

Bernard Lord

Bernard Lord is President and CEO of the Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association. He also serves as director and advisor for several corporate and non-profit organizations and he is a member of the New Brunswick Law Society.

Born on September 27, 1965 in Roberval, Québec, Mr. Lord was raised in Moncton, New Brunswick in a bilingual home. He holds a bachelor's degree in social science with a major in economics, as well as a bachelor's degree in common law from the Université de Moncton. He also received honorary doctorate degrees from the University of New Brunswick, the Université de Moncton and from St-Thomas University.

He became one of Canada's youngest premiers at the age of 33. In June 1999, he led the New Brunswick Progressive Conservative Party to one of its greatest victories. Mr. Lord won a second majority in 2003 and served as premier until October 2006. He was elected four times as the Member of the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly for the district of Moncton East.

From December 2007 until March 2008 he served as Special Advisor on official languages to the Government of Canada.

His leadership and vision is characterized by a balanced approach, pursuing economic success and social progress while ensuring that government lives within its means.

Mr. Lord has often been recognized as a national leader and consensus builder for his work with the Council of Federation, Conference of New England Governors and Eastern Canadian Premiers and La Francophonie. He was chosen as one of Time Magazine's top 25 New Generation of Leaders in Canada as well as being awarded the title of Grand Officier de l'Ordre de la Pleiade from the International Association of Francophone Parliamentarians. In 2007 he was awarded the Order of New Brunswick.