# MGX, Bpifrance, Mistral AI, and NVIDIA Launch Joint Venture to Build Europe's Largest AI Campus in France

Bouygues, EDF, Ecole Polytechnique, RTE, and Sipartech Join as Ecosystem

Partners in Landmark Initiative

Paris, Abu Dhabi – 19 May 2025 — On the occasion of the Choose France Summit held in Versailles, **Bpifrance**, the French national investment bank, and **MGX**, the UAE investment fund focused on artificial intelligence and advanced technology, together with generative Al leader **Mistral Al**, and world leader in Al computing infrastructure **NVIDIA**, announced the formation of a joint venture to establish Europe's largest Al Campus, which will be located in the Paris region and is expected to ultimately reach a capacity of 1.4 GW.

This strategic initiative builds on broader AI cooperation agreements supported by UAE President His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan and French President Emmanuel Macron at the AI Action Summit in February 2025. Located in Europe's leading economic zone, the AI Campus marks a major step toward establishing sovereign, sustainable, and globally competitive AI infrastructure across the continent.

The joint venture signing ceremony was witnessed by Mr. Eric Lombard, French Minister of Economy, Finance, and Industrial and Digital Sovereignty, and His Excellency Khaldoon Al Mubarak, Chairman of the Executive Affairs Authority and member of the Artificial Intelligence and Advanced Technology Council.

Together, the partners will develop Europe's first purpose-built intelligence hub supporting the full AI lifecycle, from model training and inference to deployment of generative and applied AI systems. Strategically located to integrate with France's research and innovation ecosystems, the Campus will feature advanced compute infrastructure, facilities for experimentation, and real-world development environments.

The open platform will include exascale-class computing, sovereign cloud integration, and low-carbon hyperscale data centers optimized for AI. It will support large-scale AI adoption in fields such as healthcare, mobility, energy, finance, and manufacturing, while advancing Europe's digital and climate sovereignty.

**Nicolas Dufourcq, CEO of Bpifrance**, said: "Bpifrance is proud to co-found this transformative European AI Campus with MGX. This initiative highlights France's scientific excellence, capacity to deliver cutting-edge infrastructure, and its attractiveness to top talent. The Campus strengthens our technological sovereignty and reinforces France's position as a global AI leader."

Ahmed Yahia, Managing Director and CEO of MGX, said: "France has the ambition and capability to lead in this new AI era. At MGX, we see AI as the most transformative force of our time, and believe open, enduring infrastructure is key to unlocking its broad societal impact. The France AI Campus will accelerate breakthroughs across science, education, public services, and business, fueling Europe's next wave of innovation."

Arthur Mensch, Co-Founder and CEO of Mistral AI, said: "Campus AI marks a pivotal step in reinforcing France's position as a global leader in AI. By uniting top-tier expertise and cutting-edge solutions across the entire AI value chain, this initiative aims to foster sustainable AI ecosystems and create tangible benefits for companies, public institutions, and academic players. We are proud to play a pivotal role in making the AI Campus a driving force for accelerating AI adoption, innovation, and technological leadership in France."

**Jensen Huang, CEO of NVIDIA**, said: "The AI Campus will be a transformational infrastructure for France - built in France, to fuel France in the era of AI. It will revolutionize science, education, and industry."

Laura Chaubard, Director General of Ecole Polytechnique, said: "As a French leading academic and research institution, École Polytechnique is proud to contribute to the AI Campus by advancing cutting-edge research and training the next generation of AI leaders. This partnership reflects our shared commitment to fostering international collaboration and strengthening Europe's capacity for sovereign, responsible, and high-impact AI innovation."

The Campus will be supported by a strong ecosystem of public and private partners from government, technology, industry, and academia. Confirmed partners include:

- **Bouygues:** A French leader in construction, energies and telecommunications, renowned for its expertise in innovative and complex projects in over 80 countries.
- **EDF Group**: World leader in low-carbon energy and a key player in energy transition, the EDF Group is an integrated energy operator engaged in all aspects of the energy business.
- Ecole Polytechnique, member of Institut Polytechnique de Paris: A top-tier academic and research institution in science, engineering, and artificial intelligence. Ecole Polytechnique will contribute to the academic component and establish a teaching and research chair, funding PhDs and research projects, notably in collaboration with Mohamed Bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence in the UAE.
- **RTE:** France's national electricity transmission operator, which has recently developed a dedicated approach to accelerate the connection of large consumers on pre-qualified sites.

• **Sipartech:** A French provider of high-capacity fiber infrastructure across Europe. As part of a collective effort, Sipartech will contribute to the Paris AI Campus by delivering fast, reliable connectivity to key digital hubs alongside other partners shaping this new ecosystem.

Construction is expected to begin in the second half of 2026, with operations launching by 2028.

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#### **About MGX**

MGX is a technology investment company focused on accelerating the development and adoption of AI and advanced technologies through world-leading partnerships in the United Arab Emirates and globally. MGX invests in sectors where AI can deliver value and economic impact at scale, including semiconductors, infrastructure, software, tech-enabled services, life sciences, and physical AI. For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.mgx.ae/en">https://www.mgx.ae/en</a>

# **About Bpifrance**

Bpifrance is the French national investment bank: it finances businesses – at every stage of their development – through loans, guarantees, equity investments and export insurances. Bpifrance also provides extra financial services (training, consultancy) to help entrepreneurs grow their businesses and overcome the challenges they face (innovation, export...).

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#### **About Mistral Al**

Mistral AI is a pioneer company in generative artificial intelligence, empowering the world with the tools to build and benefit from the most transformative technology of our time. The company democratizes AI through high-performance, optimized, and cutting-edge open-source models, products and solutions. Headquartered in France and independent, Mistral AI defends a decentralized and transparent approach to technology, with a strong global presence in the United States, United Kingdom, and Singapore.

# **About Bouygues**

Bouygues is a diversified services group operating in over 80 countries with 200,000 employees all working to make life better every day. Its business activities in construction (Bouygues Construction, Bouygues Immobilier, Colas); energies & services (Equans); media (TF1) and telecoms (Bouygues Telecom) are able to drive growth since they all satisfy constantly changing and essential needs.

#### **About EDF Group**

EDF Group is a key player in the energy transition, as an integrated energy operator engaged in all aspects of the energy business: power generation, distribution, trading, energy sales and energy services. The Group is a world leader in low-carbon energy, with an output of 520TWh 94% decarbonized and a carbon intensity of 30gCO2/kWh, a diverse generation mix based mainly on nuclear and renewable energy (including hydropower). It is also investing in new technologies to support the energy transition. EDF's raison d'être is to build a net zero energy future with electricity and innovative solutions and services, to help save the planet and drive well-being and economic development. The Group supplies energy and services to approximately 41.5 million customers(1) and generated consolidated sales of €118.7 billion in 2024.

(1) The customer portfolio consists of electricity, gas and recurring service contracts

# About Ecole Polytechnique, member of Institut Polytechnique de Paris

École Polytechnique, is a higher education and research Institution that cultivates multidisciplinary and scientific excellence. L'X combines research, education and innovation at the highest scientific and technological level. The Institution promotes a culture of excellence with a strong emphasis on science, anchored in humanist traditions. Through its range of training programs – Bachelor of Science, École Polytechnique engineering program, Masters of Science and Technology, Executive Masters, Continuing education - École Polytechnique trains leaders with a strong multidisciplinary scientific culture by exposing them to both the world of research and industry. With its 23 laboratories, including 22 joint research units with the CNRS, École Polytechnique works at the frontiers of knowledge on major interdisciplinary challenges in the scientific, technological and societal fields. École Polytechnique is a founding member of Institut Polytechnique de Paris. www.polytechnique.edu

### **About RTE**

The French electricity-transmission-system operator, RTE, provides a public service: guaranteeing a constant supply of electricity throughout France, with the same standard of service, thanks to the efforts of its 10 000-strong staff. RTE manages electricity flows, balancing production and consumption in real time. RTE maintains and develops the high and extra-high voltage grid (from 63,000 to 400,000 volts) which includes nearly 100,000 kilometers of overhead lines, 7,000 kilometers of underground lines, 2,900 operational, some jointly operated, substations, and around fifty cross-border lines. With 37 interconnections, the French grid is the most extensive in Europe. RTE is an independent and neutral industrial operator which optimises and transforms its grid to connect electricity-production facilities for any future energy choices. Through expertise and reporting, RTE informs the decisions made by the public authorities.

# **About Sipartech**

Sipartech is a leading neutral and independent infrastructure operator that supports the deployment of next-generation digital services through scalable and resilient fiber networks. With nearly 20 years of experience and more than 34,000 km of infrastructure across Europe, Sipartech delivers reliable, high-performance connectivity for data centers, hyperscalers, operators, enterprises, as well as public institutions and government entities. Discover more on <a href="https://www.sipartech.com">www.sipartech.com</a>

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