

ESNIE's ALUMNI: WHO ARE THEY? WHAT HAVE THEY BECOME?

There were about 441 ESNIE participants between 2002 and 2010. However, we will only work on about 346 former candidates who attended the ESNIE conference between 2003 and 2010 for this note. This is due to a lack of sufficient information that we have concerning the former participants in 2002.

Through the use of internet (personal web pages, websites specializing in the diffusion of papers written by academia etc.), we are able to track down and compile information on 346 former candidates of the summer school between 2003 and 2010. While internet has become over the years an indispensable tool for researchers, this is less true for people who integrated the private sector or the public sector where research is not an important part of their profession. Consequently, it is not surprising that most of the information collected concerns people who currently pursue an academic career. Collecting information about PhD students that decided to join the public or private sector is more difficult.

<i>Profession</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>%</i>
Academics	156	45,09%
PhD students	125	36,13%
Job Market	2	0,58%
Post-Doc	28	8,09%
Private or public sector	35	10,12%
<i>Total</i>	346	100%

Table 1: Alumni's current professional situation

As one may observe from the table above, a majority of participants chose a career in academia. Among them, we are able to identify 28 former candidates who are now post-doc researchers. This number increased since the last survey realized two years ago (they were only 13 two years ago, representing only 4,3% of the total sample). Among those who meanwhile completed their PhD, a majority chose to remain in the academia. The majority of the participants (45,09%) are now academics, namely they obtained a position of professor, assistant professor in various universities, or they work as a researcher in a research institute (such as CNRS and INRA in France, or CNR in Italy etc.). Another significant part of our sample currently are PhD students. Approximately 10% of the participants obtained a position outside the academic area and then, are not involved anymore in any research activity. Among them, we find 2 former participants who respectively work in the French department of defense and at the International Labour Organization.

A vast majority of former candidates who became academia are now mainly working in European universities. Nevertheless, former candidates occupying a position in international universities can also be found. In France, for instance, former candidates work in the University of Lille 1, the University of Besançon, the University of Paris 2, the University of Paris 11, the University of Nice etc. At the European level, former candidates of ESNIE can be found in the University Pompeu Fabra (Spain), the Manchester Metropolitan University (UK), the University of Sienna (Italy), the Humboldt University (Germany), the Copenhagen Business School (Denmark), the University College London (UK), the University of Lausanne (Switzerland) etc. At the international level, the University of Las Americas Puebla (Mexico), the Northwestern University (USA), the HEC Montréal (Canada) etc. also count ex-candidates of ESNIE among their faculty members. These former participants, who chose

to pursue a career in the academia, make up a network of researchers working on various themes of neo-institutional economics and continue to contribute actively to this research paradigm.

The international dimension of former participants, made possible by ESNIE, is probably an important advantage for progress in research. This is shown in the table 2:

<i>Country</i>	<i>Former participants</i>		<i>Academics</i>	
		<i>%</i>		<i>%</i>
France	75	22.73%	27	20.77%
Germany	42	12.73%	10	7.69%
United Kingdom	1	0.3%		
Other Western European countries ¹	60	18.19%	26	20%
Eastern European countries and Russia ²	53	16.06%	24	18.46%
North and South America ³	41	12.42%	17	13.08%
Others ⁴	58	17.57%	26	20%
<i>Total</i>	330	100%	130	100%

Table 2: The geographical situation of former participants

In terms of scientific output, former participants published in internationally prestigious journals, such as the *Journal of Law Economics and Organization*, *Games and Economic Behaviour*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of Public Economic Theory*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, *Journal of Economic Surveys*, *European Journal of Law and Economics*, *Recherches Economiques de Louvain*, *Review of Industrial Organization*, *Utilities Policy*, *Energy Policy*, *Ecological Economics*, *Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics* etc. Obviously, former participants also highly contributed to journals intended for a national audience. For instance, former French participants have seen their work published in *Annales d'Economie et de Statistiques* (Annals of Economy and Statistics), *Revue Economique* ([French] Economic Review), *la Revue d'Economie Industrielle* (Review of Industrial Economics) etc.

