

PRESS RELEASE

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**Sylvie Retailleau appointed Minister of Higher Education and Research:
political and administrative continuity for the University's governance**

On Friday 20 May 2022, Sylvie Retailleau, was appointed Minister of Higher Education and Research of the French government. Following her nomination, transitional arrangements have been put in place at Université Paris-Saclay to ensure the institution's political and administrative continuity. Estelle lacona, the University's First Vice President, will assure the role of the University's interim president statutorily until a new president is elected.

The University's governing bodies remain in place and the elected members of the institution's various boards will complete their current mandates until their term of office at the start of 2024. The University must establish an electoral process as outlined in the institution's statutes as swiftly as possible, which will allow the Governing Board to elect a new president in the coming weeks via a call for applications. This call for applications will be made public in the coming days.

In the thirty days following the election, the president will propose to the Governing Board, the Research Commission and the Commission for Education and University Life that they proceed to the election of their respective vice presidents.

The calendar for upcoming electoral operations is currently being drafted, with the objective of establishing an outcome before the summer break.

ABOUT UNIVERSITÉ PARIS-SACLAY

Université Paris-Saclay brings together ten constituent faculties and institutes, four Grandes Écoles, the Institut des Hautes Etudes Scientifiques, two associate institutions and shared laboratories with six national research organisations.

With 48,000 students, 8,100 lecturers and 8,500 administrative and technical staff members, Université Paris-Saclay offers a comprehensive and varied range of undergraduate to doctorate level programmes and engineering degrees, renowned for their quality thanks to the reputation and commitment of the University's academic staff.

Located in the south of Paris on vast sites that stretch across Paris, Orsay, Évry and Versailles, Université Paris-Saclay benefits from a strategic geographical and socio-economic position that is strengthened by its international visibility. A leading university, Université Paris-Saclay is recognised for its excellent Mathematics and Physics programmes but also for Biological and Medical Sciences, Agriculture, Engineering, and its extensive Humanities and Social Sciences courses. Close to Paris, Université Paris-Saclay is nested in a protected natural area, at the heart of a dynamic economic hub.



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