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Academic achievement, innovation and societal impact: awards for six ESSCA alumni

On Saturday 15 March, ESSCA School of Management brought together over 2000 alumni and their families to celebrate their achievements at a graduation ceremony under the banner of excellence and commitment. The class of 2024 embodies the wealth of talent and ambition that drives the school: outstanding academic backgrounds, international immersion, involvement in association life, the spirit of enterprise, and societal responsibility. Six alumni received awards for the inspiring paths they have taken, encapsulating the values of innovation, daring and responsibility that ESSCA upholds. The prizes were handed out by emblematic alumni from the school, including Dominique Schelcher, Chair of Coopérative U and patron of the class of 2024.



(L-r): Flavie Charpentier, Louise Le Bouhart, Diane Geffray, Pablo Grasso, Ophélie Sourice and Audrey Duflos.

Flavie Charpentier – Double Degree academic excellence

Recipient of the **Prix Parcours Remarquable**, Flavie Charpentier took the ESSCA School of Management-CentraleSupélec Specialised Masters in Technology & Management double degree. Valedictorian of the class year, she has explored the challenges of sustainability and innovation faced by family businesses within the Centaurus group. She received her prize from Dominique Schelcher, Chair of Coopérative U and an ESSCA graduate from the class of 1993.

Louise Le Bouhart – A commitment to serving others

Recipient of the **Prix Meilleur Engagement Étudiant**, Louise Le Bouhart dedicated all five years spent at ESSCA to association life. Responsible for having created the Student Welcome Guide, she has been a pillar of several associations, notably Enactus, Mercure and Sk'Pade. In addition, she is a Social and Solidarity Economics double degree graduate from UCO, in Angers. She received her award from Sandrine Monnier, Human Resources Director for SCANIA France.



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Diane Geffray – From Shanghai to Paris, a career at the peak of the luxury industry

Recipient of the **Prix Meilleure Immersion Internationale**, Diane Geffray has taken an impressive international path, including an academic exchange spent in Ireland, an MBA in Strategic Organisation in Brazil, internships in Bali and Dubai, and then an MSc in EU-Asia Luxury Marketing taken across Shanghai and Paris. She currently works as a Global Celebrity Relations Coordinator at Cartier International. She received her award from Gilles ANTOINE, Strategic Programs Director at L'OREAL, and an ESSCA graduate from the class of 1989.

Pablo Grasso – Revolutionising e-commerce with a pioneering start-up

Winner of the **Prix Meilleur Parcours Entrepreneurial**, Pablo Grasso developed **Turnee**, an innovative start-up that optimises e-commerce returns processing and is hosted by the Euratechnologies incubator. He has received several awards (Enactus, La Retail Tech, Fondation des Possibles) and is currently preparing to roll out his business solutions to a number of major e-commerce representatives. In addition, he is also the co-founder of Nexus Gate, a gaming and tech-based reintegration association. He received his award from Sébastien Carton, Deputy Regional Director of RYDGE Conseil.

Ophélie Sourice and Audrey Duflos – CSR as a driver of impact and the future

Joint recipients of the **Prix Meilleur Parcours Développement Durable/RSE**, Ophélie Sourice and Audrey Duflos have been flagbearers of societally responsible values. In their role in charge of the Enactus association, they organised a full week dedicated to CSR challenges and represented ESSCA at the Enactus national competition. Ophélie has pursued her commitment in a commercial role at Bonduelle, whilst Audrey is now Head of CSR at Yamzho. They received their awards from Cécile Pasdeloup, HR Development Director for the French Post and an ESSCA graduate of the class of 1997.

About ESSCA

Based on its rich 115-year history, ESSCA School of Management is a renowned and firmly established French and European institution. A pioneering school in terms of teaching innovation and social and economic inclusion, it has striven to evolve on a permanent basis to incorporate the demands and challenges of the modern world with a will to train responsible leaders and assist organisations undergoing change.

A private higher education institution of common interest built upon a not-for-profit associative structure and a member of the Conférence des Grandes Ecoles, ESSCA School of Management delivers an officially recognised 5-year post-secondary Master degree and also offers a fully accredited Bachelor in International Management degree programme, an MBA Business & Technology and Master of Science programmes. The school also offers a range of training programmes designed specifically for senior executives, managers, and operational teams, with degree-awarding training (including an Executive Master in Global Management) and custom programmes. ESSCA is also developing on-line designed by ESSCA online campus.

Thanks to its AACSB, AMBA and EQUIS triple crown accreditation, a status held by only 1% of business schools around the world, the School is an internationally renowned institution. It features in the top 100 Masters in Management programmes in the world in the 2023 Financial Times ranking.

Strengthened by a multicampus identity that helps consolidate its appeal to local regions and the showcasing of French expertise in the areas of higher education and research, ESSCA can call upon a network of almost 21,500 alumni working all across the world and currently welcomes over 500 faculty and administrative staff and 7,000 students on its campuses in France (Aix-en-Provence, Angers, Bordeaux, Lyon, Paris and Strasbourg), Hungary, China and most recently in Spain and Luxembourg.

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