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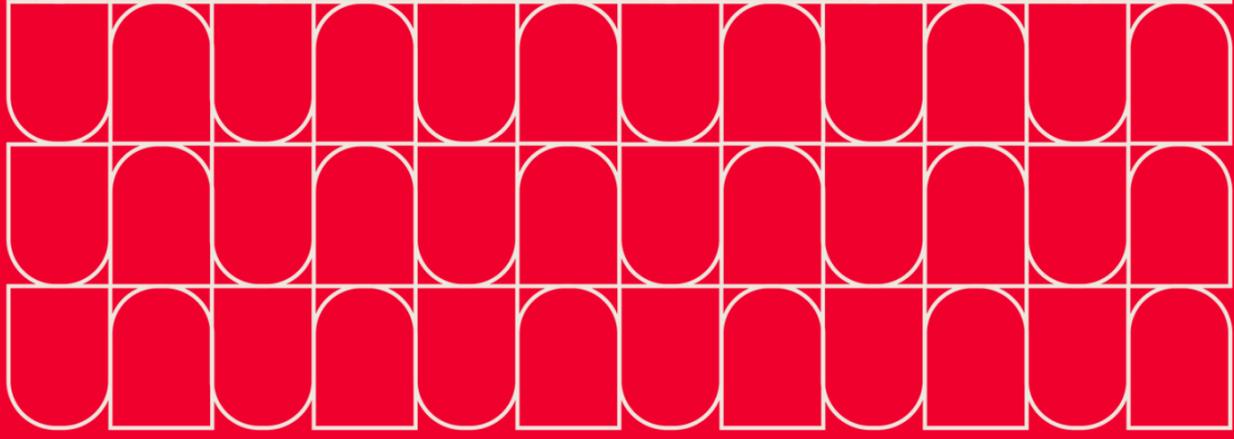


**DIVE INTO THE LATEST TRENDS IN FINANCE
BLOCKCHAIN/CRYPTOCURRENCY - SUSTAINABLE FINANCE**

JUNE 7 - JUNE 27 2026

**2026
SUMMER**





Introduction to ESSCA

ESSCA in a few words

Founded in 1909, ESSCA School of Management prepares its students through a five-year programme to become managers in marketing, finance, and management in an international environment.

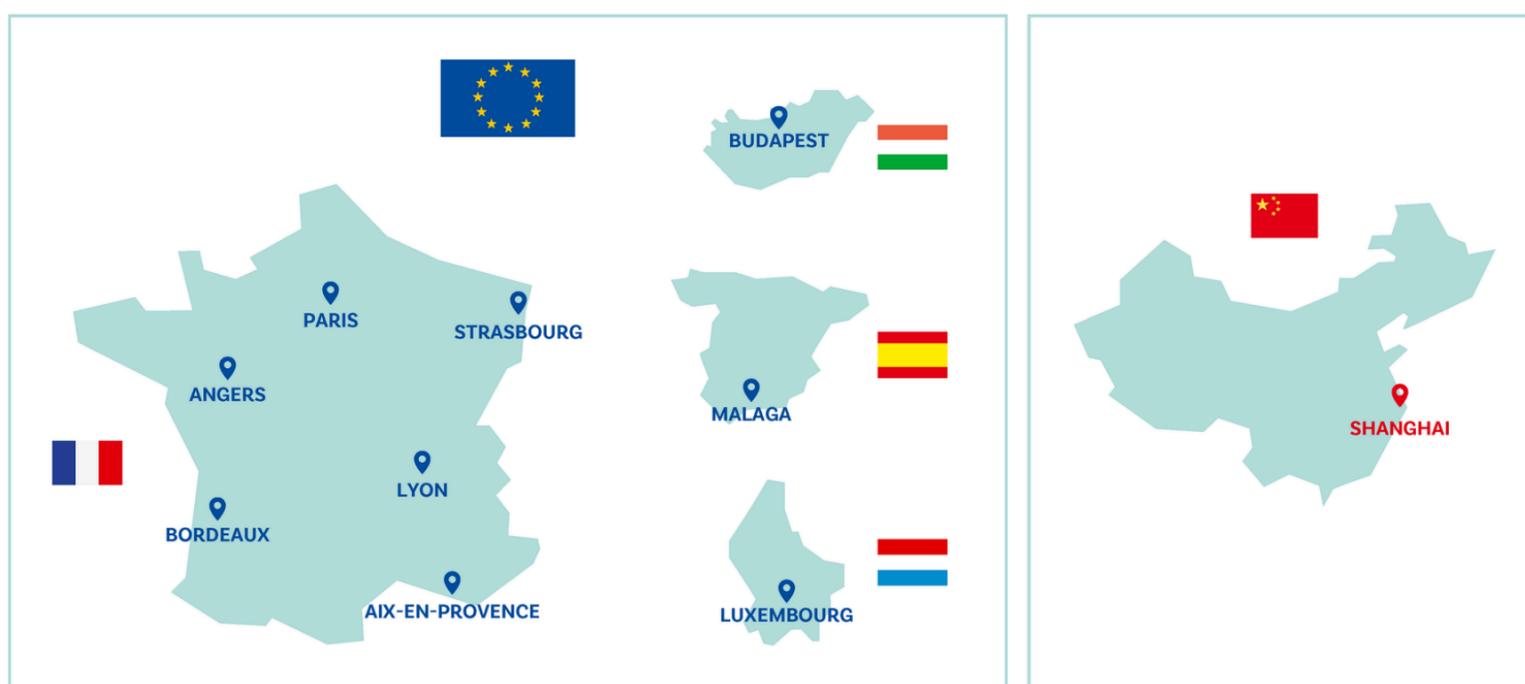
One of the post-secondary business school with international accreditation, ESSCA has been granted five « labels » of excellence: Conférence des Grandes Écoles, the Master's degree, the EPAS certification, the AACSB accreditation and the EQUIS accreditation. In 2025, ESSCA ranked 68th in the Financial Times ranking.

