring Class C Issuance shares according to section 8.2.2, investors who are existing CRCD shareholders who have not signed up for AccèsD Internet may choose to make an appointment in person or by telephone at their chosen Caisse to submit their subscriptions. In cases where investors choose an appointment by telephone, an authorized employee will proceed with their subscriptions on their verbal instructions on condition that they already hold CRCD shares at the chosen Caisse and that they complete and sign their subscription forms within 14 days after the date of their appointment.

New shareholders of CRCD who do not subscribe via AccèsD Internet must make an appointment in person at their chosen Caisse to complete and sign their subscription forms.

8.3 PRIOR CLASS A ISSUANCE SALES OR OFFERINGS

Period	Share price	Number of Class A Issuance shares issued
August 16, 2024 to February 14, 2025	\$17.80	7,018,350
February 15, 2025 to August 14, 2025	\$18.64	0
August 15, 2025 to August 25, 2025	\$18.67	0

Considering the recent inception of Class C Issuance shares, no Class C Shares were issued prior to the date of this prospectus.

9. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT

9.1 GENERAL RULES

Generally, due to the minimum holding period of seven (7) years prescribed by the Act, the acquisition of CRCD Shares must be considered a long-term investment. Class C Issuance shares must be redeemed no later than the last day of February of the capitalization period including their 14th anniversary of holding.

CRCD may either redeem the Shares in the circumstances prescribed by the Act or purchase them by agreement in the exceptional circumstances described in a policy adopted by CRCD's Board of Directors and approved by the Québec Minister of Finance. **Except in these circumstances**, **CRCD cannot redeem or purchase Shares by agreement.**

This short form prospectus describes the criteria and requirements applicable for redemption and purchase by agreement of Shares by CRCD. For Share redemption (other than redemption after the minimum holding period of seven (7) years), or purchase by agreement, investors must forward a signed, written request to CRCD giving the grounds for the request and including all required supporting documents. For more information on this procedure, shareholders may visit CRCD's website (capitalregional.com) or contact Investor Relations at 1-888-522-3222. Applications made under the purchase-by-agreement policy will be reviewed by the Board of Directors when all required documents are submitted. In the event that a request is not sufficiently documented to permit its approval, CRCD may request additional relevant documents to ensure that the criteria requirements are met.

Administrative fees of \$50 (including taxes) are required on account closing. No fees are payable by shareholders on the acquisition, exchange or sale of CRCD Shares (see section 6.1 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES PAYABLE BY SHAREHOLDERS).

9.2 REDEMPTION UNDER THE ACT

9.2.1 Redemption criteria

Under the Act, CRCD is bound to redeem all or part of Shares or fractional Shares in the following circumstances:

- at the request of a person who acquired such Class A Issuance or Class C Issuance shares or fractional shares from CRCD at least seven (7) years previously, or of a person who subscribed for such Class B Exchange shares or fractional shares at least seven (7) years previously starting from the subscription acceptance date;
- a Class C Issuance share or fractional share issued whose redemption has not been requested on the last day of February
 of the capitalization period including the 14th anniversary of the issuance of such shareor fractional share;
- at the request of a person to whom such Shares or fractional Shares devolved by succession;
- at the request of a person who acquired the Class C Issuance shares or fractional shares, if the person makes such request in writing within thirty (30) days from the subscription date; or
- at the request of a person who acquired such Shares or fractional Shares from CRCD if the person is declared, in the manner prescribed by by-law of the Board of Directors, to be suffering from a severe and permanent mental or physical disability which prevents the person from working.

For purposes of the preceding paragraph, according to the Act, a disability is severe only if by reason of the disability a person is regularly incapable of holding any substantially gainful occupation. However, in the case of a person sixty (60) years of age or over, a disability is severe if by reason thereof the person is regularly incapable of carrying on the substantially gainful occupation the person held at the time he or she ceased to work owing to the disability. A disability is permanent only if it is likely to result in death or to be of indefinite duration.

In accordance with CRCD's internal policies, the minimum value for redemption of CRCD Shares after the mandatory holding period of seven (7) years is set at \$100 per transaction, and the minimum balance of a Share account of CRCD is set at \$100.

Therefore, a redemption request which would have the effect of reducing the balance of a shareholder's account to an amount of less than \$100 will entail the closing of the account and the return of any amounts owed to the shareholder.

Investors who request a redemption (other than within thirty (30) days of subscribing) cannot claim a tax credit for Share subscriptions taken during the current capitalization period or any subsequent capitalization period (see sections 11.2 REVOCATION OF TAX CREDIT FOLLOWING REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT OR REACHING THE SUBSCRIPTION LIMIT, 11.3 TAX CONSIDERATIONS OF REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT and 11.4 RECOVERY OF TAX CREDIT).

The following table indicates, for each of the redemption criteria prescribed by the Act, CRCD's requirements and any proof that may be required.

