Our ambition: create a European champion on AI & Data Science for society competing with the very best institutions in the world.

The Center sets a standard of excellence with its interdisciplinary approach to educational programs, high-level research projects and innovation, which benefits science, the economy, public decision makers and society. Hi! PARIS was founded by HEC Paris and Institut Polytechnique de Paris and joined in 2021 by Inria - Institut national de recherche en sciences et technologies du numérique - Saclay Center.

Thanks to seven corporate donors, L’Oréal, Capgemini, TotalEnergies, KERING, Rexel, VINCI and Schneider Electric, the Center conducts breakthrough multidisciplinary research, provides the economy with the best talent and foster a vibrant eco-system for innovation.
Hi! PARIS is an interdisciplinary community of outstanding scientists, who lead pioneering research on AI and data science to develop a strategic vision for economic and public decision makers in France and Europe. Their scientific breakthroughs will develop new solutions to thrive in all business sectors whilst creating significant impact on society.

13 chairs
Thirteen new professors, internationally renowned in their fields, were appointed and allocated funds to build their research teams. They also contribute to education programs and supervise doctoral students, in the following themes: Strategy, Finance, Marketing, Econometrics, Machine learning for computer vision and Reinforcement learning applied to energy.

6 fellows
Six selected fellows were appointed for 3 years and allocated a budget to recruit research team members, fund PhD students and support a variety of research activities in the following themes: FinTech, Decision Making, Federated Learning, Econometrics, Computer graphics, Statistical Learning, and Smart Law.

3 PostDoc fellowships
From 2023, the Center offers 2-year postdoctoral fellowships for excellent early-career researchers in AI and Data Science.

34 PhD thesis
The Center offers 3-year PhD funding. The PhD students are meticulously selected for their academic excellence and highly innovative minds, in the fields of AI & Data Science. They play a key role in the development and output of cutting-edge research from Hi! PARIS.

32 academic projects
The Center supports the research projects of the affiliated Professors by funding collaborative and scientific projects involving data collection, interdisciplinary invited researchers, equipment purchase, travels, meetings and conference organization.

1,290 students
involved since 2021 in these transversal activities:

- The X-HEC Master of Science Data Science for Business is ranked #3 worldwide and #1 in Europe.
- Hi!ckathon
An annual 2-Day competitive data challenge offering a preparatory program of 3.5 weeks, 4 editions from 2021 to cover AI and social topics (AI and Energy Efficiency, AI and Sustainability, AI and Energy Security, AI Olympic Games 2024 & Supply Chain).
- Data Bootcamp
2 times 1-week hybrid seminar for Bachelor, Master and MBA students wishing to discover Data Science and machine learning programming through real use cases and applications of AI.
- Capstone projects
10 weeks of practical work mentored by an academic tutor and a company representative, including corporate donors, on a subject and dataset proposed by the industry.
- Summer School
An annual 4-day event on AI. It covers a wide range of topics in the domain of AI and Data Science from different perspectives through tutorials with two parallel tracks (Data Science and AI for Business and Society and Theory and Methods of AI).
- Hi! PhD researchers have received ERC (European Research Council) Grants. This competitive long-term funding supports outstanding established researchers to pursue groundbreaking, high-risk projects.
- Hi! PARIS events are globally recognized. From 2021 to 2022, 146 publications at ICML, ICLR, NeurIPS, three top international conferences in AI and Machine Learning.
- HFactory is the first startup arising from the Hi! PARIS ecosystem, which is geared towards providing many more start-ups. It provides a unique and integrated Learning Content Management System (LCMS) dedicated to data science and AI education as well as services to assist in organizing data challenges or hackathons. Hi! PARIS has chosen HFactory for managing all the data events.

To help researchers a better impact on society and encourage technological transfer, Hi! PARIS greatly promotes synergies between its large entrepreneurial ecosystem and corporate donors.

- 25 projects successfully delivered.
- 48 GitHub repositories and six packages to contribute to the open-source community.
- 10+ datasets collected, and an open-source database is currently under development.
- Creation of an Engineer Toolbox, which offers valuable scripts for machine learning projects to the AI community.

They actively collaborate with startups and associations to implement research findings that serve the betterment of society.

The Engineering Team consists of seven engineers who assist Hi! PARIS researchers throughout the entire process of their projects, starting from the initial idea to the training of the AI model and its deployment for societal use.

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