ESSCA offers international programmes on 10 sites: Angers, Paris, Lyon, Bordeaux, Aix-en-Provence, Strasbourg, Malaga, Luxembourg, Budapest and Shanghai, along with a network of 250 partner universities in 54 countries. At present, the school works with some 3,000 companies.



ESSCA: Creating Futures

In the top 1% business schools worldwide



ESSCA key figures

Key Figures – 2025/2026



7 800

Students in undergraduate and lifelong learning programmes



3 000

Corporate partners



+ de 500

Staff and faculty



190

faculty



22 800

alumni



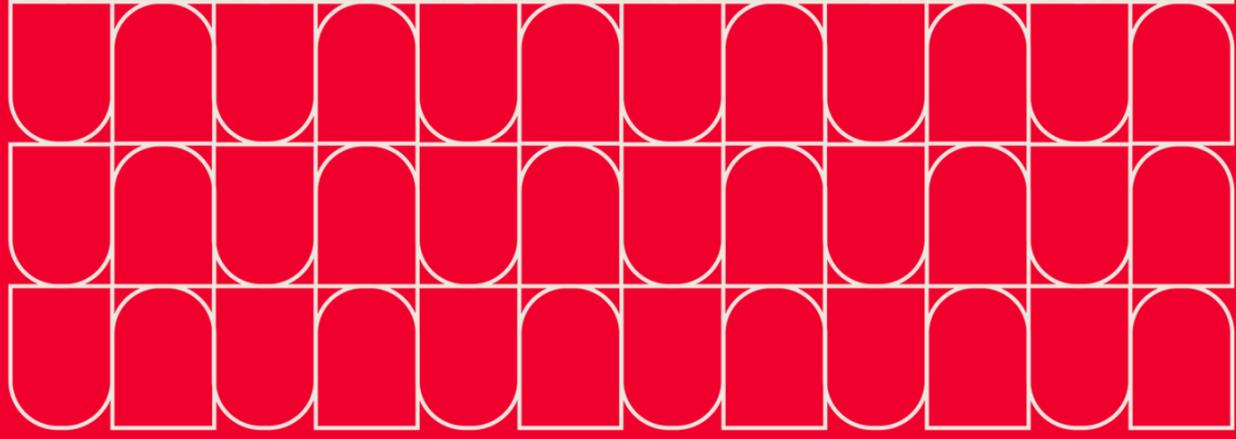
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10

campuses



Presentation of the Programme

The Programme

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- ▶ Intensive 3-week programme
- ▶ Entirely taught in English
- ▶ Open to undergraduate and postgraduate students
- ▶ Offers a multicultural learning environment which develops cross-cultural skills
- ▶ Provides a knowledge into the essential aspects of Sustainable Finance & Decentralized Finance (Blockchain & Cryptocurrency)
- ▶ Includes an Exclusive Entry Pass for International Tech Fair "Nexus 2050", the largest IT event in Luxembourg.
- ▶ Includes field trips to outstanding cultural sites and corporate visits (TBD - Deutsche Bank, EY, Luxembourg Stock Exchange, etc..)
- ▶ 12 ECTS (6 per course) - 6 US credits
- ▶ 60h of courses, including corporate visits
- ▶ Includes 2 sessions held at the Luxembourg Green Exchange, the world's first and leading platform dedicated exclusively to sustainable finance

