



Bentley Systems Establishes Strategic Technology Hub in Québec City to Advance Infrastructure AI and Digital Twin Innovation

QUÉBEC CITY – 20 May 2026 – [Bentley Systems, Incorporated](#) (Nasdaq: BSY), the infrastructure engineering software company, today announced the opening of a new office in Québec City, establishing a strategic hub for technology development. This expansion signifies a long-term investment in the region, which is recognized for its growing base of engineering and technology expertise, and strong university partnerships.

"Bentley Systems' expansion in Québec City is a testament to the enviable reputation our city has earned as an ecosystem conducive to investment in technological innovation," said Bruno Marchand, mayor of Québec City. "By choosing Québec City as a global hub for the advancement of AI and digital twins, Bentley is creating high-value-added jobs for our engineering and technology talent pool and contributing to the city's appeal in a rapidly growing and strategic field."

This expansion comes as the world faces unprecedented demand for better, more resilient infrastructure to support economic growth, secure access to energy and other critical resources, and address the effects of extreme weather events. Bentley's investment in Québec City is a direct response to this challenge, leveraging technological advancements—in particular, AI—to dramatically improve the productivity of infrastructure engineers.

To support this new center of excellence, Bentley plans a total investment of nearly 10 million Canadian dollars, including growing its local workforce by close to 60% to deepen its integration into Québec's high-tech sector.

The Québec City hub is one of five key global locations for Bentley's R&D operations. It will play a critical role in accelerating the company's mission by focusing on applied AI innovation, and bringing together teams working across geospatial, geotechnical, and civil engineering disciplines to help advance the world's infrastructure.

"To keep pace with the dynamic shifts in both infrastructure and technology, we need innovation, precision, and speed," said Julien Moutte, chief technology officer at Bentley Systems. "Opening this hub in Québec City is a deliberate expansion into a world-class AI ecosystem. We are bringing together top talent to develop the technological breakthroughs needed to reshape the future of infrastructure."

The office will be locally led by Francois Valois, senior vice president, Bentley Open Applications, Bentley Systems. The team is actively hiring for multiple roles, underscoring Bentley's view that technologies like AI are expanding the need for skilled engineering talent, not reducing it.

Francois Valois added, "Our commitment to Québec City extends well beyond our office walls to fostering a robust local ecosystem. We are strengthening our relationships across the city's tech, engineering, and academic communities. We want to help students realize how their skills can solve the world's biggest infrastructure challenges right here in Québec."

Carl Viel, president and CEO at Québec International, noted, "Bentley Systems' announcement demonstrates that the Québec City region is a credible hub sought after by global leaders in technology and AI. It also reflects the success of Québec International's approach to international subsidiaries, which we support in their expansion, innovation, and long-term establishment projects. The fact that 64% of projects in 2025 will come from reinvestment by growing subsidiaries is tangible proof of this."

The decision to invest in Québec City is based on the region’s unique combination of a thriving technology community, premier academic institutions, great quality of life, and a clear, real-world pipeline of infrastructure projects where innovation can be applied and scaled.

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Associated images:



Caption: Ribbon cutting event at Bentley Systems’ new technology hub in Québec City, L to R: Carl Viel, president and CEO, Québec International; Julien Moutte, chief technology officer, Bentley Systems; Bruno Marchand, mayor of Québec City; Nicholas Cumins, CEO, Bentley Systems; and Francois Valois, senior vice president, Bentley Open Applications, Bentley Systems. (Image courtesy of Bentley Systems)



Caption: Bentley Systems’ Francois Valois, senior vice president, Bentley Open Applications, demonstrates an AI-powered city digital twin at the launch of the company’s new Québec City technology hub. (Image courtesy of Bentley Systems)

About Bentley Systems

Around the world, infrastructure professionals rely on software from Bentley Systems to help them design, build, and operate better and more resilient infrastructure for transportation, water, energy, cities, and more. Founded in 1984 by engineers for engineers, Bentley is the partner of choice for engineering firms and owner-operators worldwide, with software that spans engineering disciplines, industry sectors, and all phases of the infrastructure lifecycle. Through our digital twin solutions, we help infrastructure professionals unlock the value of their data to transform project delivery and asset performance.

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