# Desjardins Two-Step Participation ESG Global Equity Principal Protected Notes, Series 438

## Client summary

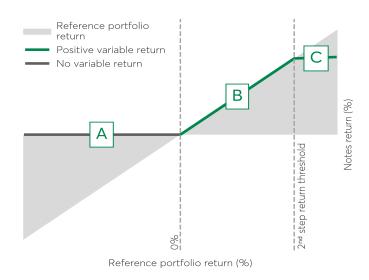
Designations

The notes provide the client with the opportunity to obtain a first-step return plus an additional return linked to the performance of a portfolio of 20 equities from sustainability leaders in various sectors from around the world. The principal is fully protected at maturity.

Principal protection at maturity	100%
Term	3 years
1 <sup>st</sup> step participation rate	100.00%
Capped 1 <sup>st</sup> step return	15.00%
2 <sup>nd</sup> step return threshold	15.00%
2 <sup>nd</sup> step participation rate	5.00%
Return potential	Unlimited
Fundserv code	DSN01244

Selling period	November 17, 2025 to December 5, 2025				
Issue date	December 12, 2025				
Maturity date	December 12, 2028				
Minimum investment	\$1,000				
Currency	Canadian dollar				
Eligibility for investment	RRSP, RRIF, RESP, RDSP, DPSP, TFSA, FHSA, non-registered accounts				
Liquidity	A secondary market is maintained daily on certain conditions and subject to an early trading fee. This fee goes from 2.25% initially to 0% after 180 days.				

# Return profile at maturity



This graph illustrates how the Note's variable return at maturity is affected by the reference portfolio return at maturity. It depicts the relationship between the reference portfolio return, the  $2^{nd}$  step return threshold and a hypothetical  $1^{nt}$  step and  $2^{nd}$  step participation rate.

## How does it work?

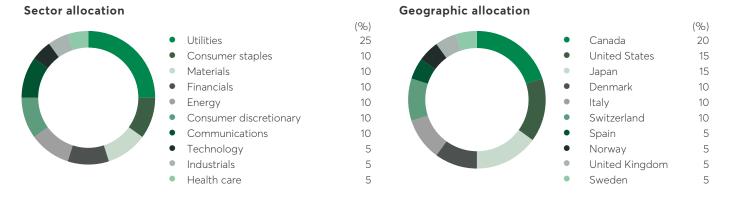
- a) Reference portfolio return is negative. The client is entitled to receive its principal back at maturity thanks to 100% principal protection feature. No variable return will be paid at maturity under the negative reference portfolio return scenario.
- b) Reference portfolio return is positive and below the 2<sup>nd</sup> step return threshold. Notes' variable return matches the 1<sup>st</sup> step return (reference portfolio return multiplied by the 1<sup>st</sup> step participation rate)
- c) Reference portfolio return is positive and above the 2<sup>nd</sup> step return threshold. Notes' variable return equals the capped 1st step return (the product of the 1<sup>st</sup> step participation rate and the 2<sup>nd</sup> step return threshold) plus any additional return on the reference portfolio, subject to the 2<sup>nd</sup> step participation rate.

# The reference portfolio

The reference portfolio is made up of common shares issued by 20 companies from different countries and from various sectors, as set out below. The companies included in the portfolio undergo both a financial analysis and an ESG screening further to which the following ESG strategies are implemented:

- Exclusion of companies that operate in the tobacco, fossil fuel, nuclear or arms industries.
- Evaluation of environmental, social and governance (ESG) practices with the aim to identify the companies that adopt the best approaches regarding priority issues of their industry, are not involved in any controversies deemed severe and favour companies with positive ESG momentum.

The reference portfolio return will not take into account any dividends and/or distributions and does not reflect fluctuations in exchange rates of foreign currencies. The dividend yield of the reference portfolio as at October 31, 2025 was 3.02%.