Teachings

DeFi : Blockchain and Cryptocurrency : shaping the future of Finance

In this course taught by **Mr. Laurent Marochini*** (CEO Standard Chartered Luxembourg), students will uncover the transformative potential of blockchain and decentralized finance (DeFi). They will delve into the principles of blockchain, its applications in finance and fintech, and explore how it can shape and redefine traditional finance.

** Personality of the Year
Deloitte 2024 Digital Assets
Conference*

** This award recognizes an individual who has made a significant impact in the digital assets industry over the past year. The recipient of this award is someone who has shown outstanding leadership, innovation, and influence in the field, driving growth, and fostering a positive environment for digital assets in Luxembourg.*

Sustainable Finance (in cooperation with EFPA – European Financial Planning Certification) and the Luxembourg Green Exchange

Mr. Patrick Levaldaur, General Secretary of the EFPA, will lead the course. It will cover various aspects related to sustainable investing, banking, and financial practices within the context of Luxembourg's finance industry. The Professor will go through the introduction of sustainable finance, the regulatory framework, sustainable investment strategies, the green financial products and services, CSR, and case studies and practical applications. In addition to the course, a certificate of participation will be delivered by both ESSCA & EFPA.



Extra-curriculum



**Topic: Sustainable debt instruments role in the transition to net zero. The Green exchange intervention during the programme will focus on different sustainable debt instruments (green, social, sustainability and sustainability linked bonds) and their contribution to achieving Paris objective and the SDGs. The intervention will cover the role of stock exchanges in the transition particularly the central role of LGX in sustainable finance on local, European and international level.*

- ▶ Exclusive 2-day pass for each participant to the International Tech Fair "Nexus 2050" the largest IT event in Luxembourg. This year, the fair will focus on artificial intelligence, sustainability, cybersecurity, financial technology, as well as talent attraction and development.
- ▶ Masterclass by **Paul CHAHINE**, Sustainable Finance Manager Luxembourg Stock Exchange (LuxSE), Luxembourg Green Exchange (LGX), 2 x 2-hour sessions *
- ▶ Cultural visits: vineyard, castle
- ▶ City tour
- ▶ Welcome & Farewell lunches/dinners



**LUXEMBOURG
GREEN EXCHANGE**
by Luxembourg Stock Exchange

Testimonials



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Investment Management & Financial Trading Student at Sheffield Bu...
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Just wrapped up 3 transformative weeks in Luxembourg – and WOW, what a journey! 🇱🇺🚀

From exploring the future of sustainable finance to diving into AI, blockchain, DeFi, and Web3, this ESSCA Summer School wasn't just a course it was a masterclass in what's next for our industry.

🌟 Here's what made it unforgettable:

- ◆ Sustainable Finance & ESG in Action
 - 💡 Learned about green, social, and sustainability-linked bonds
 - 🌍 Explored GHG emissions (Scope 1, 2, 3) & EU Taxonomy
 - ✅ Saw real-world ESG integration at [DWS Group](#), [LGX](#) & [LuxFLAG](#)
- ◆ Digital Finance & Disruption
 - 🔗 Hands-on with blockchain, DeFi, fund tokenization
 - 🤖 Eye-opening sessions on AI (including Generative & Agentic AI)
 - 👤 Met experts from [Coinbase](#) and [21shares](#) on crypto & regulation
- ◆ Corporate Visits That Inspired
 - 🏢 [Banque de Luxembourg](#), [Deloitte](#), [POST Luxembourg](#) & [NEXT](#), [EY](#), [Deutsche Bank](#)
 - 📈 A highlight: EY's live consulting simulation real problems, real strategy!
- ◆ Learning from the Best
 - 🗣️ Insightful talks from leaders like [Roger H. Hartmann](#), [ESG Advisor](#) on digitalisation, sustainability, and why the next financial crisis is inevitable (and how to prepare)
- ◆ Networking & Growth
 - 👥 Built connections with passionate peers, top [ESSCA](#) tutors likes of [Laurent Marochini](#), [Emilie Allaert](#) and [Patrick Levaldour](#), alumni & industry mentors such as [Timothee Au Duong](#), [CFA](#).