REDEMPTION OF SHARES OF CAPITAL RÉGIONAL ET COOPÉRATIF DESJARDINS			
CRITERIA REQUIREMENTS PROOF REQUIRED			
Shares held for at least seven (7) years	Must have acquired Class A Issuance or Class C Issuance shares or fractional shares from CRCD and have held them for at least seven (7) years, or must have subscribed for Class B Exchange shares or fractional shares at least seven (7) years previously starting from the subscription acceptance date, as applicable.	None	
	Redemption instruction form must be completed by the shareholder via AccèsD Internet or at a Caisse and delivered to CRCD.		
Redemption of Class C shares still held on the last day of February of the capitalization period including their 14 th anniversary of holding	CRCD will redeem the Class C Issuance share or fractional share if the shareholder has not requested the redemption of such share or fractional share before the last day of the capitalization period including the 14 th anniversary of its issuance.	None	
Death	Redemption request must be made to CRCD.	Proof of shareholder's death (attestation of death drawn up by physician, or declaration of death from funeral director or copy of act of death issued by the government).	
		AND	
		Original or true copy (certified photocopy) of will (search for a will and probate may be required) or marriage contract if it contains a testamentary provision or, failing the above documents, sworn declaration of transmission by death.	
Redemption request made within thirty (30) days of subscription date	Must have acquired Shares or fractional Shares of CRCD. Request for redemption must be made to CRCD within thirty (30) days of subscription date.	None	

REDEMPTION OF SHARES OF CAPITAL RÉGIONAL ET COOPÉRATIF DESJARDINS			
CRITERIA	REQUIREMENTS	PROOF REQUIRED	
Severe and permanent mental or physical disability preventing shareholder from working	Must have become disabled after Shares were issued. If shareholder is under 60: Must be regularly incapable of holding any substantially gainful occupation. If shareholder is 60 or over: Must be regularly incapable of carrying on the substantially gainful occupation held at the time the shareholder ceased working owing to the disability. Redemption request must be made to CRCD.	Proof of substantially gainful occupation held. AND Notice of acceptance as disabled contributor by Retraite Québec (Québec Pension Board). Or Declaration signed by shareholder and shareholder's physician regarding shareholder's severe and permanent disability.	

9.2.2 Redemption timeframe

Shares will be redeemed within a reasonable time following the request for redemption. Usually this is not more than thirty (30) days following the date on which the request is made and all required documents are submitted, absent a decision of the Board of Directors to process the redemption requests at the next price to be determined and published by the Board of Directors (see section 9.4 SHARE PRICE ON REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT). In such a situation, the redemption could take up to six (6) months following the date on which the request was made and all the required documents were submitted (see sections 13. HOW IS A SHARE OF CRCD VALUED? and 14. RISK FACTORS).

Furthermore, pursuant to the *Companies Act* (Québec), CRCD must meet certain financial tests before making a payment for redeemed Shares. These tests relate to the solvency and the maintenance of CRCD's capital so that it can pay its liabilities when due. Consequently, payment of the price of the Shares may be delayed until CRCD is able to purchase them without infringing these tests. No interest will be paid by CRCD during the time that may elapse before the payment of the redeemed Shares. To date, CRCD complies with these solvency test requirements and has never delayed a redemption due to a failure to satisfy these tests.

9.3 PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT

9.3.1 Purchase-by-agreement criteria

Shares acquired may not be disposed of or transferred to another person, by sale or otherwise, with the exception of a transfer to beneficiaries through an estate. However, CRCD may purchase a Share or fractional Share by agreement only where provided by the purchase-by-agreement policy adopted by the Board of Directors and approved by the Québec Minister of Finance.

Purchase by agreement may only be authorized if it is for the personal benefit of the shareholder.

Investors who request a purchase by agreement (other than for absence of tax credit) by CRCD cannot claim a tax credit for subscriptions taken during the current capitalization period or any subsequent capitalization period (see sections 11.3 TAX CONSIDERATIONS OF REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT and 11.4 RECOVERY OF TAX CREDIT).

9.3.2 Management of purchase-by-agreement policy

The Board of Directors is charged with interpreting and applying the purchase-by-agreement policy. CRCD's decisions regarding requests for purchase by agreement are made in compliance with the principle of the permanency of CRCD's capital.

In every case, requests for purchase by agreement must be made in writing and submitted together with all relevant proof and documents. The request may be for all or a portion of the Shares. In the latter case, purchase by agreement is limited to the particular Shares. However, CRCD will convert any request for partial purchase into a request for purchase of all Shares held with a view to closing the account if acceptance of the request would result in an outstanding balance of fewer than 50

Shares. However, a request for partial purchase due to the absence of a tax credit may only be converted into a request for purchase of all Shares held with a view to closing the account with the express consent of the shareholder. Administrative fees of \$50 (including taxes) are payable on account closing. The grounds on which CRCD may authorize the purchase by agreement of Shares and the information required to support the shareholder's request are set forth in the following table. The table forms an integral part of CRCD's purchase-by-agreement policy.

It is CRCD's intention to authorize all requests that substantiate the claimed criterion and meet the requirements and principles for applying the policy.

PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT OF SHARES OF CAPITAL RÉGIONAL ET COOPÉRATIF DESJARDINS			
CRITERIA	REQUIREMENTS	PROOF REQUIRED AND COMMENTS	
Absence of tax credit	Must have subscribed for Shares without being entitled to the tax credit in respect of such Shares, provided that the shareholder's spouse has not benefited from a transfer of the unused portion of the tax credit in respect of acquisition of the Shares.	Copy of Québec income tax return and notice of assessment or other document delivered by the Ministère du Revenu du Québec indicating value o tax credit granted to shareholder for the year in which Shares were subscribed for. AND	
	OR Be subject to the alternative minimum tax in the year of acquisition of the Shares.	In the event that the shareholder had a spouse at the end of the year in which the Shares were subscribed for, notice of assessment or other document delivered by the Ministère du Revenu de Québec indicating the unused portion of the shareholder's tax credits used to reduce the spouse's income tax payable for the year.	
Emigration from Canada	Must have emigrated permanently	Visa or immigration certificate for another country	
	from Canada.	AND	
		Copy of lease or deed of purchase of a residence outside Canada or proof of employment in another country.	
Terminal illness	Must be suffering from a terminal illness.	Confirmation from attending physician.	
Drgent need for cash to: Pay an extraordinary and unforeseen expense that must be incurred for the Must have an urgent need for cash. AND Must have liquidated other redeemable		Declaration proving the financial situation of the shareholder and, if applicable, of their spouse (family income, expenditures and net worth). AND	
health of the shareholder or one of his	investments (purchase of the Shares by CRCD being a last resort).	Proof that liquid investments have been cashed.	
or her dependents.	AND	AND	
Or Replace essential property that has been accidentally destroyed or	In the case of an extraordinary and unforeseen expense, must have been obliged to incur it for the health of the shareholder or one of their dependents.	In the case of an extraordinary expense, proof of the expense and of its unforeseen nature and that is needed for the health of the shareholder or, as applicable, of any of their dependents.	
damaged and for which the shareholder has not received any compensation.	In the case of the replacement of essential property, must have suffered a loss that destroyed or damaged the property.	In the case of the replacement of essential property, proof of the loss, essential nature of the property and absence of compensation.	

9.3.3 Purchase-by-agreement timeframe

The purchase by agreement of Shares takes place within a reasonable time. CRCD strives to ensure that the timeframe is no more than thirty (30) days after the date the request is accepted, absent a decision of the Board of Directors to process the

purchase-by-agreement requests at the next price to be determined and published by the Board of Directors (see section 9.4 SHARE PRICE ON REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT). In such a situation, the purchase by agreement could take up to six (6) months following the date on which the request was accepted (see sections 13. HOW IS A SHARE OF CRCD VALUED? and 14. RISK FACTORS).

Additionally, as in the case of a redemption, pursuant to the *Companies Act* (Québec), CRCD must meet certain financial tests before making a payment for Shares it has purchased. These tests relate to the solvency and the maintenance of CRCD's capital so that it can pay its liabilities when due. Consequently, payment of the price of the Shares may be delayed until CRCD is able to purchase them without infringing these tests. No interest will be paid by CRCD during the time that may elapse before the payment of Shares that are purchased by agreement. To date, CRCD complies with these solvency test requirements and has never delayed a purchase by agreement due to a failure to satisfy these tests.

9.4 SHARE PRICE ON REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT

The Share price as at the date of this short form prospectus is \$18.67 (see section 13. HOW IS A SHARE OF CRCD VALUED?). If qualified shareholders so request, Shares will be redeemed or purchased by agreement by CRCD at the price in effect on the date the request is accepted. Pursuant to the Act, however, CRCD may elect to process Share redemption or purchase-by-agreement requests at the next price to be determined and published by the Board of Directors. In that event, CRCD advises investors by way of a press release, and no offer from a shareholder to receive the current price rather than the next price will be accepted. The redemption and purchase-by-agreement price of Shares and fractional Shares is at all times identical for the three classes of Shares.

If shareholders request a redemption or purchase by agreement between the end date of a six-month period and the Share price publication date and the request is accepted during that period, shareholders may elect, at the request date, to have shares redeemed or purchased by agreement at the current Share price or at the new Share price to be determined by the Board of Directors and published by CRCD, except where CRCD has announced through a press release that it will process applications at the next price to be determined and published by the Board of Directors. If a shareholder chooses redemption or purchase by agreement at the new price, or if CRCD decides to process requests at the new price, the shareholder must wait for it to be set by the Board of Directors and published by CRCD before receiving payment, regardless of whether it is higher or lower than the price in effect at the time the request is made. No interest will be paid by CRCD during this waiting period.

However, in the case of a person who requests a redemption of Class C Issuance shares within thirty (30) days of subscribing, CRCD will reimburse to the shareholder the price paid for the Class C Issuance share subscription, together with any administrative fees paid on account opening, if any, no later than thirty (30) days following receipt of the redemption request.

For the Class C Issuance shares that have not been redeemed by the last day of February of the capitalization period including the 14th anniversary of the issuance of such shares, CRCD will redeem such shares at the Share price determined based on the audited separate financial statements as at December 31 of the year preceding the redemption date.

10. SHARE TRANSFER

10.1 CAN SHARES BE TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER PERSON?

Shares may not be disposed of or transferred to any other person by sale or otherwise, with the exception of Shares devolved by succession.

10.2 CAN SHARES BE TRANSFERRED INTO AN RRSP, A RRIF, A TFSA OR AN FHSA?

CRCD Shares cannot be transferred into a RRSP, a RRIF, a TFSA or an FHSA.

11. TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS

The following is a summary of the principal tax considerations for shareholders. It does not constitute a tax or legal opinion for any particular investor. Tax considerations will vary based on personal situations. Consequently, prospective investors should consult a tax professional to determine the tax considerations applicable to their personal situation.

11.1 GENERAL

A Class C Issuance subscription entitles shareholders to a non-refundable tax credit, applicable against Québec income tax only, for the purchase of Shares as first purchaser. The tax credit applies to subscriptions accepted at any time during the period beginning March 1 of the given taxation year and ending on the last day of February of the subsequent taxation year.

In Budget 2025-2026, the Québec Minister of Finance introduced a cumulative subscription limit of \$45,000 at cost per shareholder, effective March 26, 2025. All classes of Shares of CRCD's share capital are covered by the amendment. As a result, a shareholder who has already subscribed for Class A Issuance and Class B Exchange shares amounting to \$45,000 or more will be able to keep their shares but will be ineligible to subscribe for Class C Issuance shares. Only shareholders who have not reached the \$45,000 cumulative subscription limit will be able to subscribe for Class C Issuance shares. However, for the purposes of calculating the subscription limit, Shares devolved by succession, Shares redeemed within thirty (30) days of their subscription or Shares purchased by agreement for absence of tax credit will not be included.

The tax credit in respect of a Class C Issuance share subscription is equal to 25% of the total invested amounts, paid during the capitalization period. Accordingly, the maximum amount of tax savings that may be claimed for a given taxation year, for the purposes of Québec income tax only, by means of this tax credit is \$1,250, which corresponds to a purchase of Class C Issuance shares in the amount of \$5,000.

In order to benefit from the tax credit in respect of a CRCD Share subscription during a given taxation year, shareholders must reside in Québec as at December 31 of the given taxation year and file an income tax return for that year. In some cases, the unused portion of the tax credit may be transferred to a spouse. Any portion of the tax credit not used in the taxation year for which the Shares were subscribed may not be claimed in subsequent years.

The tax credit in respect of a CRCD Share subscription is not taken into consideration in calculating the alternative minimum tax payable by a shareholder for a given taxation year. However, the alternative minimum tax otherwise payable may limit the tax credit to which the shareholder is entitled.

11.2 REVOCATION OF TAX CREDIT FOLLOWING REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT OR REACHING THE SUBSCRIPTION LIMIT

In order to benefit from the tax credit in respect of a CRCD Share subscription during a given taxation year, shareholders must not have requested a Share redemption within thirty (30) days of the subscription date or have caused, prior to March 1 of the taxation year following the given taxation year, a Share of CRCD in respect of which they claimed a tax credit to be redeemed or purchased by agreement by CRCD.

Accordingly, investors who request a redemption (other than within thirty (30) days of subscribing) or a purchase by agreement of their Shares by CRCD (other than for absence of tax credit) or who have reached their subscription limit cannot claim a tax credit for Class C Issuance share subscriptions taken during the current capitalization period or any subsequent capitalization period.

11.3 TAX CONSIDERATIONS OF REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT

The redemption or purchase by agreement of CRCD Shares may entail certain tax considerations for shareholders who subscribed for Shares or for the person to whom Shares devolved by succession.

The redemption or purchase by agreement of Shares (or fractional Shares) implies the disposition of the share for tax purposes. Therefore, a capital gain or loss may occur if the price obtained at the time of the redemption or purchase by agreement differs from the adjusted cost base (tax cost) of such Shares. The adjusted cost base (tax cost) is the average cost of all Shares bought and still held at the time of the disposition.

Capital gain for tax purposes is the difference between the price obtained (proceeds of disposition) and the adjusted cost base (tax cost) of the Shares at redemption or purchase by agreement. The tax credit in respect of acquisition of Shares will not reduce the adjusted cost base (tax cost) of Shares acquired for the purpose of determining the capital gain.

Capital loss for tax purposes is the difference between the price obtained (proceeds of disposition) and the adjusted cost base (tax cost) of the Shares at redemption or purchase by agreement. This loss must be reduced by the amount by which the tax credit in respect of the acquired Shares exceeds the amount of special tax paid at redemption or purchase by agreement, as the case may be (see section 11.4 RECOVERY OF TAX CREDIT). The adjusted capital loss, if applicable, is deemed an allowable capital loss against any capital gain in the current year, and if a balance remains, against any capital gain during the three previous taxation years and/or future taxation years.

The calculation of the capital gain or loss applies for both federal and Québec income tax purposes.

11.4 RECOVERY OF TAX CREDIT

The tax credit in respect of the acquisition of Shares will be recovered by the Ministère du Revenu du Québec by means of a special tax, if Shares with respect to which the tax credit was claimed are held for less than seven (7) years.

