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**Claire Lenz appointed Director of Development
and Communications of Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques**

Claire Lenz joins the Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques (IHES) as Director of development and communications. She reports to Emmanuel Ullmo, IHES Director, as well as Emmanuel Hermand, General Secretary.

Previously, she held several positions at École Polytechnique. As Deputy Director of communications from 2012 to 2016, she was more particularly in charge of press relations and digital communications, before developing the institution's international communications strategy. From 2016 to 2020, she was the Dean of École Polytechnique's new Bachelor Program, whose first class graduated in July.

With two Master's degrees, one in communications from Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris, the other in literature from Université Sorbonne Nouvelle, she also worked as Communications officer within the Société Générale group from 2006 to 2009. From 2009 to 2012, she lived in Chicago, where she taught at the International French School while working as well as a Marketing strategist for the University of Chicago.

Member of the Board of the Fondation du Lycée du Parc, Claire Lenz participated to several fundraising operations in the field of research and education, in France as well as in the USA.

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IHES is a private research centre dedicated to mathematics, theoretical physics and all related disciplines. The Institute has a restricted number of permanent professors in mathematics and theoretical physics. Each year, it welcomes around 200 visitors from all over the world for research visits.

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Composed of 48,000 students, 8,100 teacher-researchers and 8,500 technical and administrative staff, it offers a complete and varied range of courses from Bachelor to Doctorate level, and is well recognised for its high-quality education delivered by a team of renowned and committed teaching staff.

Located south of Paris, on sites stretching from Paris to Orsay, via Evry and Versailles, Paris-Saclay University benefits from a strategic geographical and socio-economic position that its international visibility helps to reinforce. A leading university, with predominantly fundamental sciences focus, but also recognised for its education in the human (Biology and Medicine) and social sciences, Paris-Saclay University is located in a classified natural environment region, close to Paris, and at the heart of a dynamic economic hub.

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