



## ASHOKA UNIVERSITY INKS MoU WITH HEC PARIS

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Ashoka University has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with HEC Paris.

The collaboration brings together one of the world's leading European Business Institutes and India's pioneering Liberal Arts university to promote cooperation on academic and research development between the two. As a part of the MoU, the two institutions will look at designing innovative academic programs and course curricula at Ashoka. The collaboration will explore opportunities such as allowing faculty and students to spend time with the partner university and create joint research programmes.

Commenting on the occasion, **Peter Todd, Dean, HEC Paris** said, "As two progressive educational institutions with multi-disciplinary capabilities, HEC Paris and Ashoka University have a potential for a strong research collaboration. Through this partnership, we are taking a definite step towards a stronger commitment to world-class education and joint value creation."

**Vineet Gupta, Co-Founder and Pro-Vice Chancellor Ashoka University** said, "We are excited to collaborate with HEC Paris, which has advanced the frontiers of management education and research across the globe. We are looking forward to working together with them to create high-quality research and education opportunities for students and faculty. This partnership also offers a great opportunity for us to expand the possibilities of our academic excellence and research globally."

### What does the MoU entail?

- Creating innovative academic programs and course curricula at Ashoka
- Allowing and facilitating faculty members from each university to spend time (short term, semester, long-term, etc.) at the other university
- Creating joint research programmes between faculty of Ashoka and HEC Paris and professional development of Ashoka faculty that may include faculty exchanges

### About HEC Paris

Specializing in management education and research, HEC Paris offers a complete and unique range of educational programs for the leaders of tomorrow: Masters programs, Summer School, MBA, PhD, Executive MBA, TRIUM Global Executive MBA, open-enrolment and custom executive education programs. Founded in 1881 by the Paris Chamber of Commerce and Industry, HEC Paris is a founding member of the Université Paris-Saclay. It boasts a faculty of 138 full-time professors, more than 4,400 students and over 8,000 managers and executives in training each

year. HEC Paris was ranked second business school in Europe by the Financial Times' overall business school ranking in December 2016.

For further details about HEC Paris, please visit [www.hec.edu](http://www.hec.edu) @HECParis

### **About Ashoka University**

Ashoka University is India's first non-profit liberal arts university built on the model of collective public philanthropy. With a strong emphasis on multidisciplinary learning, development of 21st-century skills and leadership attributes, Ashoka is preparing students to be critical thinkers and ethical leaders in an increasingly complex world.

For further details about Ashoka University, please visit: [www.ashoka.edu.in](http://www.ashoka.edu.in).

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