

Finally, the area is also responsible for: managing personnel working at CEB headquarters; the administrative management of staff at schools and attached to educational and support services; budget implementation and economic management; implementation of the budget; economic management; legal services; information office and points; and organising Information and Communication Technologies.

## Barcelona Education Consortium in figures, 2015-2016 academic year

### Expenditure on education in Barcelona managed by the consortium (2013)

	euros
<b>Total</b>	<b>770,335,523</b>
From the consortium budget	130,297,864
From the Education Ministry budget	
Teachers and other staff	640,057,659
<b>Financing</b>	
From the Education Ministry budget	702,150,576
From Barcelona City Council	65,979,276
Other contributions	2,225,675

**The consortium manages resources to the value of 800 million euros per year**

#### 289 state schools

5	nursery schools
163	primary schools
3	primary-secondary schools
72	secondary schools
8	special education schools
6	language teaching schools
5	art schools
27	adult education schools

#### 14 education services

#### 9.584 professionals

8,284	teachers
1,300	administrative and service staff (PAS) and other staff

#### 140,000 pupils at state schools managed

**Barcelona Education Consortium manages 289 centres of education and 9.584 employees**



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## Barcelona Education Consortium

### An organisation at the service of the education community



- Planning for balanced schooling
- Itineraries: primary secondary coordination. Schools Institute
- School meals grants
- Reference centres for professional training. Promoting lifelong learning. Adult education
- Attention to diversity
- Educational innovation and ICT Support for computer assisted learning
- Guidance and advice during transitions
- New buildings, maintenance and improvements to existing buildings
- Prevention of truancy
- Plans for school autonomy
- Programmes aimed at improving results: success, libraries, foreign languages...
- Support for management teams

## What is Barcelona Education Consortium?

### Cooperation between the Government of Catalonia and Barcelona City Council

Barcelona Education Consortium is the body set up jointly by the Government of Catalonia and Barcelona City Council de Barcelona to enable these authorities to manage education in the city of Barcelona.

The consortium was established under the aegis of the Municipal Charter, which was unanimously approved by all political groups represented in the Catalan Parliament in 1988.

### Shared government and integrated management aimed at improving education

The consortium's mission is to advance towards integrated management of education in the city under the principles of proximity and efficacy, with the overall aim of improving levels of excellence and equity. The consortium is committed to education that is inclusive, embraces innovation and promotes networking by increasing autonomy and optimising public resources. Barcelona Education Consortium is the sole interlocutor with state and subsidised private schools in the city, and the one-stop administrative window to attend to the needs of families as regards education.

One of the major objectives set out in Barcelona Municipal Charter is that of strengthening the city's autonomy in order to provide an administration that is more efficient and closer to citizens

Barcelona Education Consortium connects with the city's innovative educational traditions whilst also working for more efficient public management

### A gradual process of taking over powers

**1998** Barcelona Education Consortium is established in accordance with the Law on Barcelona Municipal Charter.

**2002** Barcelona Education Consortium is constituted on February 5, and its Statutes are approved. These Statutes define the new body as a legal entity in its own right and, therefore, fully capable of taking action to fulfil the mission for which it was set up. There now begins a period of institutional development, a process in which the consortium gradually takes on powers with the final objective of making it the city's sole administrative body for education.

**2005** The consortium takes on powers regarding planning (provision and distribution of schools), schooling, education services and educational innovation.

**2009** The consortium takes on powers to manage all centres of education in the city: infant, primary and compulsory secondary education, baccalaureate, vocational training, special education and adult education, as well as services at subsidised and private schools. Coordination procedures are established in cooperation with the Education Inspection Service.

The consortium aims to provide a flexible, efficient local tool at the service of the entire education community

## Barcelona Education Consortium: powers

The fact that Barcelona Education Consortium has gradually taken on its powers has helped to generate a dynamic process in which the steady increase in responsibilities runs parallel to the development of the consortium's own operational model.

Under the provisions of the Law on Barcelona Municipal Charter and the Law on Education in Catalonia (2009), Barcelona Education Consortium exercises the following functions:

- Planning and territorial distribution of non-university centres of education.
- The creation of state education centres.
- Management of all state primary, compulsory and post-compulsory, special education and adult training centres.
- Planning and management of non-university education provisions.
- Management of educational innovation programmes.
- Management of Initial Professional Qualification Programmes (PQP).
- Construction of new schools and works to reform, extend and improve state education centres (with the exception of works financed by the Government of Catalonia through the Catalan Finance Institute, which are carried out by GISA).
- Construction of new nursery schools.
- Conservation and maintenance of buildings used as state education centres (powers exercised by delegation of Barcelona City Council and the Government of Catalonia, whilst conserving the managerial independence of secondary schools).
- Complementary and extra-curricular education.
- Establishment and management of teaching and resource centres, and teacher support, psychopedagogical and training services.
- Vigilance to ensure compliance with compulsory schooling.
- Regulation and management of transport, meals and other schools services.
- Drafting and application of regulations to effectively apply all the powers transferred to the consortium.
- Coordination with the schools inspectorate service.
- Liaison with subsidised private schools.

