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VŠE again awarded as the “1st Business School in the Eastern European Zone”

In the EDUNIVERSAL international selection of business schools, the University of Economics, Prague (VŠE) again took first place in the Central and Eastern European region. VŠE also received this award in 2008. Eleven of VŠE’s partner universities belong among the 27 schools receiving awards in 2009; these institutions come from nine different regions.

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Representatives of the schools accepted the awards in Cape Town, South Africa. In addition to receiving the title “1st Business School in the Eastern European Zone” VŠE also received the highest possible evaluation of five palms, which represent the international appreciation of the school.

Among the evaluation criteria are e.g.: the international influence and reputation of the school, quality of educational programs, quality of teachers, awards received by the school, accreditations received by the school on both national and international levels, main classifications results, and participation in international associations and organizations. The schools are evaluated by an International Scientific Committee, and by representatives of 1 000 universities (i.e. deans, vice-presidents or presidents).

VŠE seeks cooperation with high-quality partner universities. All awarded European schools have agreements concluded with VŠE on student exchanges; on the American continent, three partner universities also succeeded.

Other awarded partner universities are: University of Sydney – Faculty of Economics and Business, National University of Singapore – NUS Business School, and Tel Aviv University.



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Table: European and American Schools awarded in the EDUNIVERSAL evaluation

Region	Country	Palms	Institution / School	Partner university of VŠE
Western Europe	GB	5	London Business School (LBS)	Yes
Western Europe	DK	5	Copenhagen Business School (CBS)	Yes
Western Europe	NL	5	Erasmus University - Rotterdam School of Management	Yes
Eastern Europe	CZ	5	University of Economics, Prague	
Eastern Europe	PL	5	SGH - Warsaw School of Economics	Yes
Eastern Europe	RU	4	St. Petersburg State University - Graduate School of Management	Yes
Latin America	MX	5	ITESM - EGADE Monterrey	Yes
Latin America	CL	5	Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile - Escuela de Administración	Yes
Latin America	CR	5	INCAE Business School	No
North America	US	5	Harvard Business School (HBS)	No
North America	US	5	MIT - Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Sloan School of Management	No
North America	CA	5	McGill University - Desautels Faculty of Management	Yes

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The University of Economics, Prague (VŠE) is the largest economic university in the Czech Republic. Nowadays, over 18 thousand 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 VŠE occupy important functions in the private, as well as public sectors. 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 VŠE'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. More information about the VŠE is available at www.vse.cz.



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