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## Press release

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### **BUILDING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION: BOUYGUES CONSTRUCTION HELPS TO UPGRADE AND MODERNISE SCHOOL BUILDINGS**

**Back to school! It's that time again, and a good opportunity for Bouygues Construction to renew its commitment to designing and building high-quality, innovative and sustainable educational facilities. Addressing changes in climate, demographics and teaching methods, the Group provides a range of practical solutions to the growing challenges of modernising school buildings. Through its widely recognised expertise in the construction and refurbishment of school buildings, Bouygues Construction is making an active contribution to the educational estate for the benefits of students, teachers and other personnel, and communities.**

**In France alone, the Group has been responsible for building or renovating more than 500 school premises in the past fifty years, a tally that includes some 130 primary school complexes, 220 middle schools and 150 high schools. In other countries, a further 400 projects have either been completed or are currently underway.**

#### **Meeting expectations: from refurbishment to new build**

Education ranks among the top three priorities for French citizens, and Bouygues Construction, for its part, is committed to meeting the specific needs of each institution: renovation, new construction or extension, whether permanent or temporary. The Group's teams take account of the particular requirements relevant in each case - such as sites remaining in use, challenging schedules, specific technical issues, etc. - to deliver educational facilities that combine quality of use, energy efficiency (particularly thermal comfort) and a lower carbon footprint.

#### **A broad-based vision**

Numerous design considerations are factored into the planning process: flow management, safety, modularity of teaching zones (to accommodate small groups, for instance), digitalisation and mixed use of spaces (e.g. to allow school premises to be used by outside organisations at weekends).

Employing this approach means offering bespoke, effective solutions that are tailored to educational requirements.

When it comes to addressing the issue of climate change, the Group focuses its efforts on building resilient structures (taking account of the geographical characteristics of each project) with low energy consumption and incorporating sustainable, bio-based or recycled materials.

Developed in order to satisfy customers' needs for adaptability and flexibility, off-site production and modular construction (reusable on another site) provide key benefits in reducing disruption and on-site construction time.



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**Listening closely to users**



In conjunction with Bouygues Construction’s Education business line, local teams work in partnership with municipalities and regional education authorities to create schools equipped for the teaching of tomorrow. Beyond the physical structures themselves, Bouygues Construction uses a collaborative process designed to foster co-construction, called City.Play. Students, teachers and school personnel are invited to take part in dedicated workshops, where they share their concerns and expectations from the outset of each project.

**Projects delivered:**

	<p><b><u>Joliot-Curie middle school, Bagneux, France</u></b>          For the Hauts-de-Seine Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 400 students</li> <li>• 157 reusable timber modules - offsite construction</li> <li>• RE2020, 2031 target</li> </ul> <p><i>Architect: Atelier B2A</i></p>
	<p><b><u>International School campus, Marseille, France</u></b>          For the Bouches-du-Rhône Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 200 students from primary to post-secondary</li> <li>• Thalassothermal energy and adiabatic cooling</li> <li>• Low-carbon concrete, bio-sourced and recycled materials</li> </ul> <p><i>Architects: Rudy Ricciotti and Carta - Reichen et Robert Associés</i></p>
	<p><b><u>Chavannes school complex, Cossonay, Switzerland</u></b>          For Cossonay municipality and local partners (ASICOVV, ASPIC, Vernand Foundation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9 primary school classrooms, a centre for out-of-school activities and an inter-municipal swimming pool</li> <li>• Modular operation</li> <li>• Rooftop photovoltaic panels</li> </ul> <p><i>Architect: Zimmermann Architectes SA</i></p>

**Projects underway:**

	<p><b><u>Saint-Avold middle school, France</u></b>          For SPL Moselle Construction Durable on behalf of the Moselle Department - Handover: October 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle school for 550 students</li> <li>• Positive-energy building (BEPOS): rooftop photovoltaic panels, district heating</li> <li>• Timber frame, roof and cladding</li> </ul>
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	<i>Architects: Busato Architecture and BMT Associés</i>
	<p><b>Primary school in the Joliot-Curie school complex, Palaiseau, France</b></p> <p>For Palaiseau Council - Handover: September 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy retrofit</li> <li>• Prefabricated timber-frame walls</li> <li>• Parietodynamic windows</li> <li>• Timber-straw facade with raw-earth bricks</li> </ul> <p><i>Architect: Enia architectes</i></p>
	<p><b>St John's CE Academy, Grove, United Kingdom</b></p> <p>For Vale Academy Trust - Handover: February 2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 600 students, nursery through to secondary</li> <li>• Timber frame and cladding</li> <li>• Off-site construction</li> </ul> <p><i>Architect: Stride Treglow</i></p>

## ABOUT BOUYGUES CONSTRUCTION

Bouygues Construction employs 35,600 people around the world, all driven by the greatest and most exciting responsibility of all - building for life. In more than 50 countries, we improve daily life for millions of people by creating structures and buildings that serve life and address all our needs: shelter, healthcare, education, work, entertainment, travel, access to low-carbon energy, etc. At every stage of a project, we put all our expertise and our experience into designing, renovating and building differently so that we can meet the critical imperatives of the environmental transition and achieve construction that is sustainable and less resource-intensive. Every day, we make sure that everyone is safe, and that human rights and ethical standards are respected. Committed to strong values, the men and women of Bouygues Construction work passionately alongside their customers and partners so that our footprint becomes ever more positive. In 2024, Bouygues Construction generated sales of €10.3 billion.

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