Company	Ticker	Principal exchange	Weight	Sector
Telenor ASA	TEL	Oslo	5.00%	Communications
Swisscom AG	SCMN	Zurich	5.00%	Communications
Saputo Inc.	SAP	Toronto	5.00%	Consumer staples
General Mills Inc.	GIS	New York	5.00%	Consumer staples
Sekisui House Limited	1928	Tokyo	5.00%	Consumer discretionary
Daiwa House Industry Co., Ltd.	1925	Tokyo	5.00%	Consumer discretionary
Vestas Wind Systems A/S	VWS	Copenhagen	5.00%	Energy
First Solar Inc.	FSLR	NASDAQ	5.00%	Energy
Kubota Corporation	6326	Tokyo	5.00%	Industrials
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	AEM	Toronto	5.00%	Materials
Holmen AB	HOLMB	Stockholm	5.00%	Materials
Intact Financial Corporation	IFC	Toronto	5.00%	Financials
Partners Group Holding AG	PGHN	Zurich	5.00%	Financials
Hydro One Limited	Н	Toronto	5.00%	Utilities
Orsted A/S	ORSTED	Copenhagen	5.00%	Utilities
Iberdrola SA	IBE	Madrid	5.00%	Utilities
ENEL SpA	ENEL	Milan	5.00%	Utilities
Terna - Rete Elettrica Nazionale	TRN	Milan	5.00%	Utilities
AstraZeneca Plc	AZN	London	5.00%	Health care
Texas Instruments Inc.	TXN	NASDAQ	5.00%	Technology

# Hypothetical performance scenarios

The following examples are for illustrative purposes only. The prices used in the examples are not estimates or forecasts of the reference asset prices on the relevant dates. The Fédération des Caisses Desjardins du Québec does not provide or guarantee any particular variable gain or return on the notes. Each scenario is based on the case of a holder who invested \$10,000 in the notes and assumes no adjustments or exceptional circumstances have occurred.

#### **SCENARIO 1**

Reference portfolio return is positive and above the 2<sup>nd</sup> step return threshold at maturity

Company	Weight (%)	Initial value (\$)	Final value (\$)	Reference asset return (%)	Weighted reference asset return (%)	
Telenor ASA	5.00	150.60	246.10	63.41	3.17	
Swisscom AG	5.00	589.50	957.05	62.35	3.12	
Saputo Inc.	5.00	33.89	58.57	72.82	3.64	
General Mills Inc.	5.00	46.61	65.58	40.70	2.03	
Sekisui House Limited	5.00	3,311.00	3,856.98	16.49	0.82	
Daiwa House Industry Co., Ltd.	5.00	5,233.00	8,320.99	59.01	2.95	
Vestas Wind Systems A/S	5.00	131.95	204.93	55.31	2.77	
First Solar Inc.	5.00	266.94	325.56	21.96	1.10	
Kubota Corporation	5.00	2,000.50	2,592.85	29.61	1.48	
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	5.00	225.58	474.73	110.45	5.52	
Holmen AB	5.00	359.20	405.75	12.96	0.65	
Intact Financial Corporation	5.00	261.63	290.88	11.18	0.56	
Partners Group Holding AG	5.00	982.40	1,155.99	17.67	0.88	
Hydro One Limited	5.00	51.73 115.80 17.57	90.72 141.06 20.25	75.37 21.81 15.25	3.77	
Orsted A/S	5.00				1.09	
Iberdrola SA	5.00				0.76	
ENEL SpA	5.00	8.77	10.10	15.17	0.76	
Terna - Rete Elettrica Nazionale	5.00	8.89	11.75	32.17	1.61	
AstraZeneca Plc	5.00	12,470.00	24,498.56	96.46	4.82	
Texas Instruments Inc.	5.00	161.46	204.05	26.38	1.32	
Reference portfolio return (Sum of weighted	asset return)				42.83%	
1st step participation rate					100.00%	
Capped 1st step return						
2 <sup>nd</sup> step participation rate (applied on return above 15.00%)						
2 <sup>nd</sup> step return						
Variable return paid (capped 1st step return + 2nd step return)						
Annual compound rate of return					5.18%	
Payment at maturity = \$10,000 × (1 + variable return at maturity) =						

## **SCENARIO 2**

Reference portfolio return is positive and below the 2<sup>nd</sup> step return threshold at maturity