This special tax shall be equal to the amount determined under the following formula:

$$\frac{2,556 - A}{2.556} \times B$$

Where:

- "2,556" is the number of days the Shares should have been subscribed for by the shareholder to fulfill the minimum holding period of seven (7) years and, if applicable, by the person to whom the Shares devolved by succession;
- "A" represents the number of days for which the Shares were subscribed for by the shareholder and, if applicable, by the person to whom any such Share devolved by succession;
- For all Class C Issuance shares acquired after February 28, 2025 and eligible for the 25% tax credit, "B" represents the lesser of 25% of the amount paid by the shareholder to acquire such shares and the price paid for their redemption or purchase by agreement;
- For all Class A Issuance shares acquired after February 28, 2021 and before March 1, 2025 and eligible for the 30% tax credit, "B" represents the lesser of 30% of the amount paid by the shareholder to acquire such shares and the price paid for their redemption or purchase by agreement;
- For all Class B Exchange shares acquired after February 28, 2018 and eligible for the 10% tax credit, "B" represents the lesser of 10% of the value of the Class A Issuance shares tendered for exchange to subscribe for such shares, as of the subscription acceptance date, and the price paid for their redemption or purchase by agreement;
- For all Class A Issuance shares acquired after February 28, 2018 and before March 1, 2021 and eligible for the 35% tax credit, "B" represents the lesser of 35% of the amount paid by the shareholder to acquire such shares and the price paid for their redemption or purchase by agreement;
- For all Class A Issuance shares acquired after February 28, 2016 and before March 1, 2018 and eligible for the 40% tax credit, "B" represents the lesser of 40% of the amount paid by the shareholder to acquire such shares and the price paid for their redemption or purchase by agreement;

CRCD will withhold this special tax from the amount payable upon redemption or purchase by agreement of the Share. It will remit to Revenu Québec the amounts so withheld, on behalf of shareholders who requested the redemption or purchase by agreement of the Shares, within thirty (30) days following the redemption or purchase of the Shares.

The following table summarizes certain effects of the redemption or purchase by agreement of a Share of CRCD.

IMPACT OF REDEMPTION OR PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT OF SHARES		
REASONS FOR REDEMPTION OR	TAX CREDIT ON SUBSEQUENT SUBSCRIPTION	Subject to
PURCHASE BY AGREEMENT		SPECIAL TAX
Redemption		
Held for seven (7) years	NO ⁽¹⁾	NO
Disability	NO	YES
Death	NOT APPLICABLE	YES ⁽²⁾
Within thirty (30) days of subscription	YES	NO
Purchase by agreement		
 Absence of tax credit 	YES	NO
Emigration	NO	YES ⁽³⁾
Terminal illness	NO	YES
Urgent need for cash	NO	YES

⁽¹⁾ Except on Shares devolved by succession

²⁾ Except on Shares acquired between March 1 and December 31 in the year of death

⁽³⁾ Except on Shares acquired in the year of emigration

12. SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

The Shares confer the right to vote at any meeting of the shareholders of CRCD, to elect three (3) representatives to the Board of Directors, to receive any dividend that may be declared, to require CRCD to redeem the Shares, subject to certain conditions set forth in the Act, and to receive, in the case of winding-up or dissolution of CRCD, a share in the residual assets of CRCD.

Also, CRCD is bound to redeem Class C Issuance shares at the price at which they were acquired provided the request is made in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of the initial subscription. The price paid for the Class C Issuance share subscription is reimbursed and the administrative fees paid on account opening, if any, are reimbursed in full, without interest, no later than thirty (30) days following receipt of the redemption request.

The amendment of rights in respect of Shares is subject to the provisions of the Act and the applicable provisions of the *Companies Act* (Québec). As at the date of this prospectus, it is not CRCD's intention to amend the rights in respect of Shares.

In addition, the Securities Act (Québec) provides shareholders with certain rights (see section 18. RIGHTS OF WITHDRAWAL AND RESCISSION).

13. HOW IS A SHARE OF CRCD VALUED?

The Board of Directors determines the Share price for purposes of issuance, redemption, other than redemption requested within thirty (30) days of the subscription date, and purchase by agreement of Shares. The issuance, redemption and purchase-by-agreement price of Shares and fractional Shares is identical at all times for the three classes of shares.

The price per Share, and fractional Share, is fixed twice a year, on dates six (6) months apart, by CRCD's Board of Directors, based on the separate audited financial statements of CRCD prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

The price per Share is obtained by dividing the value of CRCD as at the valuation date by the total number of outstanding Shares as at that date.

The fact that there is an active market for certain assets and that there is no active market for certain other assets must be taken into consideration in determining the value of the various assets of CRCD.

The Board of Directors may also proceed to determine other prices of issuance, redemption or purchase by agreement of Shares at any other time during the year, on the basis of an internal valuation. In each such case, an independent chartered accountant must issue a special report attesting that the principles and methods used to perform CRCD valuations were consistently applied in accordance with an internal policy approved by the Board of Directors and, in each case, an independent auditor must issue a report attesting to the compliance with the internal policy.

CRCD's fiscal year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31 each year. The first half-year ends on June 30 and the second half-year ends on December 31. The price per Share is set at the end of each six-month period and published within the following ninety (90) days. It is impossible to predict the future value of CRCD Shares (see section 14. RISK FACTORS).

During the valuation period, shareholders who request redemption more than thirty (30) days after the date of their subscription for or purchase by agreement of Shares will have the option, if expressly stated in the request, of receiving the price in force at the date the request is received by CRCD or of postponing the redemption or purchase by agreement until the end of the valuation period in order to receive the new Share price when it is known. Shareholders who request redemption of their Class C Issuance shares within thirty (30) days of the subscription date will receive the price paid for the subscription.

