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## **HSG now ranked fourth in the “Financial Times” ranking, making it the best-ranked public university**

*The international business newspaper “Financial Times” today published its latest European Business Schools Ranking in London. The University of St.Gallen (HSG) moved up one position compared to last year and is now ranked fourth. Since 2012 the HSG has continuously been in the top 10 in this ranking, which now includes the 95 best business universities in Europe.*

In the 2017 European Business Schools Ranking of the “Financial Times”, the University of St.Gallen is once again the best-ranked university in Switzerland and in the entire German-speaking area. What is more, the HSG is also the best-ranked public university in the ranking. The London Business School, HEC Paris and IE Business School in Madrid occupy the first three places.

In its evaluation, the “Financial Times” underscores the broad and high-quality range of programmes at the University of St.Gallen. In the European Business Schools Ranking, it consolidates five individual rankings that are published over the course of a year. In recent years, the HSG has continually improved in the four individual rankings for MBA, Executive MBA as well as both open and company-specific executive education programmes. In the fifth individual ranking, which is for Master’s programmes in management, the University of St.Gallen has held first place worldwide every year since 2011 with its Master in Strategy and International Management.

The latest European Business Schools Ranking also illustrates that the HSG has established an exceptional position in international competition amongst universities in recent years while remaining firmly anchored in Eastern Switzerland. Especially since the majority of the ranking list consists of executive education programmes, this ranking highlights in particular the internationally recognized quality of the MBA, Executive MBA as well as open and company-specific executive education programmes. Today, the University of St.Gallen generates more than a fifth of its budget from executive education programmes.

[European Business Schools Ranking 2017](#)

[More information on the rankings and accreditations of the University of St.Gallen](#)

### **Contact for enquiries:**

**Monday, 4 December 2017, from 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and from 4.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.**

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### **University of St.Gallen (HSG)**

Founded in 1898, the University of St.Gallen (HSG) is Switzerland’s leading business university, and consistently ranks among the top European business schools. In 2017, it ranked fourth in the Financial Times European Business School Ranking. In 2017 its Strategy and International Management (SIM-HSG) programme was No. 1 in the world among master’s programs for the seventh straight year.

The university, which offers bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. degrees, also is internationally recognized for the excellence of its integrative education on the highest academic level through EQUIS and AACSB accreditation. Its focus on international, integrative and practical programmes in business administration, economics, law, social sciences and international affairs attracts a diverse and motivated student body of approximately 8,600 students from 87 countries. The university also hosts 41 institutes, research units and centers that are managed independently as businesses. They augment its programs with education and research based on real-world conditions, and train institute staff at the interface between academia and the professional world. A public university of the Canton of St.Gallen, HSG also offers comprehensive, world-class, executive-education programmes for more than 5,000 participants annually.

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