Company	Weight (%)	Initial value (\$)	Final value (\$)	Reference asset return (%)	Weighted reference asset return (%)	
Telenor ASA	5.00	5.00 150.60		16.08	0.80	
Swisscom AG	5.00	589.50	667.02	13.15	0.66	
Saputo Inc.	5.00	33.89	39.18	15.61	0.78	
General Mills Inc.	5.00	46.61	47.15	1.16	0.06	
Sekisui House Limited	5.00	3,311.00	2,786.87	-15.83	-0.79	
Daiwa House Industry Co., Ltd.	5.00	5,233.00	5,404.64	3.28	0.16	
Vestas Wind Systems A/S	5.00	131.95	183.71	39.23	1.96	
First Solar Inc.	5.00	266.94	307.06	15.03	0.75	
Kubota Corporation	5.00	2,000.50	2,289.77	14.46	0.72	
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	5.00	225.58	317.84	40.90	2.04	
Holmen AB	5.00	359.20	333.66	-7.11	-0.36	
Intact Financial Corporation	5.00	261.63	292.84	11.93	0.60	
Partners Group Holding AG	5.00	982.40	1,057.36	7.63	0.38	
Hydro One Limited	5.00	51.73 115.80 17.57	63.83 127.37 20.92	23.39 9.99 19.07	1.17	
Orsted A/S	5.00				0.50	
Iberdrola SA	5.00				0.95	
ENEL SpA	5.00	8.77	11.63	32.61	1.63	
Terna - Rete Elettrica Nazionale	5.00	8.89	9.73	9.45	0.47	
AstraZeneca Plc	5.00	12,470.00	12,322.85	-1.18	-0.06	
Texas Instruments Inc.	5.00	161.46	77.16	-52.21	-2.61	
Reference portfolio return (Sum of weighted	asset return)			·	9.83%	
1st step participation rate					100.00%	
1st step return						
2 <sup>nd</sup> step participation rate (applied on return above 15.00%)						
2 <sup>nd</sup> step return						
Variable return paid (1st step return + 2nd step return)						
Annual compound rate of return						
Payment at maturity = \$10,000 × (1 + variable	e return at maturity) =				\$10,983.16	

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SCENARIO 3
Reference portfolio return is negative and variable return is equal to zero at maturity

Company	Weight (%)			Reference asset return (%)	Weighted reference asset return (%)	
Telenor ASA	5.00	5.00 150.60		1.49	0.07	
Swisscom AG	5.00	589.50	585.26	-0.72	-0.04	
Saputo Inc.	5.00	33.89	30.73	-9.32	-0.47	
General Mills Inc.	5.00	46.61	48.88	4.87	0.24	
Sekisui House Limited	5.00	3,311.00	3,297.42	-0.41	-0.02	
Daiwa House Industry Co., Ltd.	5.00	5,233.00	4,990.71	-4.63	-0.23	
Vestas Wind Systems A/S	5.00	131.95	126.79	-3.91	-0.20	
First Solar Inc.	5.00	266.94	253.65	-4.98	-0.25	
Kubota Corporation	5.00	2,000.50	1,922.08	-3.92	-0.20	
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	5.00	225.58	212.02	-6.01	-0.30	
Holmen AB	5.00	359.20	331.22	-7.79	-0.39	
Intact Financial Corporation	5.00	261.63	271.05	3.60	0.18	
Partners Group Holding AG	5.00	982.40	957.45	-2.54	-0.13	
Hydro One Limited	5.00	51.73 115.80 17.57 8.77	51.86 109.66 16.65 8.23	0.25 -5.30 -5.24 -6.16	0.01	
Orsted A/S	5.00				-0.27	
Iberdrola SA	5.00				-0.26	
ENEL SpA	5.00				-0.31	
Terna - Rete Elettrica Nazionale	5.00	8.89	9.28	4.39	0.22	
AstraZeneca Plc	5.00	12,470.00	11,996.14	-3.80	-0.19	
Texas Instruments Inc.	5.00	161.46	155.86	-3.47	-0.17	
Reference portfolio return (Sum of weighted	l asset return)	'	'		-2.68%	
1st step participation rate					100.00%	
1st step return						
2 <sup>nd</sup> step participation rate (applied on return above 15.00%)						
2 <sup>nd</sup> step return						
Variable return paid (1st step return + 2nd step return)						
Annual compound rate of return						
Payment at maturity = \$10,000 × (1 + variable	e return at maturity) =				\$10,000.00	

## Investment summary

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Issuer	Fédération des caisses Desjardins du Québec named "the Fédération"		
Issuer's credit rating	A+ by S&P / Aa2 by Moody's / AA by DBRS / AA by Fitch		
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Minimum investment	\$1,000 (10 notes)		
Payment currency	Canadian dollar		
Issue date	December 12, 2025		
Initial valuation date December 12, 2025			
Final valuation date December 5, 2028			
Maturity date December 12, 2028			
1st step participation rate Participation rate applicable to the first 15.00% of reference portfolio return. Is equal to 100.00%			
2 <sup>nd</sup> step return threshold	Is equal to 15.00%		
Capped 1 <sup>st</sup> step return	The product of the first-step participation rate and the second-step return threshold. Is equal to 15.00%		
2 <sup>nd</sup> step participation rate	Participation rate applicable to the reference portfolio return above 15.00%. Is equal to 5.00%		

## Return on your investment

### Calculating the total payment at maturity

Subject to the occurrence of certain special circumstances, an investor will receive, for each note held at maturity, (i) the principal amount and (ii) a variable return, if any, based on the price return of a portfolio of equally weighted securities (the "portfolio").

