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**The renewal of the scientific contract for
Knowledge, learning and challenges
in/for society**

General program



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Gustave Eiffel University, Champs
sur Marne (77), France



February 18, 2026
from 9 am to 6 pm
International scientific
conference co-organized at
UNESCO

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026 - UNIVERSITÉ GUSTAVE EIFFEL
(Building Bienvenue – Champs sur Marne)

Book and Scientific Journal stand - Association forum Exhibition of paintings “Knowledge”	
9:00-10:00 Welcome for participants	Networking around the Buffet - Film screenings Key recommendations from UNESCO’s Futures of Education Futures of Education report explained by members of the International Commission
10:00-11:30 Amphitheater Plenary conference	Official opening of the International Scientific Congress <i>The renewal of the scientific contract for education</i> <i>Knowledge, learning, and challenges in/for society</i> Opening addresses Dr. Véronique Attias-Delattre , President RUNES , MCF, Université Gustave Eiffel, France Pr. Georges Nahas , Vice President AFIRSE , Liban Pr. Sobhi Tawil , Director Division for the Future of Learning & Innovation, UNESCO Dr. Jamila Al-Khatib , co-director scientific journal, <i>La Recherche En Éducation</i> , Université Gustave Eiffel, France Pr. Gilles Roussel , President, Université Gustave Eiffel, France With the presidents, vice presidents, and rectors of partner universities UCO France (Université Catholique de l’Ouest), USJ Liban (Université Saint-Joseph), UQAR Canada (Université du Québec à Rimouski), UFAM Brésil (Universidade Federal do Amazonas), Chaire Unesco CINVESTAV, Mexique, Université de Patras, Grèce, Université de Kinshasa, RDC Representatives of International and National Institutional Partners , notamment l’ AUF (Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie) et l’ IRD (Institut de Recherche pour le Développement), Commission française de l’UNESCO, l’ACFAS
11:30-1:00 Amphitheater Plenary conference	Guest of honor, Pr. Antonio Novoa University Professor, University of Lisbon, Former Member of the Council of State of Portugal



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1:00-3:00	Lunch	
3:10-5:00 Amphitheater Plenary conference	Theme 1 <i>Education and Humanism: Toward a Happy Massification?</i>	
	Moderator: Mathias Szpirglas , Vice President RUNES , Associate Professor, Université Gustave Eiffel, France Dr. B. Benbouzid , Associate Professor, Laboratoire LISIS, Université Gustave Eiffel, France Pr. B. Charlot , Honorary University Professor, Université de Paris 8, France, Université Sergipe, Brasil Pr. G. Garel , University Professor, Chair of Innovation Management and President of the CNAM Chair Assembly, France Dr. D. Lavaur , Le Toucher Minuscule (designer of devices for interacting with museum visitors)	
5:00-5:15	Break	
5:15-5:45	Presentation of journals and books	
5:45-6:45	Symposiums - Thematic workshops	
7:00 -8:30 Amphitheater	Film concert Gustave Eiffel	Symphony orchestra, Les planches à musique <i>From Paris to the Moon, an encounter between Eiffel and Méliès</i>



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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026 (UNESCO) – Specific registration	
Book and Scientific Journal stand	
08:30-09:00	Welcome reception for participants
09:00-09:30 Plenary conference Amphitheater 2 (A.2)	Opening Allowances Pr. S. Giannini , Deputy Director General for Education, UNESCO Pr. G. Roussel , President Université Gustave Eiffel, France Pr. S. Tawil , Director of the Future of Education and Innovation Team, UNESCO Dr. V. Attias-Delattre , President RUNES, Université Gustave Eiffel, France
09:30-10:00	Keynote speaker President Sahle-Work Zewde , Former President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
10:00-12:00 Plenary conference A.2	Theme 2 <i>The future of interdisciplinary cooperation in international research</i>
Moderator: Pr. S. Didou-Aupetit , Director of Research at CINESTAV Center for Research and Advanced Studies, National Polytechnic Institute, Mexico, UNESCO Chairholder Dr. T. Zhang , Deputy Director for Higher Education Policy, European University Association, Belgium Dr. C. Nafti-Malherbe , UCO, VP RUNES, France Pr. A. Navarro , Secretary General, French National Commission for UNESCO Pr. K. Holmes , Research Coordinator, Building Evidence in Education (BE ²) Pr. S. Tawil , Director of the Future of Education and Innovation Team at UNESCO Representative of IRD	
12:00-12h15	Break
12:15-01:45 Plenary conference A.2	Theme 3 <i>How AI is transforming research and foresight in education?</i>
Moderator: Pr. G. Stamelos , University Professor, University of Patras, Greece Pr. M. Casillas , Universidad Veracruzana, Mexico. Pr. F. Taddei , President of the Learning Planet Institute, UNESCO Chair, France Dr. B. Mocquet , Digital Expert, AMUE (Agency for the Mutualization of Universities and Higher Education or Research Institutions, France Pr. M. Poisson , IPE, KGeM, UNESCO	



