Acting, in my capacity as Rector of the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (UPM), on behalf of the university’s educational community, it is my pleasure to introduce you to what is Spain’s leading higher education institution in the fields of engineering, architecture, sports science and fashion design.

UPM is the country’s largest technical university, and an influential European higher education institution. I am proud to say that the UPM stands out for its intensive research activity, its internationally accredited and recognized academic excellence, and its interweaving into the fabric of national and international industry, which are its mainstays as a public higher education institution.

Around 40,000 students are training on our 4+1 university campuses distributed across the city of Madrid. UPM also has research centres and institutes where research groups are working on many projects that also serve to train our students at the cutting edge of their fields and where they participate in the generation of new knowledge. Thanks to the effort of UPM’s academic and research staff, administrative staff and alumni around the globe, UPM is acknowledged to be one of the best 75 global universities for engineering and architecture and ranks within the world’s top 94 in terms of employability.

UPM is a public university committed to and working towards the 17 Sustainable Development Goals set up by the United Nations General Assembly. UPM is open to anyone wanting to learn, research and share their talent in the branches of knowledge in we specialize. I invite you to learn more about us in this presentation.
The UPM is one of Europe’s top universities, renowned for its academic and research quality, innovation and close ties with society. The UPM offers 55 accredited single or joint bachelor degree programmes and its degree programmes are highly rated by industry.

With over 36,000 students and 2,900 academic staff, its activities (teaching, research and technology transfer) focus on all branches of engineering, architecture, sports science and fashion design.

UPM Facts and Figures

- 16 schools, 1 faculty and 1 affiliated college
- Almost 2,900 teaching staff and researchers
- Over 30,000 undergraduate students (2020/21)
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- Accredited bachelor degree programmes
- Accredited master degree programmes
- 18 accredited combined bachelor and master degree programmes
- 44 accredited PhD programmes
- 238 UPM academic programmes (executive master, expert specialization and lifelong training programmes)
- 96 double degree programme agreements with international universities
- Agreements with international universities
- International exchanges by over 1,800 UPM students every year
- 19 cooperation for development groups

- Over 6,500 work placements in the 2020/21 academic year
- 17 sports clubs
- A total of 160 student associations

- 202 research groups
- Funding of over 30 million euros from regional, national and international projects (2017)
- Funding totalling 242.6 million euros from projects with industry from 2008 to 2018
- University-industry partnerships
- Over 292 actuaUPM-supported start-ups since 2004 with a three-year survival rate of over 70%
- 293 H2020 project awards to date, including 112 projects coordinated by the UPM
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The UPM is the Spanish university with the most internationally accredited engineering and architecture degree programmes. UPM degree programmes hold over 50 international accreditations by ABET, NAAB, EUR-ACE or EURO-INF. Awarded by independent European and US agencies, these quality labels improve the prospects of its graduates on the international labour market by certifying that the UPM’s training process meets the standards of the best universities in the world.

### International Accreditations

**ABET**

**What is ABET?**

The highly reputed Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) is a US non-profit non-governmental organization that accredits higher education or post-secondary education programmes in applied science, computer science and engineering and technology disciplines.

**EUR-ACE®**

**What is EUR-ACE®?**

The EUR-ACE® label is a certificate awarded by an agency authorized by the European accreditation network ENAEE to a higher education institution with respect to a bachelor or master programme evaluated according to a number of standards defined according to the principles of quality, relevance, transparency, recognition and mobility governing the European Higher Education Area.

**NAAB**

**What is NAAB?**

The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) is the only agency authorized in the United States to accredit professional architecture degree programmes.

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### 41 Internationally Accredited Degree Programmes

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**SPAIN’S LEADING UNIVERSITY IN TERMS OF INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE ACCREDITATIONS**

Photo by: ARÁNZAZU AYALA SERRANO
Scientific and technological expertise

290 projects awarded under FP7 and 293 under H2020 so far, of which 112 were projects coordinated by the UPM

Funding of over 39 million euros for regional, national and international projects (2017)

200 research groups, staffed by over 2,800 researchers, of which 380 are full professors

AWARDED PROJECTS
290
PROJECTS

RESEARCH GROUPS
200

BOOSTING R&D&I
One strategic policy line at the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid is to boost R&D&I and knowledge transfer to society. As a result of these two commitments, the UPM ranks among the most active Spanish universities with respect to research activity and is first in terms of competitively secured funds.

