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ISAE Group continues to grow as it turns 10: Supméca becomes ISAE-Supméca after being granted full member status

ISAE Group was created in 2011 with the purpose of uniting France's "grandes écoles" higher-education institutes of aerospace engineering into a single network. Now 10 years after its creation ISAE Group has taken another foundational step in its development by granting Supméca full member status. Supméca, which became a partner and then an associate school in 2018 and 2019 respectively, has adopted a new name as a result of this status change. It is now called ISAE-Supméca.

SUPMECA GRANTED FULL MEMBER STATUS

Expansion is the main focus of ISAE Group's tenth year of existence. ISAE Group, which was created in 2011, has entered a new stage of its development by including Supméca as one of its full member schools. This engineering school located in Saint-Ouen, Seine-Saint-Denis (Paris conurbation) joined the group in 2018 as a partner school. It later became an associate school in 2019. This decision was taken by ISAE Group's board of directors on 24 March 2021.

According to ISAE Group Chairman and ISAE-SUPAERO Managing Director Olivier Lesbre: *"Supméca have been playing an active role in all of the group's activities since 2018. They have brought their experience and skills which have proven highly useful for certain projects such as the development of our new, training through apprenticeship curriculum. Besides, the percentage of Supméca graduates who choose to pursue a career in aeronautics has become predominant in the last ten years".*

There are three levels of integration and involvement in the ISAE Group network: partner, associate and full member. For each level certain requirements must be met in the areas of training, research and social inclusiveness. Having an international outlook and being anchored in the aerospace sector are also part of the eligibility criteria. Schools that desire to become full members of the network, which entails a high degree of involvement, adopt the ISAE brand name.

ISAE Group: three levels of network integration

Schools with full member status: *ISAE-SUPAERO, ISAE-ENSMA, ISAE-Supméca*

Associate schools: *École de l'air, ESTACA*

Partner schools: *ESTIA, EIGSI, ELISA Aerospace*

SUPMÉCA BECOMES ISAE-SUPMÉCA

Being granted full member status entails a change in brand name for Supméca. Therefore, Supméca will become ISAE-Supméca as of today, 24 March 2021. The school's logo has been modified to reflect its new status within ISAE Group.

According to ISAE-Supméca Managing Director Philippe Girard: *"We have successfully evolved over the decades to become a flagship school of mechanical and digital engineering. Being included among the other full members of the ISAE Group network is recognition of our school's high-quality training, research activities and multiple partnerships. Being recognised as a full member of the network helps consolidate our position on a national level and it establishes ISAE-Supméca as ISAE Group's leading school in the Ile-de-France region, which is still France's top-rated region for aerospace attractiveness. Besides, this also represents a new foundational step in the development of our school. Our ambition is to train mechanical engineers who are capable of meeting technological challenges combined with the issues posed by climate change and reindustrialisation. These challenges are tremendous in the aeronautics, railway, automotive and energy sectors. Mechanics, mechanical engineering, materials and the understanding of complex systems all have a role to play here as technological levers that promote progress. It is during difficult times that more investments should be made in the areas of training, research and innovation".*

According to Olivier Lesbre: *"This brand evolution is the sign of ISAE-Supméca's rapid and successful integration. Within ten years ISAE Group has gained recognition for supporting the sharing of good practices and the development of joint projects. ISAE Group has also become the natural point of contact for industrial and academic stakeholders in the aerospace sector, such as the GIFAS French Aerospace Industries Association. With its affiliate schools located in the leading regions of France in terms of aerospace activity ISAE Group trains engineers and PhD holders with complementary profiles who meet most of the needs aerospace stakeholders have, and who are also very much sought-after in all areas that require an expert knowledge of high-technology critical systems".*

>>> [ISAE-Supméca's new visual identity](#) <<<

>>> [ISAE-Supméca's new logo in high resolution](#) <<<

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About ISAE-Supméca

ISAE-Supméca (Higher Institute of Mechanical Engineering of Paris) is a public engineering school located in Saint-Ouen, Seine-Saint-Denis (Paris conurbation). Since its foundation in 1948 conducting scientific research has been a key mission for the school, in addition to training engineers for the industrial sector. Mechanics, mechanical engineering, mechatronics and the digital tools used in complex product development account for the school's areas of expertise. The aeronautics, railway, automotive, space, transportation, energy, luxury and healthcare industries are among the school's target sectors.

At ISAE-Supméca engineering students are offered a training pathway that is personalised and based on a teaching approach that focuses on industrial projects and case studies. The school stands out thanks to its strong international outlook and state-of-the-art digital work environment. All research activities are conducted in the Quartz laboratory.

ISAE-Supméca students can pursue two different engineering degrees:

- ISAE-Supméca engineer, student status,
- ISAE-Supméca engineer specialised in industrial engineering, apprentice status.

In January 2018, under its former brand name Supméca, the school joined ISAE Group, the purpose of which is to unite France's higher education institutes of aerospace engineering into a single network. In March 2021 the school adopted the ISAE acronym into its brand name.

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About ISAE Group

The purpose of ISAE Group is to unite France's higher education institutes of aerospace engineering into a single network. Its aim is to meet the needs of the aerospace sector by offering a wide range of dedicated training programs (engineering, Master's and doctoral degrees), as well as to establish a quality label for said training programs and to develop joint projects with its network members. Thanks to its five engineering schools, thirty-plus training programs and more than 1,600 graduates per year ISAE Group can provide industrial stakeholders in the aerospace sector with a broad spectrum of graduate profiles with high scientific and technical qualifications that is unique in Europe. The engineering schools of the ISAE Group network are located in all of the leading regions of France in terms of aerospace activity: ISAE-SUPAERO in Toulouse (Occitanie region), ISAE-ENSMA in Poitiers (Nouvelle-Aquitaine), ISAE-Supméca in Saint-Ouen (Ile-de-France), ESTACA in both Saint-Quentin-en Yvelines and Laval (Ile-de-France and Pays de la Loire regions respectively) and École de l'Air in Salon-de-Provence (Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur). In 2020 the following engineering schools joined ISAE Group as partners: ESTIA (located in Bidart, Nouvelle-Aquitaine region), EIGSI (La Rochelle, Nouvelle-Aquitaine) and Elisa Aerospace (located in both Saint-Quentin and Saint-Jean d'Illac in the Hauts-de-France and Nouvelle-Aquitaine regions respectively). In March 2021 Supméca became a full member of the network and adopted the ISAE-Supméca brand name.

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