The multidisciplinary dimension of former participants can also be seen through their publications in journals stemming from other scientific disciplines whose subject matters may be fruitfully analyzed through the lens of neo-institutional economics. Among such journals, we will cite the following ones: *Revue d'Intelligence Artificielle* (Review of Artificial Intelligence), *International Journal of Human Resource Management*, *International Journal of Law and Information Technology*, *Journal of Management and Finance*, *Organizational Studies Journal*, *Journal on Chain and Network Science*, *International Journal of Education Research*, *Management Accounting Journal*, *Research in Economic Anthropology* etc. Furthermore, we may note that former participants also contributed to books and edited volumes (such as the *Handbook of Economic Inequality*).

To better apprehend the diversity of research themes promoted by ESNIE, we will focus on 17 of the most active researchers who have participated in ESNIE⁵. The following table summarizes the geographic location of these former participants:

¹ (Except France, Germany and United Kingdom): Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Portugal.

² The Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Ukraine.

³ Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru, Venezuela, the United States of America.

⁴ Australia, Africa, Asia, Middle East.

<i>Place</i>	<i>Number of Alumni</i>
Paris	2
France but Paris	2
Germany	1
United Kingdom	3
United States	3
Spain	2
Canada	1
Australia	1
Russia	1

Table 4: The geographic location of the most active researchers having participated in ESNIE

Research undertaken by these young scholars contributes essentially to the themes developed by neo-institutional economics. Specifically, these young scholars work on law and economics, the analysis of institutions, economics of contracts, economics of organizations, political economy etc. In terms of output, these 17 former participants published a total of 113 articles in peer-reviewed journals. This amounts to an average of 6.64 publications per scholar⁶.

Again, the diversity of the journals in which works by these young scholars were published bears witness to the multidisciplinary approach of ESNIE and the wide breadth of themes promoted by the school.

⁵ These active researchers are Chong Eshien, Desai Sameeksha, Drugov Mikhail, Enikolopov Ruben, Faravelli Marco, Fremeth Adam, Galbiati Roberto, Hogendorn Christian, Huet Freddy, Jensen Paul, Neumann Anne, Obidzinski Marie, Serra Danila, Teksoz Utku, Vlassopoulos Michael, Zanarone Giorgio.

⁶ *Academy of Management Perspectives, Agricultural Economics, American Economic Review, Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics, Applied Economics Letters, Australasian Agribusiness Review, Australian Economic Papers, Australian Economic Review, Australian Intellectual Property Journal, B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics (Topics), Book, Book Chapter, Cambridge Journal of Economics, CESifo Economic Studies, Economica, Economics and Psychology, Economic Journal, Economics Letters, Economics of Transition, Economic Systems, Energy Economics, Energy Journal, Energy Policy, European Business Organization Law Review, Experimental Economics, Federal Circuit Bar Journal, Federal Law Review, Fiscal Studies, Games and Economic Behavior, Health Economics, Industrial and Corporate Change, Intellectual Property Quarterly, International Economics and Economic Policy, International Journal of Forecasting, International Review of Law and Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Surveys, Journal of Industrial Economics, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of Insurance and Risk Management, Journal of Law, Economics and Organizations, Journal of Policy Modeling, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Regulatory Economics, Journal of Theoretical Economics, Louvain Economic Review, Managerial and Decision Economics, Network Industries Quarterly, Oxford Economic Papers, Oxford Review of Economic Policy, Portuguese Economic Journal, Public Choice, Public Performance and Management Review, Rand Journal of Economics, Recherches Economiques de Louvain, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Industrial Organization, Review of Marketing and Agricultural Economics, Review of Network Economics, Revue d'Economie Industrielle, Revue Economique, Rivista di Politica Economica, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Small Business Economics, Social Choice and Welfare, Strategic Management Journal, Strategic Organization, Supreme Court Economic Journal, The Economic Record, The Economics of Transition, Transportation Research Record, Wirtschaftsdienst, Zeitschrift für Energiewirtschaft.*