UPM at the forefront of innovation in Spain

PARTICIPATION IN THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY
The UPM is a core partner of the EIT Digital, Health, Raw Materials and Climate Knowledge and Innovation Communities, where its participation since 2014 is worth over 7.1 million euros

QUALIFIED RESEARCHERS
On average, 2 to 3 researchers are hired under Ramón y Cajal contracts, five-year contracts designed to attract internationally experienced researchers with additional funding for research activities, and 7 researchers are employed under Juan de la Cierva contracts, two-year contracts for postdoctoral researchers, every year

Technology transfer activities are the source of 15% of the UPM’s budget.

UPM is ranked 96th in the European Ranking of Innovative Universities (including 3,583 EU universities)

The UPM is also the leading Spanish university in terms of patent awards with a portfolio of over 530 active patents.

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Close ties with industry

R&D&I cooperation with industry is one of the UPM’s strengths. It is the Spanish university that collaborates most with industry in terms of both the number of projects and funding awards and agreements. It is home to one of the most active entrepreneurship environments with over 200 start-ups over the last 10 years as part of its entrepreneurship programme.
R&D&I Centres and Institutes

Institutes
- Solar Energy Institute
- Institute of Nuclear Fusion
- Institute of Automobile Research
- Ignacio da Riva Microgravity Institute
- Institute of Optoelectronic Systems and Microtechnology

R&D&I Centres
- Transport Research Centre (TRANSyt)
- Laser Centre
- R&D&I Centre for Energy Efficiency, Virtual Reality, Optical Engineering and Biometry (CEDINT)
- Plant Biotechnology and Genomics Research Centre (CBGP)
- Centre for Industrial Electronics (CEI)
- UPM-AGROMUTUA-ENESA Joint Research Centre for the Management of Agricultural and Environmental Risks (CEGRAM)
- Centre for Biomedical Technology (CTB)
- UPM-CSIC Joint Research Centre for Automation and Robotics (CAR)
- Madrid Supercomputing and Visualization Centre (CeSVIMA)
- Centre for Advanced Materials and Devices for Information and Communications Technologies (CEMDATIC)
- Research Centre on Software Technologies and Multimedia Systems for Sustainability (CITSEM)
- Research Centre on Structural Materials (CIME)
- Centre for Computational Simulation (CCS)
- Information Processing and Telecommunications Centre (IPTC)
- Artificial Intelligence R&D&I Centre (AI.NNOVATION SPACE)

Other Technology Development, Innovation and Transfer Support Centres
- Technology Innovation Support Centre (CAIT)
- Technology Innovation Centre for Development (itdUPM)
- Centre for International Cultural Heritage Studies (CIESPC)
The Universidad Politécnica de Madrid has four university campuses distributed throughout the Madrid region. With fantastic public transport links, UPM campuses are urban spaces designed for teaching and research and offering cultural and sports services to build an exceptional scientific and intellectual environment.

**UPM CAMPUSES**

- Moncloa Campus
- Madrid City Centre Campus
- South Campus
- Montegancedo Campus
- Tecnogetafe

which are home to 16 schools, 1 faculty, 1 affiliated centre, 5 research institutes and 14 R&D&I centres

At the forefront of knowledge, it has two Campuses of International Excellence: Montegancedo Campus and Moncloa Campus, which has other member organizations, including the Complutense University of Madrid.
UPM Degree Programmes

The UPM delivers 55 single and joint bachelor programmes. Its degree programmes are highly regarded especially by industry. Language training and skills developed through co-curricular activities and professional accreditation are some of the distinctive traits of the UPM course catalogue.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

UPM bachelor degree programmes cover all fields of engineering, architecture, sport sciences and fashion design, key to modern-day society on which technological advances have a decisive impact and engineers and scientists play an increasingly important role. Renowned for its teaching quality, the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid provides its students with an all-round scientific and technological training. Its course catalogue draws upon the excellence and experience of its schools.

The UPM also has a Leadership and Technology Centre (CLTY). The CLTY represents UPM’s commitment to all-round student training. It builds upon the education students receive as part of their curriculum, providing professional training based on the latest knowledge and terminologies used in the world of work. Ever since its creation, the UPM’s CLTY has focused on personal capacity building for current and future leaders, offering training in leadership in a technological environment.
POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

MASTER DEGREE PROGRAMME CATALOGUE BY FIELDS

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING
- MSc in Aerospace Engineering
- MSc in Aircraft Design

AGRICULTURAL, FOREST AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
- MSc in Agricultural Engineering
- MSc in Forestry Engineering
- MSc in Environmental Engineering

ARCHITECTURE AND BUILDING TECHNOLOGY
- MSc in Urban and Regional Planning
- MSc in Building Science
- MSc in Building Information Management

BIOTECH
- MSc in Biotechnology

CIVIL, ENERGY, SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
- MSc in Civil Engineering
- MSc in Energy Engineering
- MSc in Environmental Engineering

