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The Cour des comptes signs a pedagogical partnership with École Polytechnique, ENSAE Paris and Télécom Paris

This new pedagogical partnership applies to École Polytechnique's *Master of science and technology (MScT) "Data and economics for public policy"*, which will be launched in September 2023. By participating in this Master's programme, the Cour des comptes wishes to contribute to the training of future experts capable of appraising and enlightening the contemporary public policies' decision-making.

The MScT "*Data and economics for public policy*" is a new course at the nexus of data science and economic analysis for the framing and implementation of contemporary public policies. This Master's degree brings together École Polytechnique, the Genes (within the scope of ENSAE Paris and the Center for Research in Economics and Statistics) and Télécom Paris - Institut Polytechnique de Paris (IP Paris)' entities. These institutions bring together their talents in economics, econometrics and data science, as well as their experience in training engineers and civil servants.

The Master's programme aims to provide students with the tools to develop effective, evidence-based solutions and equip them with knowledge and understanding needed to reform and enhance public policies - with a focus on the quantitative methods in the framing, analysis, and resolution of public policy problems.

Thanks to this partnership, the Cour des comptes will take part in the Master's courses and conferences, and will be able to offer internships and case studies to the students of the programme.

For Pierre Moscovici, First President of the Cour des comptes: "*This partnership is in line with the democratic requirement to strengthen the evaluation of public policies, which is one of the strong orientations of our strategic project JF2025. Through the use of public data, these future experts will fully contribute to informing the action and the relevance of the policies evaluated, and I am delighted that the Cour des comptes is taking part in their training within this Master.*"

"*Now more than ever, decision-making in public affairs is informed by data so we are very pleased with this partnership with the Cour des comptes, which is an opportunity for students and a recognition of the quality of this Master*" emphasise Pierre Boyer and Franck Malherbet, co-directors of the programme and respectively professor at École Polytechnique and professor at ENSAE Paris.

[Learn more about the MScT](#)



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ABOUT ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE / École polytechnique, also known as L’X, is the leading French institution combining top-level research, academics, and innovation at the cutting-edge of science and technology. Its various undergraduate and graduate-level programs – Bachelor of Science, Ingénieur Polytechnicien (Master’s level program), Master’s, and PhD – are highly selective and promote a culture of excellence with a strong emphasis on science, anchored in humanist traditions. As a widely internationalized university, École polytechnique offers a variety of international programs and attracts a growing number of foreign students and researchers from around the globe (currently 41% of students and 40% of faculty members). École polytechnique offers an exceptional education to prepare bright men and women to excel in top-level key positions and lead complex and innovative projects which meet the challenges of 21st century society, all while maintaining a keen sense of their civil and social responsibilities. With its 23 laboratories, 22 of which are joint research units with the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS), École polytechnique Research Center explores the frontiers of interdisciplinary knowledge to provide major contributions to science, technology, and society. École polytechnique is a founding member of Institut Polytechnique de Paris.

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ABOUT ENSAE PARIS / Created 80 years ago, ENSAE Paris is a leading engineering school for quantitative economics and sociology, statistics and data science, finance and actuarial science. ENSAE’s strength and originality lie in its historical pedagogical project combining applied mathematics, economics and quantitative social sciences, in a rigorous yet open-minded manner. ENSAE graduates are unique in their ability to model economic and social phenomena and harness the most advanced methods to make sense of data and inform the decisions of companies and public institutions.

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ABOUT TELECOM PARIS / Télécom Paris is one of the top-four French general engineering schools. With excellent teaching and innovative practices and techniques, Télécom Paris is at the heart of a unique innovation ecosystem, based on the interaction and transversality of its training, interdisciplinary research, its business incubator based in Paris, and its recent location in Palaiseau in the heart of the Institut Polytechnique de Paris campus. Its LTCI laboratory is promoted by the HCERES as a flagship unit in the field of digital sciences with a remarkable international influence, an exceptional volume of activities geared towards the socio-economic world and companies, and a strong commitment to training. A founding member of the Institut Polytechnique de Paris, an IMT (Institut Mines-Télécom) school, Télécom Paris is positioning itself as one of the leaders in digital innovation on the Saclay plateau.

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ABOUT THE COUR DES COMPTES / Created in 1807, the Cour des comptes is situated between Parliament and the Government, which it assists. It is the supreme audit institution responsible for auditing and ensuring the proper use of public funds. The Cour des comptes and the 23 Regional and Territorial Chambers of Accounts (RTCAs) form the financial jurisdictions. Within the framework provided by the law, they freely define their work programme, have powers to carry out their audit based on documents and on-site investigations, freely adopt their conclusions and enjoy editorial freedom. They are present in the public debate through the publication of their reports, and aim to be useful to decision-makers and citizens alike, actively contributing to the improvement of public management and its results.

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