

Newsletter

Dear all MiM students,

The trees "marronnier" (chestnut) in the Luxembourg garden are going to welcome their green leaves around March 20, the first day of spring, and we will soon be warmed up by the sun, the longer days and the newsletters.

This is the first time MiM Programs have launched the newsletter. Its purpose is to share the extra-curricular activities among students, to help students stay close together and more importantly to leave a small mark in their hearts during their study in CNAM-Paris.

The 1st edition is written by the MiM team. From the 2nd issue, most of the articles will be contributed by the MiM students. You may send us stories about your trips to other European countries, your suggestions to organize your journeys, your funny moments during your classes, of course your photos and so much more beyond our imagination. Just send your writings to us and we will help to publish them in the newsletters. We are waiting for the email from you to: kim-anh.le@cnam.fr

This month, we start with the "Galette des Rois" and the visit to OECD.

Enjoy your reading!





After the Christmas Holidays, we were so eager to come back to school to celebrate **the "Galette des Rois"** (French King Cake) which was held on January 12, 2011. Most of M21 students, Professor Patrick Thoreau, Mr. Sebastien Leoncel, IIM's general secretary and MiM team (Tra, Colette and Kim Anh) attended this event.

We really appreciated the presentations of Melanie Garcia and Franck Destouches, understood the history of this traditional festival and of course "practiced" right away to choose our King and Queen.



By eating the "galette", we discovered our luck inside the cake. Each "galette" contained only one luck and if you had the luck, you became King or Queen. You were then entitled to choose your partner among other participants. Look at Sunny, after round two of "galette" eating, she successfully came to her throne.





Franck was so lucky with three times becoming the King. We were wondering whether he had any magical secret to "win" the hearts of two beautiful Queens: Tracy and Sunny. It seemed however, he kept the secret for himself since no-one could be the King again. What a "self-fish" guy he was! Not all the time, Franck could be called "His Majesty" though.



It was a pity that the students of M22 and M23 could not join us. Next time, you all should not miss any MiM's activities. We are sure that there will be many more laughs, much more fun and many more remarkable scenes. WAIT, PREPARE and COUNT DOWN from now!!!

On February 08, 2011, the M22 students accompanied by Colette and Kim Anh visited the Organization for Business Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris.





It was the first time, the MiM students could come to see this international organization, thanks to Professor Peter Kearns, who has been working there. We were greeted warmly and guided to take a look around OECD. We learnt about its history and its mission for the world's sustainable development.

We also attended a seminar with the students from another engineering school where we learned the role of delegations inside OECD, the work of Biotechnology Unit and the strategic programs of OECD towards non-member countries such as China and Southest Asia. It was really an excellent opportunity for M22 students to open their minds on their major as "Total Quality and Sustainable Development".



We do hope that, other groups will in turn have chances to visit the companies and experience more besides their paper work and knowledge from their courses.

That's all for the 1st edition. We welcome you students to send us your writings for the 2nd issue from now on, especially those who participated in the International Food Festival: Franck Destouches, Mamia Shapakidze, Truong Diep Huong, Truong Nguyet Anh,... We also know that during the Spring break holidays, many students visited other European countries and we cannot wait to hear your stories.