Laurence Le Coq Appointed Director of Research and Innovation at IMT Atlantique

Laurence Le Coq has been Associate Director of Research and Innovation at IMT Atlantique since 2017. She will now oversee all of the school’s research activities.

Laurence Le Coq is a chemical engineer and holds a PhD in process engineering from the Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble (1996). She was Director of Research at the École des Mines de Nantes from 2015 to 2017 and Deputy Director of the GEPEA laboratory (UMR CNRS) from 2010 to 2019, before being appointed Associate Director of Research at IMT Atlantique. Laurence Le Coq has conducted noteworthy research in the fields of aerosols, gaseous pollutants and porous media in the GEPEA laboratory. Her recognized expertise and experience have earned her several scientific appointments. Laurence Le Coq is a member of the Board of Directors of the French Aerosol Research and Study Association (ASFERA) and the French Process Engineering Society (SFGP), the Scientific Commission of the French National Institute for Research and Safety at Work (INRS) and the Scientific Council of the Higher School of Aeronautics and Automotive Engineering (ESTACA).

At the heart of collaborative research
Laurence has actively participated in or led the scientific coordination of several European and international mobility programmes. She has also led national collaborative research programmes and established industrial partnerships.

In addition to her role directing research in process engineering, Laurence has been teaching for more than 20 years in the fields of mathematics for engineers and process engineering. She has authored or co-authored numerous publications in 65 international journals and has given more than 120 papers at national and international conferences. Laurence Le Coq has also supervised or co-supervised 19 doctoral theses and 13 post-doctoral students.

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About IMT Atlantique

IMT Atlantique is a leading general engineering school (among the top 400 universities in the world in THE World University Ranking 2020 - 59th World University under 50 years of age) and is internationally recognized for its research (present in 4 themes of the Shanghai ranking). It is part of the Institut Mines-Télécom and comes under the aegis of the Ministry of industry and digital technology.

With 3 campuses, each with its own incubator, in Brest, Nantes and Rennes, and a site in Toulouse, IMT Atlantique aims to combine digital technology, energy and the environment to transform society and industry through training, research and innovation and to be the leading French institution of higher education and research in this field on the international scale.

Since September 2018, IMT Atlantique has been offering a new programme for general engineers. Students are recruited through the French Mining and Civil Engineering entrance examination (“Concours Mines-Ponts”). The School also awards two apprenticeship engineering diplomas, master’s degrees, specialized master’s degrees and doctorates.

IMT Atlantique is responsible for engineering courses based on cutting-edge research carried out in 6 joint research units: GEPEA, IRISA, LATIM, LABSTICC, LS2N and SUBATECH. Partners include CNRS, INRIA, INSERM, universities and engineering schools. The school builds on its research excellence in its flagship areas (energy and digital technology, cybersecurity, the environment and digital technology, industry of the future, nuclear, health and the digital sector, risk and risk interactions) and by linking scientific fields to meet tomorrow’s challenges: digital transition, environmental transition, industrial transition, energy transition, health of the future and basic research.

The School is a member of the Carnot M.I.N.N.E.S Institute (Innovative Methods for Business and Society), the Carnot Telecom & Digital Society Institute (TSN) and a founding member of the Université Bretagne Loire community of universities and institutions.