



Press release

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The Board of Governors at Centrale Nantes takes a step towards a successful Nantes I-SITE and building a new experimental institution

Meeting on 3 June, the Board of Governors at Centrale Nantes voted in favour of creating an experimental institution with the I-SITE's founding members, (within the scope of the order n° 2018-1131 of 12 December 2018), in which Centrale Nantes, as a component institution, would have a remit to federate engineering.

The board reaffirmed its support for an institution based on an ambitious project that affirms certain values: to play an active role in ecological and solidarity transition, to place Nantes firmly on the global map, in particular, and to engage in an interdisciplinary approach with a focus on priority areas such as health, industry of the future and ocean engineering.

The Board of Governors agreed that the statutes of the experimental institution should guarantee that Centrale Nantes fully exercise the prerogatives of its moral and legal personality.

These strategic directions will guide the Board of Governors in selecting the school's new director who will have responsibility for taking the project forward. The recruitment process is ongoing. On 17 June, the Board of Governors will draw up a shortlist of candidates to be interviewed on 2 July. A debate will be held on 3 July, followed by a vote, the results of which will then be forwarded to the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

About Centrale Nantes

Founded in 1919, Centrale Nantes is a French engineering school and member of the Ecoles Centrale Group. Its undergraduate, Master and PhD programmes are based on the latest scientific and technological developments and the best management practices. At Centrale Nantes, research and training are organised into three key areas for growth and innovation: manufacturing, energy transition and healthcare. With research platforms ranging from digital simulation to prototyping using full scale models and an incubator with 20 years of experience in supporting start-up projects, the school has two major tools for innovation and creation, working hand in hand with industry. Centrale Nantes promotes its teaching and research capabilities at international level through around 100 partnerships with prestigious universities and schools worldwide.

Centrale Nantes welcomes 2,410 students, including 1,440 undergraduate students, 170 Executive Education and ITII degree apprenticeship students, 270 PhD students, 430 Masters students, and 100 Bachelor/Foundation Master students on its 40-acre campus.

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