

## EDHEC Business School joins the exclusive members of the Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC) in a move that confirms the School's international reputation

May 2012 – This decision by GMAC's Board of Directors testifies to EDHEC's pivotal role in the education world



EDHEC has been invited to become a GMAC member along with four other higher-education institutions (prestigious schools and universities in China, India and the USA). EDHEC becomes the fourth major French business school to enter this exclusive circle geared to promoting management education throughout the world.

For Olivier Oger, Dean of EDHEC Business School, becoming a member of GMAC "is not just an honour, but also the proof that EDHEC has now attained a pivotal position among international business schools. This recognition represents a new

stage in our development, lends weight to our proactive internationalisation strategy and endorses the growing reputation claimed by our programmes outside France."

"We are pleased to welcome these five schools," said David A. Wilson, GMAC president and CEO. "The fact that more than half of this group is from outside the U.S. continues to demonstrate the growth of quality management education around the world."

GMAC is an international not-for-profit organisation comprising universities and management schools. GMAC is the founder and the designer of the GMAT exam used by 2,000 international universities and institutions to assist in selecting students for admission. For key participants in the management education field, GMAC is a forum for sharing experience and ideas and for promoting high-quality management education worldwide. Each year, GMAC also publishes highly-anticipated research reports that analyse changes in the sector worldwide based on representative panels of former pupils, students, schools and recruiters.

GMAC is based in Virginia, USA, and currently has 205 higher-education member institutions in 22 countries, 66 of which are based outside the USA.

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**EDHEC BUSINESS SCHOOL IN 2012** 

6,000 students and 10,000 executive education participants

17 degree programmes: ESPEME post-baccalaureate programme, Master in Management, MScs, 2 MBAs, a PhD in Finance, etc.

23,000 participants in conferences and seminars organised in 28 global financial capitals

24,000 alumni in 116 countries

134 permanent professors (49% of international origin) and 810 adjunct faculty members

13 research and teaching chairs

A €75m budget, 1/3 from corporate funding and 20% invested in research

5 campuses (Lille, Nice, Paris, London and Singapore)

**EQUIS - AACSB - AMBA accreditations** 

EDHEC Business School aims to be recognised for research and training, innovative ideas and tools that have a high impact on businesses. This "EDHEC for Business" strategy is underpinned by excellent academic research, the results of which are systematically disseminated through EDHEC's programmes (MScs, PhD, etc.), to the business world and to society.

More information is available on the EDHEC Business School website: www.edhec.com