🌟 Big thanks to [ESSCA](#) and all the incredible speakers and mentors who made this possible your insights were game-changing.

This experience has deepened my passion for finance that's forward-thinking, tech-savvy, and sustainability-driven. 📁🌱💻

👉 I'm now more excited than ever to explore opportunities where I can apply these skills to make an impact.

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Testimonials



Benjamin Burley ✓ • 1st
Financial Trading & Investment Management BSc (Hons) | Financial ...
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🎉 Completed the Cryptocurrency, Blockchain and Sustainable Finance programme at ESSCA, giving me the chance to build on my prior knowledge and deepen my understanding of how technology and sustainability are reshaping the finance industry.

👛 Crypto and blockchain:

In-depth exploration of concepts such as token economics, consensus mechanisms, smart contracts and the different types of blockchain architectures. We studied real-world applications ranging from DeFi to enterprise blockchain/ crypto solutions, examining both the opportunities and the regulatory and technical challenges the industry faces. A major highlight was developing and presenting a go-to-market product implementing DLT, which allowed me to apply theory in a practical context. Attending Nexus 2025 further enriched this experience, giving me the chance to hear directly from industry leaders such as Brian Armstrong from Coinbase and engage with discussions about the future of crypto and decentralised finance.

I would like to thank Laurent Marochini and Emilie Allaert for the excellent classes and for sharing their knowledge and experiences with us, for that I am very grateful.

♻️ Sustainable Finance and ESG:

We visited pioneering organisations like the Luxembourg Green Exchange, learning about the various instruments they offer, including green bonds, social bonds, sustainable bonds, blue bonds, gender bonds, and sustainability-linked bonds. We studied sustainable finance in depth, covering ESG, regulations, and key frameworks. We also explored portfolio construction strategies, from thematic investing to negative and positive screening, aligning investments with SDG goals and regulatory frameworks. Assessing portfolios using KPIs to measure both sustainability impact and financial performance provided practical skills I'm eager to apply going forward.

I would like to extend my thanks to Patrick Levaldaur for sharing his vast amounts of knowledge and experiences, making classes all the more valuable.

Throughout the programme, I had the privilege of visiting leading firms such as EY, Deloitte and Deutsche Bank. This brought classroom theory to life, giving firsthand insight into how corporations innovate, implement sustainability and leverage new technologies.

However, a big highlight has been meeting new people, classmates and professionals from diverse backgrounds. Collaborating and building friendships in such an inspiring environment has been invaluable.

A heartfelt thank you to Antoine Rech and Nora Maoudj for organising such an exceptional programme. Their dedication and support went far beyond the classroom, making the experience truly exceptional.

Discovering Luxembourg, one of the world's largest financial hubs, was an eye-opening experience that added rich context to everything we studied.

I'm excited to carry these insights forward into the future.

#ESSCA #Cryptocurrency #Blockchain #DLT #SustainableFinance #ESG



Earn 2 Micro-Credentials + Optional EFPA Certification

Unlock your future in finance!



Join the Luxembourg Summer Programme and gain **two official micro-credentials** awarded by ESSCA School of Management (AACSB, AMBA, EQUIS accredited). Upon successful completion of the programme (minimum average grade of 15/20), you'll receive:

- **Fintech Futures: Strategy, Innovation, and Ecosystems***
- **Skills for Sustainable Finance Leadership***

**Micro-credential titles are indicative at the time of brochure finalization and may be subject to change*

New in 2026: EFPA Certification (Optional Add-On)

Take your learning further with the **EFPA Advisor (European Financial Planning Association) certification**, available at a **preferential rate** for programme participants.

This optional certification boosts your profile in sustainable finance and financial planning, and is **widely recognized across Europe**.

⚠ EFPA certification is not included in the standard programme and requires separate registration. Full details will be provided during the programme.



What is a micro-credential?

A **micro-credential** is an official recognition of targeted learning, validated by an academic institution. Unlike a full degree, it certifies specific, actionable skills that can be immediately showcased on your CV or LinkedIn profile.

