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ESEN (école supérieure de l'éducation nationale) – the National Education training college for executive management staff – devises, runs and implements training courses for the French Ministry of Education's administrative and educational executive managers in national, regional and local departments, secondary schools and higher education establishments.

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for executive management staff

A training institution with a national assignment

The training college was founded by a decree of 29 April 2003 and operates in conjunction with the director of executive management of the Ministry of Education. It is located within the Futuroscope advanced technology centre near Poitiers (France).

Its mission involves devising, running and implementing training for the French Ministry of Education's administrative and educational executive managers. More specifically, its activity covers throughout the career in the management training :

- ◇ following the competitive recruiting procedure for managerial staff for public-sector secondary schools, primary and secondary school inspectors and administrative consultants in schools and universities,
- ◇ managers taking up new duties (school leaders, primary and secondary school inspectors),
- ◇ for which actualization and approfondissement knowledge and competences is essential for's to adapt with developments in the field of education.



A few figures

Trainees

- ◇ more than 400 trainees in the first and second years of initial training,
- ◇ more than 1000 trainees in in-service training.

Information and communication technologies in support of training

- ◇ a resource centre offering multimedia supports,
- ◇ 70 freely accessible computers connected to Internet,
- ◇ video conferencing system,
- ◇ premises equipped with WiFi terminals.

Diversified human resources

- ◇ 30 correspondents in the local education authorities,
- ◇ 66 permanent members of staff,
- ◇ 120 associate trainers,
- ◇ 500 tutors,
- ◇ 700 lecturers.

A dedicated, operational working environment

- ◇ a restaurant and a 100 room hall of residence,
- ◇ the resources of the Futuroscope advanced technology park,
- ◇ 4 lecture halls seating a total of 539, 31 training rooms, 3 computer rooms,
- ◇ more than 20 000 books, 140 periodicals and CD-ROMs available in ESEN's resource centre.

ESEN as a resource centre

ESEN has a top-quality library and an Internet site, and considers it extremely important to be able to provide access to resources entirely devoted to education executive management functions. In this regard, ESEN has become an essential reference point.



ESEN as part of a network

A training network

The staff at ESEN run a national network of professionals, including tutors, associate trainers, and training correspondents in the local education authorities. ESEN devises and organises brainstorming sessions, discussions and seminars on the French education system.

A network of partners

As part of the network of French public-sector schools (RESP), ESEN is involved in devising and running interministerial training courses, seminars for trainers, and think-tank groups. In cooperation with the universities, ESEN is committed to constructing training schemes leading to specific qualifications. In partnership with the national training institutions, especially those onsite in Poitiers, ESEN takes part in forward thinking on the education system, ensures active monitoring of its evolution, and acts as a resource centre.

ESEN is open to the international dimension

ESEN incorporates the European dimension into its training for executive management staff and provides a window onto international thinking on education. It contributes its expertise in the field of executive management to international cooperation by providing both foreign ministries in the field and the French Ministry for Foreign Affairs with assistance and advice. It seeks to promote French skills in executive management in the education field by receiving delegations from other countries.

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