



Visit of the Ecoles Centrales Group to China

for the 15th anniversary of the Franco-Chinese “4+4” program

and the 60 years of Beihang University, partner of the Ecole Centrale Beijing

(Châtenay-Malabry, October 22, 2012) – A delegation of the Directors and Directors for International Relations of the Ecoles Centrales Group (Paris, Lyon, Lille, Nantes and Marseille) went to Chengdu, China on October 23, 2012 on an official visit to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the “4+4” Franco-Chinese exchange program with four Chinese partner universities (Tsinghua University, Shanghai Jiaotong University, Xi’an Jiaotong University et SouthWest Jiaotong University). This visit was also the occasion for the signature of the 3rd renewal of the partnership agreements, for a period of 5 years.

Created to train bi-cultural engineers, the “4+4” agreements have already benefited over 500 students. An average of 50 students from Chinese partner universities and 15 students from the Ecoles Centrales are able to profit from this double degree education every year.

During this visit, the French delegation also went to Beijing to commemorate the 60th anniversary of Beihang University, a Chinese partner of the Ecoles Centrales Group through the Ecole Centrale Beijing. On October 26, the School participated in a forum for reflection on university-company relations, co-presided by Hervé Biauxser, Director of the Ecole Centrale Paris and M. Huai Jin Peng, President of Beihang University.

A meeting was also organized for the following day, which brought together the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of over 80 Chinese and international universities, the latter represented by Hervé Biauxser who was the guest speaker.

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