

ENSTA PARISTECH INTENSIFIES ITS COLLABORATIONS IN CHINA

Official launching of a Double-Degree between ENSTA ParisTech and Tsinghua University (China)

On October 20th in Beijing, Dr. Elisabeth Crépon, Director of ENSTA ParisTech, and Prof. SI Yigong, Vice-President of Tsinghua University, officially launched a new Double-Degree program between the French "Grande Ecole" ENSTA ParisTech and the Department of Automotive Engineering of Tsinghua University.

During this ceremony, Dr. Elisabeth Crépon, Director of ENSTA ParisTech, and Chairman of the International Committee of ParisTech declared: *"The relations between Tsinghua University and French Graduate Schools of Engineering are of great interest for French academia and the industrial world."*

A high-level scientific training oriented towards companies' needs

This brand new Double Degree program aims to train Chinese and French students with a dual goal: a very high level scientific background together with a "hands on" training added by the French "Grande Ecole" system through numerous internships and projects, together with strong connections with companies. Graduates will obtain the Bachelor & the Master's Degrees from Tsinghua University and the "Diplôme d'Ingénieur" of ENSTA ParisTech, equivalent to a Master of Science in Engineering.

Graduates from this Double Degree program will be able to pursue their studies with a PhD or to be directly hired after their graduation by companies that should be highly interested in their cutting-edge profile.

Strong support from industrials and from the French Embassy in China

French companies in the transportation sector operating in China and Sino-French joint-ventures have expressed a strong interest in the program symbolized by their presence at the ceremony: Renault-Nissan (Alliance Global Vice-President; Vice-President Communications), Faurecia (Group Country HR Vice-President), Valeo (Knowledge Manager; Sales Director) and Dongfeng (Human Resources Director) participated to the event. High-level multicultural engineers trained through this program will undoubtedly represent very promising profiles for these companies, both in France and in China.

The program also received the support from the French Embassy in China, with the presence of the Counsellor for Science and Technology, the Attaché for Science and Technology, the Attachée for University Cooperation, and the Economic Counsellor in charge of Industry.

Students selected to take part to this program will be eligible for financial support provided by the China Scholarship Council (CSC), in the framework of the agreement between CSC and ParisTech, that was signed in May 2015 in the presence of Laurent Fabius, Minister of Foreign Affairs & International Development and Vice-Premier of China, LIU Yandong.

More broadly, this program is considered by the partners as a promising opportunity to explore potential collaborations, including research, between Tsinghua, the schools of ParisTech and the Automotive Industry. Using this program as a model, contacts have been initiated between other Schools of Tsinghua and ParisTech to duplicate this program in other sectors, creating the conditions to explore new avenues for stronger collaborations between Tsinghua University and the ParisTech.

About ENSTA ParisTech: www.ensta-paristech.fr

ENSTA ParisTech is a French “*Grande École*” (*Graduate School of Engineering*) under the supervision of the Ministry of Defence, providing high-level scientific education leading to several degrees (“Diplôme d’ingénieur”, Master’s Degree, Ph.D., “Mastères Spécialisés”), and conducting high-level applied research in close collaboration with industrial partners. ENSTA ParisTech is acknowledged as a leading institution in the fields of transport, energy and complex systems engineering.

ENSTA ParisTech is deeply involved in the development and visibility of French higher education, at international, national and local levels - it is one of the founding members of the Université Paris-Saclay, ParisTech and the ENSTA Group.

The key figures are:

- 680 students in 2014-2015
- 30% of women among the students
- 30% of international students
- 72 international agreements
- 19 international double-degree agreements
- 13 Master’s programs in 2015 in with the framework of Université Paris-Saclay
- 1 doctoral school
- 4 “Mastères Spécialisés” (Advanced Master’s Degree)

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