14. RISK FACTORS

Investment in CRCD Shares entails the following risks:

Risks related to share characteristics

- Regardless of the merits and objectives of CRCD, investors should consider the value of the investment, bearing in mind that the amount they will receive upon redemption or purchase by agreement of the Shares may be less than the price originally paid for such Shares.
- There is no active market for the Shares and they may only be transferred with the consent of CRCD to beneficiaries through an estate. CRCD is required to redeem Shares or fractional Shares in the following cases only: (1) where Class C Issuance shares have been held for 14 years; (2) at the request of the person who acquired such Shares or fractional Shares from CRCD at least seven (7) years previously; (3) at the request of a person to whom such Shares or fractional Shares devolved by succession; (4) at

the request of a person who acquired the Shares or fractional Shares from CRCD, if the person requests redemption by CRCD in writing within thirty (30) days after subscribing for the Shares or fractional Shares; or (5) at the request of a person who acquired the Share or fractional Shares from CRCD if the person is declared, in the manner prescribed by by-law of the Board of Directors, to be suffering from a severe and permanent mental or physical disability which prevents the person from working.

- As at June 30, 2025, the balance of Shares eligible for redemption amounted to nearly \$1,193,200,000. During the second half of 2025, additional Shares with an approximate value of \$174,600,000 will also become eligible for redemption for a potential total of approximately \$1,367,800,000. This amount will be reduced by the amount of Shares redeemed or purchased by agreement during the second half of 2025.
- If there is a risk of unfairness in the management of CRCD's share ownership because the most recent published price is no longer substantially representative of the deemed value of CRCD's assets as of the current date, payment of the Share price could be delayed by up to six (6) months if CRCD decides to process redemption and purchase-by-agreement requests at the next price to be determined and published by the Board of Directors. This could occur in the event of exceptional circumstances that can have unpredictable effects on economies and financial and capital markets and thereby significantly affect the share price. CRCD has therefore adopted a policy to define the criteria enabling CRCD's Board of Directors to determine the existence of such circumstances that justify the decision to process redemption and purchase-by-agreement requests at the next published price. Moreover, pursuant to the *Companies Act* (Québec), CRCD must meet certain financial tests before paying for Shares redeemed or purchased by agreement. These tests relate to the solvency and the maintenance of CRCD's capital so that it can pay its liabilities when due. Consequently, payment of the price of the Shares may be delayed until CRCD is able to purchase them without infringing these tests.

Risks related to type of investment

- The Share price varies according to fluctuations in the value of investments impacting the Québec economy and other investments made by CRCD. Investments impacting the Québec economy are made in SMEs according to investment standards and where the investment risk is generally higher (see section 3. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS). As of January 1, 2026, investments impacting the Québec economy will be made exclusively through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital that qualify under category 2 of the Act. These funds will also be exposed to fluctuations in value of their investments in companies and cooperatives, as well as in external funds and, accordingly, will not result in any change in the risk of fluctuations in value of investments impacting the Québec economy.
- In pursuing its Investments impacting the Québec economy mission, CRCD is exposed to credit and counterparty risks related to potential financial losses if a partner company fails to fulfill its commitments or experiences a deterioration of its financial position. By diversifying its investments by investment profile and financial instrument type and by limiting the potential risk of each partner company, CRCD has limited portfolio volatility due to negative events. To comply with eligibility rules for investments impacting the Québec economy CRCD does not generally require guarantees to limit credit risk on its loans. As of January 1, 2026, investments impacting the Québec economy will be made exclusively through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital with other partners being able to invest additional capital in some of these funds. Consequently, CRCD's credit and counterparty risk would be shared with these other investors, particularly for companies that more significantly affect the return of CRCD's Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio when they incur financial losses or their financial position deteriorates.
- CRCD is exposed to concentration risk arising from the possibility that a significant portion of the Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio or its Other investments portfolio might become concentrated in a single entity, industry, region or financial product, which could render CRCD vulnerable to any financial difficulties experienced by such entity, industry, region or financial product. CRCD applies legislation, policies, guidelines and various analyses to limit or monitor its concentrations. However, by way of its economic development mission, CRCD will always be significantly influenced by the economic environment of Québec and its regions. As of January 1, 2026, investments impacting the Québec economy will be made exclusively through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital, which will have the mission of Québec economic development. Consequently, this will not result in any significant change in CRCD's exposure to concentration risk.
- Interest rate fluctuations have an impact on the market value of fixed-income securities, global infrastructure funds, and global real estate funds held in the portfolio for which fair value is determined based on market conditions (interest rate risk). The Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio is also exposed to interest rate risk arising from the loans held. As of January 1, 2026, investments impacting the Québec economy will be made exclusively through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital. Partner funds holding loans will also have the same exposure to changes in interest rates and, accordingly, will not result in changes to CRCD's market risk related to interest rates. For fixed income securities, a rise in interest rates would have a negative impact on the fair value of these stocks while declining interest rates would lead to an increase in their fair value. Given that CRCD matches the maturities of bonds and liquid instruments held in its portfolio with the average maturity of expected cash outflows, the longer-term effect of interest rates on results should be limited. For global real estate funds and

global infrastructure funds, there is no direct correlation between changes in interest rates and changes in fair value of these asset classes.

