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Financial Times Awarded Elite Programme of the UEP

International programme the CEMS Master's in International Management was awarded the third position in prestigious ranking of the Financial Times. Similarly to the excellent results of the four previous years, the programme in which the University of Economics, Prague participates was placed among the three best master programmes in management in Europe.

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The CEMS is a strategic alliance of 24 economic schools from 4 continents and 56 international companies. In every country only one university can become a member of the alliance. Among the members are top European universities such as HEC Paris, London School of Economics or Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam. The UEP is the member university in the Czech Republic. Among corporate partners belong the most successful international companies – L'Oréal, Siemens AG, KPMG, Nokia or Procter & Gamble among others.

“The CEMS Master's in International Management is our prestigious programme,” says Hana Machková, the Vice-President for International and Public Relations of the UEP. “Lectures are held exclusively in English; as part of the programme our students have an opportunity to study one semester at top European universities, and gain experience in international companies,” she adds.

In the ranking by the Financial Times the CEMS Master's in International Management programme (CEMS MIM) was awarded particularly regarding these criteria: “Value for money” (first position), internationalisation of education (first position), international mobility of graduates (second position) and international diversity of students (third position).

Students receive diplomas from their mother universities, as well as a common diploma (joint degree) from the CEMS MIM programme. Every year 700 students of 50 nationalities are admitted to the programme. Globally the number of graduates has already outnumbered



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4 500. Every year approximately 40 Czech students start the programme within the UEP. More information on the programme is available on www.cems.org or <http://cemsmim.vse.cz>.

10 best master programmes in management

1. HEC Paris
2. ESCP-EAP European School of Management
3. CEMS
4. LSE
5. Grenoble Graduate School of Management
6. Essec Business School
7. EM Lyon
8. Rotterdam School of Management
9. Edhec Business School
10. Mannheim Business School

Source: Financial Times

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The University of Economics, Prague (UEP/VŠE) is the largest economic university in the Czech Republic. Nowadays, ca 17 000 students study at the 6 faculties here. These are: the Faculty of Finance and Accounting, the Faculty of International Relations, the Faculty of Business Administration, the Faculty of Informatics and Statistics, the Faculty of Economics and Public Administration, and the Faculty of Management in Jindřichův Hradec. Graduates of the UEP occupy important positions in the private, as well as in the public sector. Most of them go to different branches of industry and services, business, marketing, banking, public management, accounting, auditing, tourist trade, and to the field of information technologies. The UEP's honorable title of "doctor oeconomiae honoris causa" has been awarded to many important Czech and international economists, e.g. the Nobel Prize laureates prof. Gary S. Becker, prof. Dr. Douglass North, prof. Milton Friedman or prof. Robert A. Mundell.

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