

Maxence Duault



General Manager of ESA Business School

Born in Rennes (France), Maxence DUAULT rapidly developed a passion for higher education and international studies.

Holder of a Masters degree in 'International Business Law' from the University of Rennes 1, as well as a Masters degree in 'History, Societies and Cultures' from the University of Rennes 2, Maxence DUAULT also managed leisure centers and activities for youth for more than 10 years, in France and abroad.

In 2005, and while pursuing his Masters studies, he started his professional career as a lecturer in Law and Economic Geography at the 'Institut Européen de Formation' of Rennes.

In 2008, he joined the Cooperation and Cultural Action Service (SCAC) of the French Embassy in the Czech Republic as Regional Coordinator and participated in the implementation of Franco-Czech academic programs. In particular, Maxence DUAULT was in charge of the Franco-Czech Master's degree in Public Administration at the Faculty of Economics of Masaryk University (Brno), where he gave lectures. He also represented the French Embassy with local partners (companies, universities, public institutions) in Moravia.

Maxence DUAULT joined ESA Business School in Beirut in 2011 as an expert appointed by the French Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs (MAEE), and assumed the role of Deputy Director, in charge of Academic Affairs. He revamped the financial model of ESA programs, before revising their academic governance. He supervised the preparation for the AMBA international accreditation, which was granted to ESA in 2014, allowing ESA to become one of the two institutions in the Middle East to be AMBA accredited.

In charge of International Affairs and Programs' development, he played a major role in the implementation of all the ESA's strategic projects and fostered the relationship with its institutional partners. Maxence DUAULT supervised the reform of ESA's programs, negotiated a partnership with SDA Bocconi and led the implementation of new curriculums, such as the Bachelor's degree in Business Administration (BBA) in partnership with ESSEC Business School, or the Master's degree in Entrepreneurship (MENT) in partnership with HEC Paris.

He was appointed Dean and General Manager of ESA in December 2019.

In addition to his role of General Manager, Maxence DUAULT is also a member of the Lebanon Committee of French Foreign Trade Advisors (CCEF) and President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry France -Lebanon (CCI) which gathers more than 120 companies.