#### Calculating the variable return

• The variable return, if any, will be calculated by the calculation agent on the final valuation date in accordance with the following formula:

If the portfolio return is positive but lower than the second-step return threshold, the variable return will be equal to: [Principal amount] × [first-step return]

If the portfolio return is equal to or higher than the second-step return threshold, the variable return will be equal to [Principal amount] × [capped first-step return + second-step return]

The variable return does not reflect fluctuations in exchange rates of foreign currencies

The first-step return means a percentage equal to:

[First-step participation rate] × [reference portfolio return].

The second-step return means a percentage calculated as follows:

[Second-step participation rate] × [reference portfolio return - second-step return threshold]

- The reference portfolio return means the weighted average return of the reference assets comprising the reference portfolio
- The reference asset return means the percentage change of:

[Closing price - initial price] /divided by initial price

# The terms of your investment

#### Secondary market

The notes will not be listed on any stock exchange.

Desjardins Securities Inc. intends to maintain, under normal market conditions, a daily secondary market for the notes, but is under no obligation to facilitate or arrange a secondary market, and in its sole discretion, may stop maintaining a market for the notes at any time, without any prior notice.

To the extent that an available secondary market does exist, an investor may be able to sell a note, in whole or in part, subject to an early trading fee. An investor who sells a note prior to the maturity date will receive sales proceeds (which may be less than the principal amount of the notes and less than the variable return that would otherwise be payable if the notes were maturing at such time) equal to the bid price for the note posted through Fundserv.

#### Selling agent's commission

The Fédération will pay to the selling agent a selling commission equal to \$1.50 for each note sold (equivalent to 1.50% of the principal amount).

#### Early trading fees

An early trading fee will apply to secondary market redemption orders of the notes made through the Fundserv network within 180 days of the purchase date. These fees will be based on a percentage of the principal amount as follows:

If sold within (days)	1 to 30 (%)	31 to 60 (%)	61 to 90 (%)	91 to 120 (%)	121 to 150 (%)	151 to 180 (%)	Thereafter
Early trading fees	2.25	2.00	1.75	1.50	1.25	1.00	Nil

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# Is this investment right for you?

## The suitability of these notes

The Notes may be suitable investments for medium term investors who are looking for additional diversity in their investment portfolio through exposure to a portfolio that invests in equities but who need the safety of principal protection. The Notes are generally not suitable for investors who anticipate the need to sell them prior to maturity.

A person should make a decision to invest in the Notes only after carefully considering, with his or her advisors, whether the Notes are a suitable investment in light of his or her investment objectives, investment horizon, risk tolerance, financial situation, the composition of their current investment portfolio, and the information set out in the Information Statement among other factors. No recommendation is made herein as to whether the Notes are a suitable investment for any person.

#### Certain tax considerations

The Canadian income tax consequences of investing in the Notes are described in the Information Statement. Generally, the full amount of the Variable Return will be required to be included in a Noteholder's income in the taxation year of the Noteholder that includes the Maturity Date. A Noteholder should also consider the income tax consequences of a disposition of the Notes prior to the Maturity Date. Noteholders should consult their own tax advisors for advice with respect to the income tax consequences of an investment in Notes, based on their particular circumstances. The information provided in this summary is of a general nature only and is not intended to be, nor should it be relied upon as, legal or tax advice to any Noteholder.

#### Absence of deposit insurance

The Notes do not constitute guaranteed deposits within the meaning of the *Deposit Institutions and Deposit Protection Act* (Quebec), the *Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation Act*, or any other deposit insurance regime designed to ensure the payment of all or a portion of a deposit upon insolvency of the deposit-taking institution.

# Legal notes

This document must be read in conjunction with the Information Statement dated November 13, 2025 related to the Notes. The Information Statement and certain additional information about the Notes can be found on the Desjardins Structured Notes' website <a href="https://www.desjardinsstructurednotes.com">www.desjardinsstructurednotes.com</a>. This document may only be distributed and the Notes may only be offered or sold in those jurisdictions and to those persons where and to whom they may be lawfully offered for sale and where not restricted by policies of the Fédération and/or dealers, and then only through persons duly qualified to effect such sales. The Notes have not been, and will not be, registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and are being offered or sold in the United States under an exemption from registration.

The Notes are not conventional notes or debt securities. For the various risks associated with such an investment, please see the Risk Factors to Consider section of the Information Statement.

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