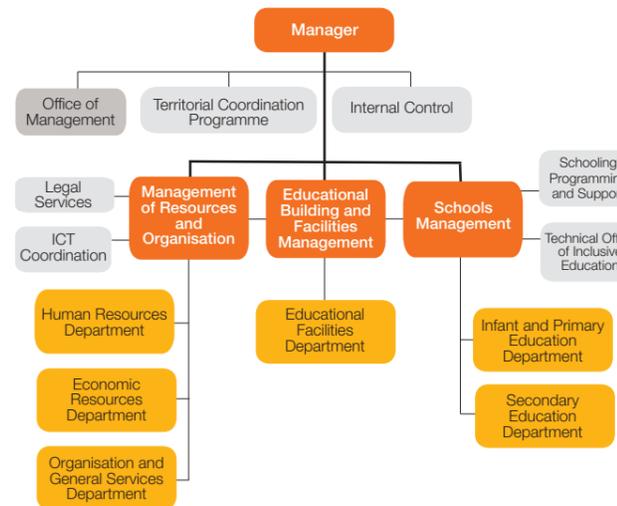


## Government and organisation

### Governing Board

The Governing Board of Barcelona Education Consortium is its highest governing body and is formed by: the presidency and vice-presidency, five members representing the Catalan Government and three members representing Barcelona City Council. The president of the Governing Board is designated by the Ministry of Education, whilst the vice-presidency is occupied by a person appointed by the Mayor of Barcelona.

### Organisation chart



### Organic structure

#### Management

The Office of Management is the Consortium's executive body. It is responsible for implementing agreements reached by the Governing Board and for ensuring compliance with measures established by the President, the regulations governing the public function and legislation relating to the education system. The Office represents the Consortium administratively and liaises with the public authorities, as well as with institutions, organisations and private individuals.

#### Schools management

- Primary
- Secondary
- Educational Facilities
- Technical Office for Planning and Schooling Support

This department is responsible for running the network of state schools in the city and for providing support and advice to the head teachers of these schools in their work of managing their centres and drafting plans for improvements. In accordance with Resources and Organisation and, if appropriate, with the approval of the Education Ministry, the department also establishes the criteria for assigning human and material resources to schools.

Moreover, Schools Management is also responsible for: completing formalities related to grant and private schools: authorisations, the opening and closure of schools and private music and dance academies; and managing the delegate payment of teaching staff at centres operating under agreements with the Consortium.

This department also plans state education facilities and manages schooling processes in the city, as regards both the ordinary process and the ongoing enrolment process that continues throughout the rest of the year. It proposes the territorial distribution of state education centres and manages the introduction and/or termination of educational activities at them. Moreover, in order to help ensure that all pupils are effectively schooled, it promotes actions against school truancy.

The department detects needs and adapts the resources available to the city in order to improve learning opportunities for all pupils in compulsory education. It attends to the needs of families and pupils in their relations with schools and, if necessary, provides school transport and dining services.

Schools Management also coordinates education services, interdisciplinary teams that provide teachers, pupils and their families at schools with support and advice. Moreover, it promotes actions aimed at encouraging innovation and helps to improve educational quality at schools.

This department is also responsible for the construction of new schools, and for reforms, extensions and improvements at existing centres, as well as ensuring appropriate maintenance of school buildings and managing cleaning services, supplies, communications and furniture at them.

### Management of resources and organisations

- Human Resources Department
- Economic Resources Department
- General Organisation and Services
- Legal Services
- Coordination of Information and Communication Technologies

This management area is responsible for managing the CEB's human, economic and technological resources and general services, as well as providing legal and organisational services.

The area coordinates budget, investment and long-term planning activities, establishing criteria and supervising budget management, accounting and treasury, as well as establishing cost control systems. In short, it works to ensure that the Consortium's resources are deployed efficiently.

The area draws up human resources policy and establishes the criteria for managing personnel attached to the Consortium. It manages labour relations and supervises activities concerned with health and safety in the workplace.

It also manages heritage and liaises with intervention and control bodies.

The area supervises information systems and establishes criteria with regard to information and communication technologies.

It manages the administration, internal organisation, general services, advisory and information services and procedures and supervises management of Consortium resources, promoting modernisation initiatives and projects aimed at enhancing quality.

It supervises the Consortium's legal services and ensures coordination with the legal services departments of the Catalan Government and Barcelona City Council, as well as coordinating projects to draft legislation, instructions and internal communiqués.