



ESPRIT Presentation

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Welcome to ESPRIT!

ESPRIT was initially built to provide quality education for the next generation of engineers. The quality of education has always been our main concern. It is undoubtedly the driving force of our constant improvement. Since 2013, Esprit has been the only Tunisian institution to obtain the European accreditation EUR-ACE. The pedagogical approach adopted in ESPRIT is mainly inspired by the German System of University of Applied Sciences (Fachhochschule) characterized by a school system, with small and medium-sized classes (nominal size of 30 students) and courses more or less geared towards the development of occupational skills.

Breaking down the barriers between

- Science/Industry, Training/RDI, Engineering/Humanities and Social Science, Students/Instructors, Theory/Practice

Facilities

- 2 sites totaling over 40 000 m² of covered area;
- The recent opening of the Innovation Hub building;
- 1 400-bed residence hall, 1 restaurant, 2 cafeterias;
- 1 sports ground, 1 indoor swimming pool, 1 gymnasium;
- A 50,000 m² ongoing extension project due for completion by the end of 2018.

RDI: Research, Development & Innovation

Esprit is also endowed with a Research & Development (R&D) Division, named Esprit-Tech, where various projects are undertaken under several advanced themes such as IoT, Cloud computing, Pervasive computing, Sensors network, etc. In the past academic year alone, 6 new teams were integrated to the RDI department, bringing the number of research teams to 20.

Contests & Challenges

Esprit participates in many local and international challenges. For instance, the Esprit Mobile team often competes for top prizes. The team won the first prize at the Mobile World Congress (WMC 2015) and at the World Summit Award 2015 in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

Going above and beyond

Esprit is deeply rooted in an academic, industrial, and technological environment where it is continuously reinventing itself. Esprit's strategic plan consists in being the leader in higher education in the region and spreading its knowledge and know-how to the sub-Saharan African countries. For instance, one of our most notable achievements is our expertise in the active pedagogy recognized through its active membership in the CDIO consortium since 2014 (second member in Africa, and the only one in the MENA region) as well as obtaining the UNESCO chair on the project and problem-based learning (PBL) in higher education.

Openness to the international academic world

Esprit has built upon an effective strategy for international partnerships. Currently, we have about thirty partnership agreements, mainly in France but also with institutions in North America (Canada, USA), Europe (Finland) and South East Asia (Malaysia). In addition, since April 2017, Esprit has established a new student exchange program with the BBW University of Applied Sciences in Berlin, Germany (www bbw-hochschule.de).

We are beyond honored and very much looking forward to establishing a fruitful and unique partnership between German Universities of Applied Sciences (Fachhochschule) and ESPRIT.

Those partnerships programs, jointly designed and undertaken, should deal with aspects such as educational fields (MINT), training of trainers (teacher exchange program) and RDI (Research, Development & Innovation) and could eventually lead to the development of joint degree programs.