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES
- MSc in Telecommunication Engineering
- MSc in Computer Engineering

IT AND MANAGEMENT
- MSc in Information Systems Management
- MSc in Business Administration

OTHERS
- MSc in Secondary School Teacher Training (Physical Expression Major)
- MSc in Seismic Risk Analysis through Geospatial Technologies
- MSc in Urban and Spatial Planning

SPORT SCIENCE
- MSc in Sports Science

TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION IN FASHION DESIGN
- MSc in Fashion Design

OTHERS
- MSc in Product Design
- MSc in Graphic Design
- MSc in Interior Design

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL, FOOD AND BIOSYSTEMS ENGINEERING
- MSc in Agricultural, Food and Biosystems Engineering
- MSc in Animal Production and Health
- MSc in Agricultural Engineering

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
- MSc in Architectural Communication
- MSc in Architectural and Building Technology

SCHOOL OF BUILDING TECHNOLOGY
- MSc in Building Refurbishment and Restoration Works
- MSc in Building Structures
- MSc in Building Management

SCHOOL OF CIVIL ENGINEERING (MONCLOA CAMPUS)
- MSc in Civil Engineering

SCHOOL OF COMPUTER ENGINEERING
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- MSc in Computer Systems Engineering

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- MSc in Computer Systems Engineering
- MSc in Data Science and Telematics Services and Network Engineering

SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS ENGINEERING AND DESIGN
- MSc in Computer Systems Engineering and Design

SCHOOL OF FOREST ENGINEERING AND NATURAL RESOURCES
- MSc in Forest Firefighting Technology
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One UPM action line is to promote a barrier-free university guaranteeing equal opportunities and non-discrimination of people with disabilities. Another is to encourage gender equality policies within the university.

The UPM also has a strong and deep-rooted commitment to solidarity and development problems. Students and scholars put their knowledge, inventiveness and creativity to the service of good causes.

Sustainability as an economic, social and environmental whole is a core concern at the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid. This commitment to energy saving and environmental sustainability underlies UPM activities in all institutional, academic, research and business partnership spheres.

Social commitment

UPM INTERNATIONAL
The UPM attaches huge importance to international education as a means of learning about different cultures, relating to other societies and, ultimately, rounding out student training and improving their integration into a multicultural environment.

UPM leads the Magalhaes academic exchange network, as well as cooperation between Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean.

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EELISA European Universities Alliance
The Universidad Politécnica de Madrid leads the EELISA alliance. EELISA brings together a higher education community of over 180,000 students, 16,000 academic, and 11,000 administrative and service staff that will benefit from the initiatives developed across this new European network. EELISA also aspires to transform higher education and play a key role in the search for solutions to the social and environmental challenges facing European society today.

The members of the EELISA alliance, coordinated by the UPM, are the technical universities of Bucharest, Budapest, Istanbul and the Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, three French grandes écoles specializing in science and energy linked to the Université Paris Sciences et Lettres (École de Ponts ParisTech, Mines ParisTech, Chimie ParisTech), and the renowned Pisa-based Scuola Normale Superiore and Scuola Superiore di Studi Universitari e di Perfezionamento Sant’Anna.
UPM and SDGs

The Universidad Politécnica de Madrid places the sustainable development goals (SDGs) at the heart of its key fields of action. Within research, it aligns projects with and trains researchers in SDGs through the promotion of multi-stakeholder alliances. Within teaching, it includes SDGs in development programmes, having set up the MSC in Development Strategies and Technologies and launched specialized training courses on sustainable cities. Within technology transfer, it promotes SDGs through the Centre of Technology Innovation for Development (itdUPM) or development and sustainability university-industry partnerships.

In the 2018-19 academic year, the UPM launched the UPM Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Development Goals Seminars aimed at increasing the visibility of research on key issues that are part of the international sustainability agenda. Over 700 researchers and 140 research groups participated in these seminars.

UPM cultural events revolve around music, including its annual concert cycle held at the National Auditorium of Music, Madrid’s main concert hall, together with performances by the UPM’s Choir (founded over 25 years ago), and the recently established UPM Symphony Orchestra and Band.

UPM fosters sports. It has sports facilities at several schools, as well as at the South and Montegancedo Campuses, also adapted for people with reduced mobility. Its school-based sports clubs encourage their students to partake of physical activity. Every year a large student contingent from the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid participates in the Spanish Higher Education Championships, and the UPM is high up in the medal table.

Student associations are the most important driving force behind culture, leisure and sports at UPM. There are over 160 associations, whose members cultivate personal relationships, develop their creativity and take pleasure in the wide-ranging activities that they organize.

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