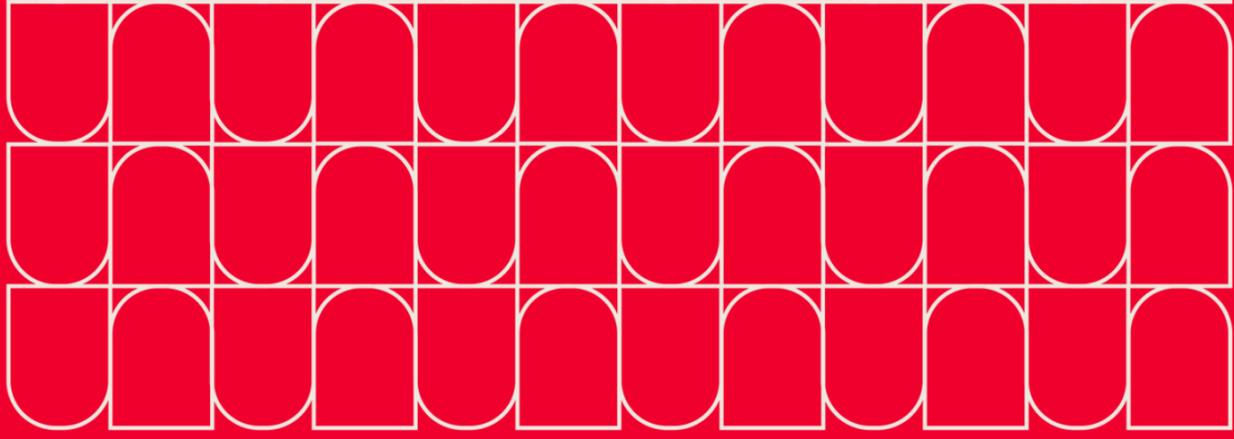
Why is it valuable for you?

- **Increased visibility** to recruiters and employers
- **Proof of concrete skills** in innovative fields
- **Alignment with current global challenges:** sustainable finance, blockchain, innovation

The micro-credentials earned in this programme **can be added to your LinkedIn profile under the “Licenses & Certifications” section**, including module details, learning outcomes, and the awarding body (ESSCA School of Management).



Indicative photos



Practical information

Key dates

- ▶ Nomination: 1st of April
- ▶ Application deadline: 15th of April
- ▶ No refund after the 29th of April
- ▶ Accommodation checking-in date: 7th of June
- ▶ Programme starting date: 8th of June
- ▶ Programme ending date: 26th of June
- ▶ Accommodation checking-out date: 27th of June
- ▶ After the application deadline, please check directly with us if there are still places available.

Practical Information

Visa

For participants from non-European countries, **student visa isn't possible** and **a short-stay visa may be mandatory**. Please ask your local study abroad advisor and/or Embassy in Luxemburg. Should a visa be necessary, it will be delivered upon proof of your official letter of acceptance issued by ESSCA following your registration.

International health insurance

Valid international health insurance or travel insurance covering hospital care and repatriation is required to fulfil your registration on the Summer Programme. Please send us a copy with your application and make sure your document is written either in French or English.

Class time and textbooks

Generally, students will have up to six contact hours per day. These contact hours also include those of the field visits which are directly subject-related. Students will not need to use particular textbooks. All material is provided by the lecturers, but a laptop is highly recommended.

The Campus

- ▶ Located in the heart of financial District of Luxembourg City
- ▶ Classrooms, meeting rooms, cafeteria, lounge, garden
- ▶ In a co-working space, offering contacts to start-ups



Accommodation



- ▶ Twin bed- rooms
- ▶ Breakfast included
- ▶ 15 minutes from campus
- ▶ Central location
- ▶ Air conditioning

Fees

Normal fee: EUR 3,600

Exchange discounted fee*: EUR 2,900

Included

- ▶ Courses and course material
- ▶ Scheduled visits and field trips
- ▶ Accommodation in a twin same gender shared room
- ▶ Welcome and Farewell social events
- ▶ A 55€ non-refundable administration fee

Not included

- ▶ Personal expenses
- ▶ Meals except for the above-mentioned group meals
- ▶ Public transportation (free in Luxembourg)
- ▶ EFPA Certification

*To benefit from the exchange rate, you must be nominated by your home university



Entry Requirements



- ▶ Students must have undertaken at least 1 year of undergraduate study at their home institution
- ▶ Students must be able to attend lectures, ask and answer questions, give presentations and write formal assignments in English (roughly equivalent to a score of 80 on the TOEFL® iBT)
- ▶ Space limited, waiting list possible
- ▶ Applications will be processed on a “first come, first served” basis, including nomination



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