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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026 (UNESCO) – Specific registration	
01:45-03:00	Lunch break
03:00-04:45 Plenary conference A.2	Theme 4 <i>A New Scientific Contract for Education</i>
Moderator: Dr. V. Attias-Delattre , President of RUNES, IRG Laboratory, Université Gustave Eiffel, France Pr. J. Bruner , former Minister of Education in Chile, UNESCO Chair Pr. M. Maltais , President of ACFAS, University of Quebec, Canada Pr. C. Mouneyrac , Vice-Rector for Research and International Affairs, Catholic University of the West, France. Former Minister of SER, France	
04:45-05:30	Cocktail reception - Guided tour of UNESCO
07:30-10:30	Gala dinner (separate registration required)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2026 - UNIVERSITÉ GUSTAVE EIFFEL
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Book and Scientific Journal stand - Association forum - Exhibition of paintings "Knowledge"

09:00-9:30

Welcome for participants

9:30-11:00

**Plenary
conference
Amphitheater**

Theme 4

What kind of education for the Anthropocene?

Moderator: Dr.C. Nafti-Malherbe, Université Catholique de l'Ouest, France

Pr. R. Hétier, University Professor, Université Catholique de l'Ouest, France.

Dr. M. Perrinel, University Professor, Université Catholique de l'Ouest, France

Dr S. Pinheiro, University Professor, Furg Universade federal do Rio Grande, Brasil

Pr. N. Wallenhorst, University Professor, Université Catholique de l'Ouest, France

11:00-11:15

Break

11:15-01:15

Symposiums - Thematic workshops

01:15-02:30

Lunch

02:30-04:00

**Plenary
conference
Amphitheater**

Theme 5

Higher education in times of turbulence or upheaval

Moderator: Dr. J. Al-Khatib, Director O.P.P.(Observatoire des Pratiques Pédagogiques), Université Gustave Eiffel, Co-director Scientific review, *La Recherche En Éducation*

Pr. Y. Gharib, Université Saint-Joseph, Liban
 (Programming in progress)

04:00-04:45

Debate: *What are the challenges for scientific research associations in education?*

Moderator: Pr. R. Laroui, UQAR, Canada

04:45-05:00

Break

05:00-07:00

Symposiums - Thematic workshops



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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026 UNIVERSITÉ GUSTAVE EIFFEL
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Book and magazine stand - Association forum - Exhibition of paintings on Knowledge

09:00-09:15	Welcome reception for participants	
09:15-11:15	Plenary conference Amphitheater	Theme 6 <i>Massification and Democratization of Higher Education</i>

Moderator: V. Attias-Delattre, President RUNES, Associate Professor, Université Gustave Eiffel, France

Special Guest, **S. Bensahel-Mercier**,

Vice President for: Innovation Pédagogique et aux réussites étudiantes, Responsable scientifique du projet NCU/D.Clic, Université Gustave Eiffel, France

Pr. A Diakaté, University Professor, Sénégal

Pr. G. Stamelos, University Professor, University Patras, Grèce

Pr. G. Lapostolle, University Professor, Université de Lorraine, France

Pr. Y. Lichtenberger, Conseiller France Université, Université Gustave Eiffel, France

Pr. S. Didou-Aupetit, Research Director, CINVESTAV, VP RUNES

11:00-11:15	Break
11:15-01:00	Symposiums - Thematic workshops
01:00-02:00	Lunch Break
02:00-03:30	Symposiums - Thematic workshops
04:00-05:00	RUNES and AFIRSE General Assembly Closing conference: Prospects for scientific research
	Book series: <i>Higher Education and Research</i>



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