- Stock market trends have a twofold impact on CRCD. In addition to the direct impact on the market values of publicly traded stocks, the valuations of some private portfolio companies may also be affected. As of January 1, 2026, investments impacting the Québec economy will be made exclusively through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital. These funds will also have the same exposure to stock market fluctuations and, accordingly, will not result in changes to CRCD's market risk related to stock markets. To broaden the diversification of the Other investments portfolio, CRCD holds investments in Canadian and market neutral equity funds.
- Changes in currency values have an impact on the activities of a number of CRCD's partner companies. As of January 1, 2026, investments impacting the Québec economy will be made exclusively through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital. These funds will also have the same exposure to currency fluctuations and, accordingly, will not result in any changes to CRCD's market risk related to foreign currencies. The net effect of an appreciation in the Canadian dollar is not necessarily always negative for these companies, nor is a depreciation necessarily positive. However, rapid fluctuations in the Canadian dollar heighten the difficulties faced by these companies. Currency fluctuations impact the fair value of assets initially measured in a foreign currency and subsequently translated into Canadian dollars at the prevailing rate of exchange. CRCD aims to systematically hedge currency risk for assets measured in foreign currency, unless that is an element of the expected long-term return of an asset class (global infrastructure, global real estate and market neutral equity strategy), which thereby limits the effects of foreign currency fluctuations.
- Public health crises, military operations, acts or threats of terrorism, tariffs and other similar events may have unpredictable effects on domestic and global economies and stock markets. These events could result in greater volatility in the fair value of listed equities and bonds and adversely affect the performance of the Shares of CRCD and potentially affect, to a greater or lesser degree, certain risks associated with an investment in CRCD.

Risks arising from CRCD's current operations

- Since CRCD is required to meet certain financial tests, but nevertheless has the freedom to suspend, at its discretion, the issuance of common Shares or to make all of its investments in the form of non-liquid investments that cannot be sold on short notice, there may be delays in the payment of the redemption price or the price of purchase by agreement of Shares for which a request for redemption or purchase by agreement has been made to CRCD (liquidity risk). It is impossible to determine in advance the precise length of such delays. However, this risk is reduced by CRCD's strategy of matching the average term of its anticipated cash outflows with the average maturity of its bonds and liquid instruments. Furthermore, credit facilities have been put in place to provide greater cash management flexibility. CRCD uses its available credit facilities, in addition to liquid securities held, to access sufficient liquidity to meet its cash requirements for ongoing operations. Cash requirements such as for redemptions of Shares and investments impacting the Québec economy are not necessarily matched by cash inflows such as subscriptions of Shares and disposals of investments. In order to optimize the management of liquid assets and thereby benefit from the performance of other, better-performing asset classes, credit facilities are drawn down daily on an ad hoc basis. As of January 1, 2026, investments impacting the Québec economy will be made exclusively through partner funds managed by Desjardins Capital. As open-ended funds, partner funds that may have limited partner investors alongside CRCD will provide CRCD with greater flexibility in managing its liquidity, compared to investments made directly in eligible companies or cooperatives. This structure will allow CRCD to redeem its interests or transfer its units as it sees fit in accordance with these partner funds' terms and conditions.
- As CRCD's Shares are generally valued semi-annually and Share subscription, redemption or purchase by agreement transactions are typically executed at the last published price at any time during the six-month period, it should be noted that that price is not necessarily representative of the deemed value of CRCD's assets on the transaction acceptance date. Any difference is due to the method specified in the Act for fixing the price of the Shares and may be amplified in the event of significant market volatility.
- CRCD may accept or refuse a subscription in whole or in part. As a general rule, a Class C Issuance share subscription will be accepted or refused within no more than thirty (30) days. If an application for Class C Issuance shares is refused, all sums that the investor has paid in respect of the application will be returned to the subscriber without interest, within a maximum of five (5) days.

Cybersecurity risks

The cybersecurity risks faced by CRCD, its Manager, their service providers, its partner companies and its shareholders have increased in recent years due to the proliferation of cyberattacks targeting computers, IT systems, software, data and networks. While Desjardins Group has a robust and evolving information security program that includes policies, processes, technologies and professionals dedicated to protecting the information, systems and networks, these measures may not be sufficient to ward

off cyberattacks. Potential effects include violation of privacy laws or data protection regulations or significant disruption of access to CRCD's network or operations, which could result in disclosure of confidential information, access to sensitive information, or destruction or corruption of data.

Risk arising from the services provided to CRCD by Desigrdins Capital and its affiliates

CRCD relies on Desjardins Capital and its affiliates for substantially all its operations. CRCD has entrusted Desjardins Capital with management of its operations, including management of its Investments impacting the Québec economy portfolio and its Other investments portfolio. Its affiliates also provide services to CRCD, including the Federation as distributor of its shares, Desjardins Trust as registrar and custodian of its assets, and DGAM as investment advisor (see section 10.4 The Manager's affiliates in the Annual Information Form). If Desjardins Capital and its affiliates were to encounter significant financial or operational difficulties, it could impact CRCD's operations and financial performance.

