Visit the Palace of Iéna

Come and acquaint yourself with the Palais d’Iéna – one of the architect Auguste Perret’s masterpieces, built in 1939 and now the head office of the Economic, Social and Environmental Council (ESEC), the Republic’s third constitutional assembly – and meet the people who work there on a daily basis.

For a first preview, discover our virtual tour:

The ESEC organises visits for groups of at least 10 people. However, anyone who wishes to come on their own can be incorporated into a group.

Visits are organised from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (subject to availability of guides and ESEC activity) except on weekends and public holidays. Visits are free of charge and led by an ESEC councillor or staff member.

External guides are provided for visits in English, German, Spanish and Italian.

Visits last an average of between one and a half and two hours.

They are not organised during the summer period from 14 July to 31 August or during the end-of-year festive period between Christmas and New Year’s Day.

Due to security standards implemented at all public institutions, adults must show an identity document (national identity card or passport) in order to enter the Palais.

Individuals supervising minors without identity documents, as well as association managers, must provide nominative lists of all visitors.

Lunch at the ESEC

There are various restaurant service options for you to choose from.

- The Trocadéro restaurant, opening onto the gardens of the same name, subject to availability
- The self-service cafeteria, Mondays and Fridays only
- A sandwich break with drinks can also be provided for school groups
- Visits can start or end with light refreshments: viennoiseries in the morning and sweet petit-fours in the afternoon

If one of these offers interests you, please specify which one in the reservation form below.