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### **Masoud Farzaneh honored for partnership with Hydro-Quebec**

Chicoutimi, September 24, 2010 - Professor Masoud Farzaneh of University of Quebec in Chicoutimi (UQAC) was awarded an excellence prize by the Quebec Association for Industrial Research (ADRIQ), jointly with the Natural Sciences and Engineering Council of Canada (NSERC) in recognition of his remarkable and fruitful partnership with Hydro-Québec. This distinction was attributed during the "Let's celebrate partnerships" evening in Montreal, September 23, in presence of leaders from industry and academia.

The partnership link between Prof. Farzaneh and Hydro-Quebec, which began more than 25 years ago, steadily gained in importance with the realization of several major NSERC sponsored R&D projects and with the creation, in 1997, of the CIGELE Industrial Chair on atmospheric icing of power network equipment. It is worth noting that the excellent performance of CIGELE led to its renewal over three successive 5-year mandates, till September 2012. Moreover, following the Great 1998 Ice Storm, Hydro-Quebec importantly contributed to the establishment of the Icing Research Pavilion, at UQAC, in 2000.



M. Farzaneh with M. Bourdages (r.), Head of electrical equipment, IREQ/Hydro-Quebec, and J.-L. Legault, president of ADRIQ, at the prize attribution ceremony.