



Press release

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Institut Mines-Télécom's General Management Board and a part of Télécom SudParis relocate to Palaiseau

The impressive building measuring 200 meters long by 100 meters wide, designed by Grafton Architects, the Irish firm that won the architecture competition, opened its doors on Monday, 21 October 2019, housing IMT's general management board and a part of Télécom SudParis, joined by Télécom Paris on Monday, 28 October.

In all, approximately 1,350 students and nearly 700 faculty and staff members are now located at 19, Place Marguerite Perey in Palaiseau. The first two floors of the 40,000 square-meter building are devoted to student life and classrooms, while labs and research platforms are spread out over the other floors. The building also features a multimedia library, a creative lab, a FabLab, a restaurant, two cafeterias, sports areas, large auditoriums and a number of interior courtyards with greenery.

The €150 million project was financed 70% by the sale of the building at the Télécom Paris site in the 13th arrondissement and by an additional endowment from the State.

Situated at the center of the École Polytechnique district, the building is conveniently located across from the future Palaiseau station on line 18 of the Grand Paris Express. This location was decided upon in 2009 as part of the campus operation, and has taken on greater meaning since the founding in May 2019 of Institut Polytechnique de Paris, in which IMT is involved through its two graduate schools, Télécom Paris and Télécom SudParis.

"This project has been a long time in the making and it's finally a reality – I'm delighted for our two schools and for IMT as a whole, since it will ultimately benefit from this exceptional environment," says Odile Gauthier, Executive Director of IMT. *"This is a historic day for Télécom SudParis,"* added Christophe Digne, Dean of the School, at the opening of the Palaiseau building on 21 October 2019.

For the two schools, this location represents an opportunity to work more closely with one another as well as with IP Paris schools, research centers and major corporations located on the Plateau de Saclay.

"We're happy to see this major project come to fruition – it's a historic milestone for Télécom Paris. By moving to the IP Paris campus, our students, faculty members and staff will benefit from a new environment, which is certainly very different from Butte aux Cailles, but which



will provide greater opportunities for interactions between training, research and innovation," says Yves Poilane, Director of Télécom Paris.

About IMT: www.imt.fr

Institut Mines-Télécom is a public institution of higher education and research, under the authority of the French Ministry for the Economy, Industry and Digital Affairs, which groups together 8 graduate schools, 2 subsidiaries and a network of strategic and affiliated partners. Its activities in the fields of engineering sciences and digital technology support the education of engineers and managers, partnership-based research, innovation and economic development. Always tuned into the economic world, IMT combines high academic and scientific legitimacy with proximity to business and strategic positioning in the major transformations of the 21st century: digital, industrial, energy and ecology, and education. IMT is a founding member of the Industry of the Future Alliance, the co-founder of the German-French Academy for the Industry of the Future with TUM and has two Carnot institutes, attesting to the quality of its partnership-based research. Every year IMT trains over 12,000 students, carries out research contracts worth 70 million euros, and its incubators host some hundred start-ups.

About Télécom Paris: www.telecom-paris.fr

Télécom Paris is ranked as one of the top four general engineering graduate schools in France. Recognized for its close ties with business, this public school guarantees excellent employability in all industries and has emerged as the number-one engineering graduate school in the field of digital technology. Its excellent training and innovative teaching methods place Télécom Paris at the heart of a unique ecosystem of innovation, built upon the interaction and cross-disciplinary nature of its training, interdisciplinary research, its two business incubators and its campuses (Paris and Sophia Antipolis – Eurécom). Its LTCI laboratory has been recognized by HCERES as an outstanding unit in the field of digital sciences for its excellent international reputation, exceptional number of initiatives supporting the socio-economic world and industry, and for its great contribution to teaching.

As a founding member of Institut Polytechnique de Paris, and a member of IMT (Institut Mines-Télécom), Télécom Paris is positioned as the college for innovation through digital technology on the Plateau de Saclay.

About Télécom SudParis – www.telecom-sudparis.eu

Télécom SudParis is a leading public engineering graduate school recognized for its very high standard in the field of digital sciences and technology. Its outstanding training is based on the scientific excellence of its faculty members and teaching methods focusing on team projects, disruptive innovation and entrepreneurship. Télécom SudParis has an enrollment of 1,000 students, including 700 engineering students and around 150 PhD students. Télécom SudParis is part of Institut Mines-Télécom, France's leading group of engineering schools, and shares its campus with the Institut Mines-Télécom Business School. Télécom SudParis is the co-founder of Institut Polytechnique de Paris (IP Paris), a world-class scientific and technological institution, along with Ecole Polytechnique, ENSTA Paris, ENSAE ParisTech and Télécom Paris.

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