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EDHEC opens its PhD in Finance to Executives

EDHEC Business School and the EDHEC Risk and Asset Management Research Centre have announced that they will open their new three-year doctoral programme to finance executives from September 2009.

The EDHEC PhD in Finance is designed for professionals whose aim is to gain and maintain an in-depth understanding of finance as well as the ability to initiate and carry through research projects that will yield original insights and lead to innovative approaches and offerings.

The programme is entirely delivered in English and offered in two tracks: a “residential track” for high-potential graduate students who will hold research positions at EDHEC Business School, and an “executive track” for high-level practitioners who will continue to pursue full-time jobs. The programme structure, residential requirements and research supervision arrangements have been tailored to allow professionals to complete the EDHEC PhD in Finance over three years.

The programme faculty are world-class specialists in economics, asset management and financial modelling. They bring together senior EDHEC scholars and outstanding affiliate professors from top research institutions such as Chicago GSB, The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, Columbia University, Princeton University, and Duke University.

“Drawing its faculty from the world’s best universities and enjoying the support of the research centre with the most impact on the European financial industry, the EDHEC PhD in Finance creates an extraordinary platform for professional development and industry innovation,” comments the school’s Dean of Research, Professor Noël Amenc.

“Following a stimulating scientific curriculum and working individually with leading specialists on research issues of particular relevance to their organisations, practitioners engaged in the programme’s executive track will learn to leverage their expertise and insights to deliver original contributions at the frontiers of financial knowledge and practices,” explains the programme’s Academic Director, Professor René Garcia.

The next information sessions presenting the EDHEC PhD in Finance and its executive track will be held in Paris (May 13), London (May 21) and New York (July 10). To reserve a place or request further information, please contact Ms. Maud Gauchon at +33 (0)4 93 18 32 67 or maud.gauchon@edhec.edu, or visit the programme’s website: <http://phd.edhec.edu>.

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About EDHEC

EDHEC Business School, founded in 1906 and among the select few institutions to have garnered international recognition through the triple crown of AACSB, Association of MBAs and EQUIS accreditations, offers management education designed to meet the needs of companies. Its large range of international graduate programmes draws students from the world over. With its three campuses in Lille, Nice, and Paris, its 4,700 students, more than 25% of whom are from abroad, and its 111 full-time faculty, EDHEC has been ranked among the top European business schools for several years.

For the last four years, as part of its strategy for international excellence, EDHEC Business School has espoused an innovative research policy that takes into account the needs of companies and the market. Research at EDHEC is organised into four centres built on the expertise of the faculty.

The aim of the EDHEC Risk and Asset Management Research Centre is to produce research that meets the most stringent academic standards and to facilitate corporate use of this research. In partnership with large financial institutions, the research centre brings together 42 researchers and implements six industry-sponsored programmes focusing on asset allocation and risk management in the traditional and alternative investment universes. The research centre maintains a website devoted to asset management research for the business community, www.edhec-risk.com.

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