

## Communiqué de presse



## InnovaFonds supports Proxité, an association dedicated to the success of young people and reinforcement of social bonding

**Paris, March 26, 2018** - InnovaFonds supports Proxité, an association dedicated to the success of young people and reinforcement of social bonding. The association focuses primarily on high priority regional areas and young people who are either isolated or protected.

Its mission is to trust based relationships and interaction opportunities between young people and professionals within the framework of sponsorship. The exchanges involve school, studies, orientation and professional integration according to the young people's needs and evolution.

A free commitment for both the young people and sponsors for whom the only criteria for involvement are a motivation and availability to engage in a sponsor relationship. The ages of the young who benefit from sponsorships range from 11 and 30 years of age.

In 2017, 941 young people were in a sponsor relationship that included over 1 000 cultural outings and discovery of professions/occupations and 26,000 hours of meetings with youth/professionals and overall volunteer engagement.

Proxité is convinced that success for everyone hinges upon one's ability to reach out to others and to create multiple bridges linking schools, studies and the working world.

Founded in 2002 in Ile-de-France, Proxité continues its national expansion: Toulouse in 2015, where nearly 200 young people are now accompanied each year, Lille, Rennes, and Nice. For 2018, Proxité's project is to reach new geographic areas and support more than 1000 young people.

Lending support to Proxité is to strengthen our company's commitment to society favoring equal opportunities, social diversity and the integration of youth.

www.proxite.com

## About InnovaFonds

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