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Éric Labaye, Président of École polytechnique, takes over the EuroTech presidency for 2022-2023.

On June 1st, 2022, Éric Labaye, President of École polytechnique, took over the rotating presidency of the EuroTech Universities Alliance for the period 2022-2023. He succeeds Martin Vetterli, President of École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne. Since 2018, École polytechnique has been part of EuroTech, a European strategic partnership of six leading universities of science and technology.

The EuroTech Universities Alliance brings together École polytechnique (l'X), Eindhoven University of Technology (TU/e), Technical University of Denmark (DTU), École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Technical University of Munich (TUM) and Technion - Israel Institute of Technology. Combining the complementary strengths of its members, the Alliance furthers the acceleration of research in high-tech focus areas and hence contributes to building a strong, sustainable, sovereign and resilient Europe.

The members of the Alliance uphold strong values, which also guide their collaborations. They are joining forces to educate the best global talents who will become innovators and change agents of society, and also, to conduct first-class research to make major contributions to the grand societal challenges.

Since joining EuroTech, École polytechnique has been working to intensify academic relations and research partnerships in order to develop high-impact multilateral projects in the priority areas of the European Commission, such as Artificial Intelligence, Health and Bioengineering, Sustainable Development, Additive Manufacturing, Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

Furthermore, the Alliance offers several tailored programmes for different groups within the member universities, such as the EuroTechPostdoc2 fellowship programme, the European Venture Programme to support start-up founders and a programme inviting researchers to visit one of the member universities to meet their peers. It also initiated the "EuroTeQ Engineering University", a European University, which offers professors and students the opportunity to implement and experiment new teaching and learning formats, with the aim to train European engineers of tomorrow.

As an extension of the projects set up within EuroTech, Éric Labaye's ambition will be to raise awareness among all the Alliance's students of the responsibility they have as actors

committed to a more sustainable development, to intensify the actions carried out by the member universities, and to encourage the creation of collaborative and sustainable value in technology.

"I am very pleased to take over from my counterpart at EPFL, Martin Vetterli, to chair the EuroTech Alliance for 2022-2023. The coming year will be marked by three priorities: impact, sustainability and collaboration. It means raising awareness and increasing visibility of EuroTech and the partner universities to our students, our institutions and society, especially to European decision-makers, but also pursuing a sustainable approach to contribute to the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and intensifying the collaboration between researchers and students of the six EuroTech Universities" stated Eric Labaye.

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ABOUT ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE / École Polytechnique, also known as L'X, is the leading French institution combining top-level research, academics, and innovation at the cutting-edge of science and technology. Its various undergraduate and graduate-level programs – Bachelor of Science, Ingénieur Polytechnicien (Master's level program), Master's, and PhD – are highly selective and promote a culture of excellence with a strong emphasis on science, anchored in humanist traditions. As a widely internationalized university, École Polytechnique offers a variety of international programs and attracts a growing number of foreign students and researchers from around the globe (currently 41% of students and 40% of faculty members). École Polytechnique offers an exceptional education to prepare bright men and women to excel in top-level key positions and lead complex and innovative projects which meet the challenges of 21st century society, all while maintaining a keen sense of their civil and social responsibilities. With its 23 laboratories, 22 of which are joint research units with the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS), the École Polytechnique Research Center explores the frontiers of interdisciplinary knowledge to provide major contributions to science, technology, and society. École Polytechnique is a founding member of Institut Polytechnique de Paris.

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ABOUT EUROTECH UNIVERSITIES ALLIANCE / The EuroTech Universities Alliance is a strategic partnership of leading European universities of science and technology joining forces to build a strong, sustainable, sovereign, and resilient Europe. The partners bring their excellence in research and education, their active engagement in vibrant eco-systems and service to society. Together, they join forces to accelerate their research in high-tech focus areas and advocate for change, through dedicated partners and a strong presence in Brussels. Based on the EuroTech values, the partners aspire to a new level of cooperation by bringing together their inclusive, diverse and sustainable campuses. The EuroTech Universities create a unique environment for international talents to lead a new generation of change agents in research, entrepreneurship, industry and society.

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