



Press Release

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**Genopole and Université Paris-Saclay sign a strategic partnership agreement for innovation and biotechnology.**

Evry-Courcouronnes, 12 January 2024 - Genopole, France's leading biocluster in biotechnology, and Université Paris-Saclay, a world-class research-intensive university, have signed a strategic partnership agreement, strengthening their work together in innovation and biotechnology.

The agreement aims to promote scientific and technological progress in the fields of health and the environment. It hopes to help the development of collaborative and innovative research projects, strengthen biotechnology expertise with new programmes for students and researchers, and support the development of innovative companies.

Among the commitments made, the agreement includes a drive to encourage synergies between education and research at both institutions, contributing to the quality of education provided to students both *in* research and *through* research. The partnership also aims to pool resources, support forms of dialogue, and develop shared infrastructure and platforms equipped with cutting-edge research facilities.

The partnership will act as a precious tool in the continued development of innovation for the future, by giving teams an ecosystem that is conducive to research excellence.

"This partnership is an important step for Genopole and Université Paris-Saclay," said Gilles Trystram, CEO of Genopole. "It will allow us to build on our existing relationship and create synergies to tackle challenges in innovation and biotechnology."

"Université Paris-Saclay is delighted to strengthen its partnership with Genopole," said Thierry Doré, Vice President of Research and Development at Université Paris-Saclay. "The partnership will allow us to bring our expertise and resources together to develop innovative projects in biotechnology, for the benefit of society."

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About Genopole: Genopole is a French biocluster dedicated to genetics and biotechnology research in the fields of health and the environment. It brings together 65 companies, 17 academic research laboratories, 25 technological facilities, as well as university programmes with the universities of Evry and Paris-Saclay. It aims to encourage the emergence and growth of biotech companies, innovation transfer to industry, research development and higher education in life sciences. With Gilles Trystram as its CEO, Genopole is a public interest group, supported by the French government, the Île-de-France region, the Essonne department, the Grand Paris Sud conurbation authority, the town of Evry-Courcouronnes and AFM-Téléthon.

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About Université Paris-Saclay: Université Paris-Saclay was born from the shared ambition of French universities, *grandes écoles* and national research organisations. As a leading university in Europe and the world, it covers the fields of science and engineering, life sciences and health, and humanities and social sciences. The university's science policy closely intertwines research and innovation, incorporating both basic and applied science to tackle major societal challenges. Université Paris-Saclay offers a varied range of undergraduate to doctorate level degrees, including programmes with its *grandes écoles*, all of which are focused on achieving student success and employability. The university prepares students for an ever-changing world where the ability to think critically, remain agile and renew one's skills are crucial. Université Paris-Saclay also offers a comprehensive range of lifelong learning courses. Located to the south of Paris, the university extends across a vast and rich local area. Its location strengthens both its international visibility and its close ties with its socio-economic partners (major companies, SMEs, start-ups, local authorities, charities).

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