

## **ACCOMMODATION**

EM Strasbourg Business School has a limited number of rooms in University of Strasbourg student residencies that will be attributed to exchange students on a first come, first served basis via an **online housing application in June**. We will send more information about the application procedure as well as the types of housing to closer that date.

Please note that due to the limited number of rooms in university residencies (CROUS), we cannot guarantee housing for all our exchange students. We therefore encourage students to apply straight at the beginning of the housing application. Furthermore, you might also consider other housing options. Please take a look at the attached Housing Guide to get an idea about the different housing options available to exchange students in Strasbourg.

### **Housing Insurance**

It is compulsory to insure your home if you are a tenant (even in a university dorm) – all tenants are liable for damage to property including the common spaces of an apartment building.

Both the civil liability insurance and the housing insurance can be arranged with a French bank or with either [MGEL](#) or [LMDE](#).

### **Civil Liability Insurance (*responsabilité civile*)**

This is a third party compulsory insurance that covers any accidental damage that you, as a private person, may cause to other persons or to their property. Most often this is included in the housing insurance policy but please check. It is compulsory to have it when renting an apartment or a room in a university dorm.

### **Taxe d'habitation (housing tax)**

According to French law, students renting a private accommodation for any period which includes January 1st are automatically liable to pay the *taxe d'habitation* (housing tax).

Please check with your landlord whether the housing tax is already included in your rent. If this is not the case, you will receive a letter from the French Tax Office in your home country. Please make sure to respect the payment deadline. Otherwise, you will be charged with extra fees. In case you get contacted by the French Tax office, you have the right to appeal against the tax notice. The French Tax office may adjust the amount you need to pay.

The housing tax will not be requested for student dormitories.