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INSEAD Retains Top Position in the Financial Times "Global MBA Ranking"

For the second consecutive year, INSEAD has obtained first place in the Financial Times' worldwide ranking of MBA programs.

Following INSEAD's Board of Directors meeting on February 3, 2017, Wendel warmly congratulates the executives, instructors, students and alumni of INSEAD for this magnificent distinction, which recognizes INSEAD's academic excellence.

To achieve this outstanding result, INSEAD scored very high across several of the FT ranking categories, including alumni career progress and international diversity. INSEAD is the first school with a one-year MBA program to take the first place in the history of the FT rankings.

Wendel and INSEAD, a long-term partnership

Since 1996 Wendel has lent its support to creating a university teaching chair at INSEAD to increase awareness by young generations of students of the economic importance of family-owned companies and their special management features. The success of this program led to the establishment of the Wendel International Center for Family Enterprise (WICFE), which is now a global center of excellence in studying and researching family-owned companies. The Center is an international platform for sharing ideas about the best ways to support family-owned companies and the individuals most closely tied to them. Frédéric Lemoine – Chairman of the Executive Board of Wendel – is a Board Member since 2011.

For further information, please visit: https://centres.insead.edu/family-enterprise/ >

About Wendel

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Standard & Poor's ratings: Long-term: BBB-, stable outlook – Short-term: A-3 since July 7, 2014. Wendel is the Founding Sponsor of Centre Pompidou-Metz. In recognition of its long-term patronage of the arts, Wendel received the distinction of "Grand Mécène de la Culture" in 2012.



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