Conflict of interest risk

The services provided by Desjardins Capital and its directors, officers and employees are not exclusive to CRCD, and these directors, officers and employees are not required to devote all their time to their responsibilities to CRCD. Certain inherent conflicts arise from the fact that the Manager and its affiliates may engage in investment fund management and investment fund activities for other funds and clients. Future investment activities carried out by the Manager, including creating other investment funds impacting the Québec economy, may give rise to additional conflicts of interest. For more details on the procedures in place to manage potential conflicts of interest, see sections 10.2 CRCD's governance rules concerning conflicts of interests and 10.3 The Manager's governance rules concerning conflicts of interests in the Annual Information Form.

Regulatory risks

CRCD is subject to provincial and federal laws, rules, standards, regulations and policies as well as internal rules, regulations and
policies that provide a framework for its operations. The risk stems from CRCD's ability to adapt to any regulatory amendment
or tightening of policies already in effect.

Investors can find further information on risk factors in the interim management discussion and analysis as at June 30, 2025.

15. SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

Within a few days following a transaction, shareholders receive confirmation in writing of the transaction.

Moreover, shareholders are entitled to receive a confirmation in writing of the number of Shares or fractional Shares that they own and of the amount they have paid for such Shares. Such confirmation is provided to shareholders free of charge, at least once a year, in the form and according to the procedure prescribed by by-law of CRCD. Desjardins Trust has been appointed by CRCD as registrar, with the task of delivering such written confirmation to shareholders.

If a method of confirmation other than a share certificate is prescribed, the document delivered to shareholders replaces a certificate issued in accordance with section 53 of the *Companies Act* (Québec).

Each year, CRCD sends all shareholders a notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders together with a business reply card allowing shareholders, inter alia, to obtain free of charge at any time after the meeting and within a reasonable delay, a copy of the audited separate annual financial statements and a copy of the interim audited separate financial statements within ninety (90) days after the end of the interim period of CRCD.

The Regulation respecting Development Capital Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure, which came into effect on June 1, 2008, establishes most of the continuous disclosure obligations that apply to CRCD.

16. SHAREHOLDER PERSONAL INFORMATION

To maintain and manage all of the administrative activities required in the normal course of business, CRCD must collect, use and share shareholders' personal information. This personal information is used mainly to open accounts, issue Shares and maintain records, and also for redemptions and purchases by agreement.

CRCD treats shareholders' personal information as confidential. Personal information is available only to employees or agents who need to access it in order to perform their duties.

Shareholders have the right to review their personal information held by CRCD and to request that any incomplete, ambiguous or irrelevant information be corrected. They may make a request in writing to CRCD to obtain access to their file. Generally, CRCD expects to be able to respond to such requests within thirty (30) days of receiving them. For more information, see the Privacy Policy available at www.desjardins.com/privacy-policy.

17. EXEMPTIONS

CRCD has been exempted by the Autorité des marchés financiers from having to list its securities on a stock market to qualify for the short form prospectus regime.

CRCD, the Federation and the Caisses, together with their officers and permanent and temporary employees, are exempt from the requirement to register as a dealer and dealing representative for the offering of CRCD shares only.

Mutual fund dealers duly registered in Québec and their representatives are also exempt from the requirement to register as a dealer and dealing representative for the offering of CRCD shares only.

18. RIGHTS OF WITHDRAWAL AND RESCISSION

The Securities Act (Québec) provides shareholders with the right of rescission. This right must be exercised within two (2) business days following the actual or deemed receipt of the short form prospectus and its amendments. Such legislation further provides shareholders with remedies for rescission, price revision or damages where the short form prospectus contains false or misleading information, or was not delivered to shareholders. Such remedies should be exercised by shareholders within the statutory time limit. Shareholders should refer to any applicable provisions for the particulars of these remedies or consult a lawyer, as the case may be.

19. CERTIFICATE OF CRCD

Dated August 25, 2025

This short form prospectus, together with the documents incorporated herein by reference, constitutes full, true and plain disclosure of all material facts relating to the securities offered under this short form prospectus as required by the securities legislation of Québec.

By: <u>(signed) Linda Labbé</u> Linda Labbé, CPA Desjardins Group Relations Director

By: <u>(signed) Frédéric Deschênes</u>
Frédéric Deschênes, BBA
Chief Financial Officer

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CAPITAL RÉGIONAL ET COOPÉRATIF DESJARDINS

By: <u>(signed) Jean-Guy Senécal</u> Jean-Guy Senécal, FCPA Chair of the Board of Directors

By: <u>(signed) Vanessa Guimond</u>
Vanessa Guimond, D. Tax, CPA Auditor
Director

20. CERTIFICATE OF THE MANAGER

Dated August 25, 2025

This short form prospectus, together with the documents incorporated herein by reference, constitutes full, true and plain disclosure of all material facts relating to the securities offered under this short form prospectus as required by the securities legislation of Québec.

By: <u>(signed) Nathalie Bernard</u>
Nathalie Bernard, CPA, CMA
Chief Operating Officer

By: <u>(signed) Alexandre Mailhot</u>
Alexandre Mailhot, CPA
Chief Financial Officer

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF **GESTION DESJARDINS CAPITAL INC.**

By: <u>(signed) Jean-Yves Bourgeois</u>
Jean-Yves Bourgeois
Chair of the Board of Directors

By: <u>(signed) Antoine Avril</u>
Antoine Avril, M.Sc.
Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors