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Thierry Fritsch (E80)
President of the
ESSEC Foundation



EDITORIAL

“ *Dear donors,*

ESSEC Business School is doing well, and that's also thanks to you!

A splendid new eco-responsible campus was inaugurated in 2025 in Cergy, financed to the tune of 10 million euros by your donations.

ESSEC's position in the rankings is strong. The Grande École is number 2 in France, but often number 1 for academic excellence. Our BBA is number 1 in France.

As for the MBA, our traditional weak point, it is making a significant breakthrough in 2026 in the Financial Times rankings.

Social scholarships, entrepreneurial scholarships, academic excellence and the endowment fund, we need your support and generous donations more than ever !

Warm regards,

KEY FIGURES



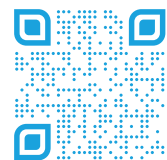
€30M

raised since 2011



3,200

donors



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ESSEC IN THE WORLD



FRENCH AND INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS



#4 Master in Finance
#7 European Business School



#1 Mastère Spécialisé Gestion Achats Internationaux & Supply Chain (GAISC)
#2 Master in Marketing (MMD)
#3 Master in Management (SMIB)
#4 Master in Business Analytics (DSBA)



#1 Management School most committed to the ecological transition



#2 in Business Schools



#2 Grande École
#1 Global BBA



#2 Business schools ranking

Vincenzo Vinzi
Dean and President
ESSEC Business School



EDITORIAL

“ *Dear donors,*

Faced with the challenges of a constantly and rapidly evolving world, ESSEC is positioning itself more than ever as a melting pot of collective intelligence, resolutely focused on innovation and transformation, to train the enlightened leaders of tomorrow.

Your unwavering support for the Foundation is the driving force that allows us to achieve this bold vision. It is essential in strengthening the academic excellence of our programs, broadening social inclusion to welcome all talents, and amplifying our impact as a world-renowned institution.

To address the crucial challenges of our time, ESSEC has structured four major thematic Institutes, transdisciplinary platforms that are laboratories of ideas and actions which mobilize our faculty, our students and our partners to address the most pressing societal issues, whether it be Artificial Intelligence, geopolitics, innovation or ecological and social transitions.

I extend my warmest thanks for your invaluable commitment. Together, let us continue to make ESSEC the school that dares to think bigger, that puts knowledge and our values of humanism and responsibility at the service of positive and shared progress. Your generosity is an essential catalyst for this collective transformation.

I am counting on you to support ESSEC in this new phase of expansion!

KEY FIGURES



79,000
ESSEC Alumni
worldwide



8,534
students



38.29%
international
students

THE MISSIONS OF THE ESSEC FOUNDATION

The ESSEC Foundation supports the school's development and global influence through its **five key priorities: Social Scholarships, the Endowment Fund, Academic Excellence, the Next-generation Campus and Responsible Entrepreneurship.**



3,000 social scholarships supported since 2011



€5,7M in the Endowment Fund



112 awards dedicated to Academic Excellence since 2011



€10M to fund the Next-generation Campus



23 students beneficiaries of a responsible entrepreneurship scholarship since 2023

2025 Key Figures



€2,885,200 in donations raised in 2025 (+ 23% vs 2024)

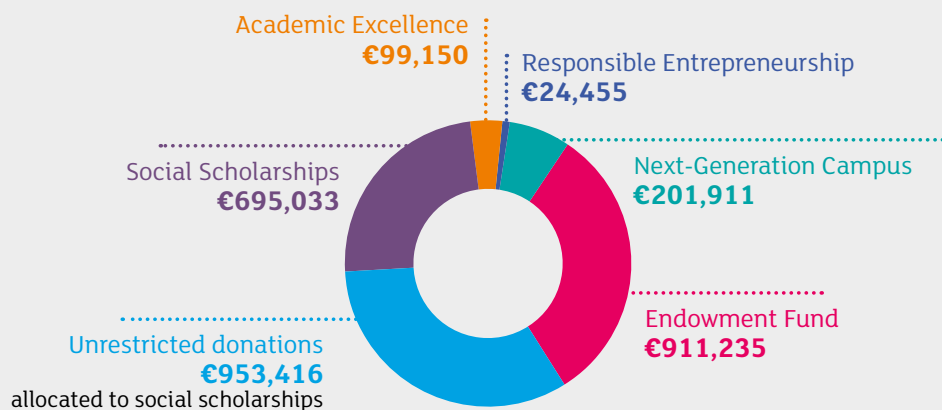


€810,867 in donations raised internationally in 2025 (30% of the donations)

Most generous promotions

By amount collected	By number of donors
1990	1997
1986	1982
1982	1984
1993	1986
1997	1987

2025 Donations allocation



2025 HIGHLIGHTS

January

Breakfast Reception around the Endowment Fund at Gide Loyrette Nouel

Cocktail reception in London, at The Savoy Hotel, with the intervention of Samer Malki, then French Consul General in London, on geopolitics

June

Evening of philanthropy and Auction: Raising funds for Social Scholarships at Hôtel Cheval Blanc

November

Donors' Evening at Sofitel St James London, featuring Julien Malaurent (PhD'12) on the Future of Artificial Intelligence

April

ESSEC Foundation Ceremony at the Catholic Institute of Paris

Exclusive interview with Bruno Patino (E90) and Serge Hayat (E86) in the Salons France Amériques, on the topic of **"Being a media outlet in the age of AI"**

May

Fourth edition of the ESSEC USA Gala Benefit at the Crosby Street Hotel in New-York. Hervé Hoppenot (E83) received on this occasion the 2025 ESSEC USA Visionary Award

December

Major Donors Dinner at the Shangri-La Paris

Conference "Can we rate geopolitical risks" at Jones Day Paris with Yann Le Pallec (E90) and Professor Aurélien Colson



The ESSEC Foundation thanks the members of its ambassadors' committees who contribute to the development and influence of the Foundation.

In France: Vivien Buttiaux (E06), Thomas Grob (E97), Denis Leroy (E86), Juliette Martin (E15), Loïc Moisan (E06), Agnès Nicolas Ifker (E93), Emmanuel Roth (E91), Isabelle Xoual (E87).

In the United States: Alain Barbet (E80), Anne de Broca Hoppenot (E82), Jean-François Gueguen (E90), David Markson (E10), François Pages (E79), Thomas Tuchscherer (E97), Emmanuele Vinciguerra (E89).

In the United Kingdom: Chloé Lavedrine (E04), Alexandre Margoline (E05), Xavier Mayer (E96).

In the United Arab Emirates: Jérôme Mourgue d'Algue (E93), Olivia and Benoit Verbrugge (M09 & M99).



The 2025 captain Chomel de Jarnieu Prize was awarded to the association **Le Bureau des Arts ESSEC** for its "Youth Guide" project, a cultural guide for middle school students in the Val d'Oise region, strengthening their access to art and creating a lasting bond with schools in Cergy-Pontoise. Awarded for the past six years, this prize was created in memory of Romain Chomel de Jarnieu (E08), who died for France in Mali.



“The ESSEC Foundation’s social scholarship acted as true catalyst. By removing financial barriers and the anxiety associated with debt, it allowed me to fully dedicate myself to my studies. **More than just support, this scholarship was a powerful vote of confidence,** recognizing my journey and my commitments, embodying the Foundation’s tangible commitment to **equal opportunity.**”

Larissa Patrick Nithyanandan,
Social scholarship recipient

SOCIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

A SPRINGBOARD FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

At ESSEC, we firmly believe that no financial constraint should hinder a student's talent and ambitions. Social scholarships are therefore a **fundamental tool for ensuring access to the school for all**. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the ESSEC Foundation has already supported **over 3,000 students since 2011**.

A New Milestone in Social Inclusion

From the start of the 2026 academic year, **all CROUS scholarship students in the least privileged tiers (from 4 to 7) will be exempt from their tuition fees for the Grande École program**: a major step forward that allows them to choose ESSEC with more peace of mind.

New programs are now eligible for social scholarships, such as the ESSEC-CentraleSupélec program in **Artificial Intelligence, Data and Management Sciences (AIDAMS)**, designed to offer a hybrid approach between management, data analysis and artificial intelligence courses.

Our goal is to double the budget allocated to student support, in order to reach 27% of scholarship recipients by 2028.



DID YOU KNOW?

With **25% of students receiving scholarships** in the Grande École program, **ESSEC is the only Parisian business school to offer such a comprehensive approach**, combining exemptions, apprenticeships, solidarity funding and personalized support (preparation programs for CAP ESSEC entrance exams, mentoring, sponsorship and management of a network of scholarship students).



“Attending ESSEC means growing not only as a student but also as an individual, guided by the School's values of excellence. **As alumni, we are committed to offering this opportunity to those who deserve it**, regardless of their background, by supporting social scholarships. **The talent, determination, and success of the students who benefit from these scholarships each year reinforce our belief in the importance of this commitment and its direct impact on their futures.**”

Emma Berger and Sylvain Berger-Duquene (E94 & E93)

2025 KEY FIGURES



447 scholarship recipients supported in 2025



€1,6M allocated by the ESSEC Foundation to social scholarships



€5,000 average amount of a scholarship



€20,000 maximum amount of a scholarship for CROUS tiers 4 to 7

THE ENDOWMENT FUND

A CONTINUED INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE OF THE SCHOOL

KEY FIGURES



€5,7M

(+ 54% in two years)

Value of the Endowment Fund



€430,452

interest generated by the Fund,
half of which is allocated
to the social scholarships



“For me, contributing to the Endowment Fund means helping the School to **confidently shape its future**, strengthen its reputation for excellence, and continue to attract and nurture talent from all over the world. It is also a very tangible way **to build a lasting legacy — for today’s students and tomorrow’s**, regardless of economic or political contexts.”

Thomas Tuchscherer (E97)

Our goal: to reach 30 million euros

The Endowment Fund is designed to **build the ESSEC Foundation’s equity, ensuring the School’s** financial independence and long-term stability while amplifying its impact over time.

By directing your donation to the Endowment Fund, your contribution is invested in a managed fund. Only the generated returns are used to fund the Foundation’s projects, while the principal remains preserved in perpetuity.

How is the fund managed?

Administered under the auspices of the Fondation de France, the Fund is overseen by an **investment committee** chaired by **Denis Leroy (E86)**, with **Jean Arvis (E74)** and **Emmanuel Roth (E91)**. This committee is responsible for defining the investment policy of the Endowment Fund, its strategic directions, and ensuring proper capital management.

What is the impact of your donation to the Endowment Fund?

- » You help secure ESSEC’s long-term financial **autonomy and independence**.
- » You **encourage access to excellent education for all students** by awarding permanent scholarships.
- » You **enhance ESSEC’s global appeal**, distinguished by its high-quality teaching and cutting-edge research.



NEXT-GENERATION CAMPUS

A SUSTAINABLE MODEL, DEDICATED TO EXCELLENCE

Inauguration of the Next-generation Campus

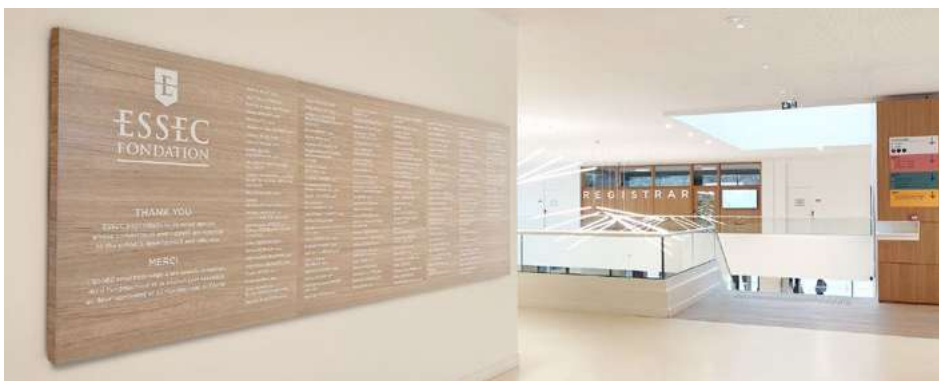
In September 2025, a new chapter began with the inauguration of the Campus, marking the end of five years of transformation. Three new buildings were completed: **the Research Green Tower, the Pierre Nanterme Center for Responsible Leadership, and the Sports & Recreation Center**, spaces that students, faculty, and staff have fully embraced as their own.

This exceptional project illustrates four key concepts for the School: **pedagogical innovation, sustainability, local roots** and **international appeal**.



Anchoring one's commitment at the heart of the campus

The new Cergy campus is a place of learning, innovation, and community life, made possible thanks to the mobilisation of hundreds of donors whom we warmly thank, as well as Accenture for their exceptional support. Some of these donors chose to leave their mark on the **Wall of Major Donors**, symbolizing the enduring solidarity between generations of ESSEC alumni.



If you would like to explore the campus, leave your mark by naming a new room, or have your name inscribed on the Wall of Major Donors, please contact Inès Manset : ines.manset@essec.edu.

KEY FIGURES



€10M

allocated by the
ESSEC Foundation



“The Next-generation Campus ensures the attractiveness and competitiveness of our school. Funding the ‘Pitch Room’ within the Pierre Nanterme Center was **an opportunity for us to provide students** with a space where they can **dare to innovate, grow**, and progress in a professional and **entrepreneurial environment that fosters meaningful interactions.**”

Olivia and Benoît Verbrugge (M09 & M99)

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

FOR HIGH-IMPACT RESEARCH



112

awards and
scholarships granted
by the Foundation
since 2011



“The case study awarded by the ESSEC Foundation Prize mobilized students on a cutting-edge topic in artificial intelligence research. The prize thus rewards pedagogical excellence and innovation in teaching. This personally encourages me to continue investing in innovative educational resources, both for the current generation of leaders and the next.”

Harris Kyriakou,
Associate Professor,
Department of
Information Systems,
Data Analytics and
Operations

Each year the Foundation awards prizes to support outstanding research and innovative teaching methods by exceptional members of the ESSEC Faculty.

Discover the winners of the Foundation’s 10 prizes in 2026

» Teaching Excellence Award

“Tenured Professors” category: **Laurent Bibard (E85)**

“Lecturers” category: **Youssef Yakoubi**

“Special Jury Prize” category: **Ayse Onculer**

» “Daniel Tixier” Pedagogical Experience Prize

Sam Garg for his innovative teaching tool: “*Virtual Reality (VR)-based teaching*”.

» Research Prize

David Sluss and Karoline Strauss for “*Complementarity in Future Selves*”.

“Special Jury Prize” category: **Anne-Claire Pache (E94)** for “*An Integrative Model of Hybrid Governance: The Role of Boards in Helping Sustain Organizational Hybridity*”.

» Science & Society Grant

Marie-Léandre Gomez (E93) for her project “*Preparing for crises and increasing resiliency for society, organizations, and people*”.

» Case study Prize

Harris Kyriakou for his case study “*ChatGPT vs Google and the Future of Search*”.

» PhD Thesis Prize

Roman Pavlyuchenko for his thesis “*Three Essays on Materiality*”.

» Young Researcher Grant

Charles Ayoubi (E13), Paul Gouvard (E15) and Alentina Vardanyan for their research project “*Made in AI? How Generative AI Creates Oversuspicion over AI-Generated Content*”.



RESPONSIBLE ENTREPRENEURSHIP

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS

A scholarship program to encourage students entrepreneurship

Created in partnership with the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Institute, this scholarship program funds the living expenses of student entrepreneurs enabling them to bring their projects to life. Beyond financial support, recipients benefit from mentoring and coaching through the ESSEC Ventures incubator.

Discover the 6 winners in 3 categories

KEY FIGURES



23
students supported
since 2023



€5,000
scholarship amount



AMBITION
ENTREPRENEUR

AMBITION CATEGORY

For an entrepreneur who benefits from a social scholarship:

- » **Kiyan Zanitch-Khah**, for his product Krancos, an AI pre-diagnostic tool for skin cancers, intended for city pharmacies, that uses an autonomous dermatological booth.
- » **Nolan Cuenca**, for his application Hometrack, which identifies underutilised housing that can be mobilized to provide sustainable housing for households in precarious situations.



SUSTAINABILITY

SUSTAINABILITY CATEGORY

For a project with a positive environmental or societal impact:

- » **Clémence Guyoux**, for CAP'siRNA, a solution enabling farmers to protect plant crops against viral diseases.
- » **Nicolas Beauvalet and Zoé Prouvost**, co-founders of Maison Sylvette, providing nutritional solutions to people with illnesses in order to eat properly.



Ô FÉMININ

Ô FÉMININ CATEGORY

To encourage young women to launch their company:

- » **Marianne Chapados**, for her startup Boxfem, which simplifies student storage in Île-de-France by offering the management of reusable boxes.
- » **Priscille Graff**, for her project La Lunchbox by BLONDS, which aims to recreate connections by allowing people to meet around a sustainable and friendly meal.



“Receiving this scholarship is a valuable recognition from the ESSEC ecosystem, whose values of innovation and responsibility guide my approach. I am committed to leveraging my entrepreneurial path to advance preventive, accessible, and human-centered medicine. With Krancos, we are innovating by using AI to transform dermatological screening and monitoring.”

Kiyan Zanitch-Khah, recipient of the 2026 Ambition scholarship



WHY SUPPORT THE FOUNDATION?

There are many reasons to support the ESSEC Foundation.
Four of our donors share what motivated their commitment.



Olivier Assant (E92)



For equal opportunities

“A few years ago, I decided to get involved with the Foundation because ESSEC has been **a cornerstone in my life, both personally and professionally**. It is essential to me that this pathway to excellence endures and continues to provide equal opportunities to those who deserve it through their hard work and intelligence.”



Gaëlle d'Engremont (E97)



To invest in the school's excellence and reputation

“I support the ESSEC Foundation to contribute to the School's growth—through **financial backing for scholarship programs and campus modernization**. This ensures we continue to attract top students and faculty while enhancing daily learning and research.”



Jérôme Mourgue d'Algue (E93)



To support the generations that follow us

“Of course I want to reconnect with the institution. Giving to the ESSEC Foundation is my way of keeping that bond alive—and ensuring others can experience the same unique journey. I hope **to show solidarity with young students and express my support for ESSEC's next generation**.”



Laurence de Rosamel (M06)



To invest in the future of ESSEC

“I support the ESSEC Foundation through its Endowment Fund because I deeply believe in **equal opportunities and the long-term impact of investment**. Contributing to a sustainable fund ensures that ESSEC can continue nurturing talent—not just today, but for generations to come. For me, supporting the Foundation is a natural way **to give back to the school that has given me so much**.”

HOW TO SUPPORT THE FOUNDATION?

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On dons.fondationdefrance.org/ESSEC

or by scanning this QR code.

- » by credit card
- » by instant bank transfer
- » by automatic monthly direct debit

By Check

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You can request our detailed brochure on bequest and planned giving by contacting Inès Manset at ines.manset@essec.edu



Tax deductions for residents in France

66%

of your donation is deductible from your income tax, up to 20% of your taxable income, with the possibility of carrying forward the excess for 5 years.

75%

of your donation is deductible from the real estate wealth tax, with a cap of €50,000 in deductions.

60%

of your company's donation is deductible from corporate tax, up to 0.5% of tax-exclusive turnover or €20,000.

RECOGNITION PLAN

In recognition of your support, **you will benefit from a donor appreciation program** that offers advantages tailored to your giving level. Categories reflect each donor's cumulative contributions, including pledged gifts.

Champagne from €10

- Mention of your name in the Impact report for the year of your donation.*
- ESSEC Foundation digital newsletter.

Bronze from €3,000

- Opportunity to share your giving story on our communication channels.

Copper from 6 000 €

- Invitation to the ESSEC Foundation's annual awards and scholarships ceremony.

Silver from €15,000

- Your name mentioned on the Foundation's digital wall in the Grand Hall of ESSEC.
- Invitation to the annual Major Donors dinner.

Vermeil from €50,000

- Presentation of a personalized ESSEC trophy for each change in giving category.
- Your name displayed on the new Wall of Major Donors in the Grand Hall of ESSEC.

Gold from 100 000 €

- Naming opportunity for a 100 m² space in recognition of your donation.**

Grand Gold from €200,000

- Naming opportunity for a 200 m² space in recognition of your donation.**

Ruby from €500,000

- Naming opportunity for a 500 m² space in recognition of your donation.**

Diamond from €1,000,000

- Naming opportunity for a 1,000 m² space in recognition of your donation.**

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“Dear donors,
In 2025, your support to the ESSEC Foundation enabled us to bring ambitious projects to life, open new opportunities for students, and provide ESSEC with the resources necessary to achieve its boldest ambitions. Thank you for helping shape ESSEC into a school where academic excellence and humanism prepare the responsible leaders of tomorrow.”

Lucie-Anne Henry, Executive director of the ESSEC Foundation



THANK YOU



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