

Activity of the French diplomatic network abroad

Role and missions of embassies, consulates and permanent representations

DIPLOMATIC NETWORK

Bilateral relations

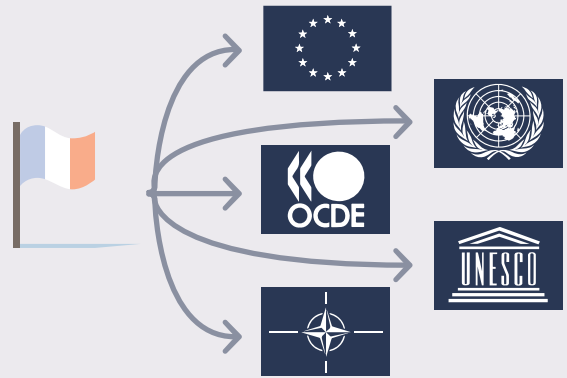


EMBASSIES



CONSULATES AND
CONSULAR SECTIONS

Multilateral relations



PERMANENT REPRESENTATIONS

MISSIONS



Represent France,
defend and further
its interests in all fields



Further world peace,
security and
human rights



Help organize
globalization for a
sustainable and balanced
development



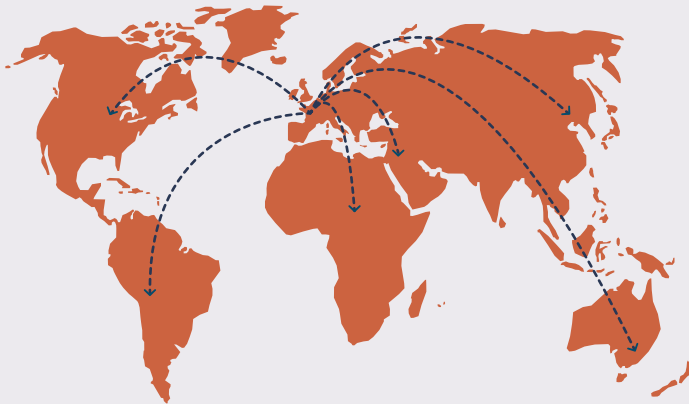
Administer and
protect French
residents abroad

AREAS OF FOCUS OF DIPLOMATIC ACTION



POLITICAL DIPLOMACY

defend France's interests and positions



DOMAINS CONCERNED

defence and security,
human rights, economic
diplomacy, development,
cultural diplomacy,
Francophony,
etc.

- > Participate in the framing and conduct of French foreign policy
- > Represent France in international organizations
- > Defend France's interests within the European Union



ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY

defend the interests of France and of its businesses

FURTHER

world corporate
development in
support of
employment
in France

DEFEND

our interests in the
framing of European
and international
rules

HIGHLIGHT

France's
attractiveness
for foreign
businesses and
investment

693

foreign investment decisions that
generated 25 908 jobs in France
in 2012

30 000

French companies were established
in foreign markets in 2012



DIPLOMACY OF INFLUENCE

promote French culture and Francophony,
and contribute to development



PROMOTION AREAS



Defending
Francophony



Disseminating
French culture



COOPERATION AREAS



science



culture



technology



universities

French ranks **2nd**
as the most widely taught language
in the world, after English

285 000
foreign students are studying
in France



CONSULAR SERVICES available for French and foreign nationals

FRENCH NATIONALS ABROAD



Administrative procedures (Civil status, notarial services, elections, issuance of identity cards and passports, etc.)

Social questions (support for French nationals in difficulty, social assistance, scholarships)

Protection (safety plans, support for detained persons, protection of individual rights)

51 309

marriages were pronounced
abroad in 2012

FOREIGN NATIONALS WANTING TO COME TO FRANCE



Issuance of visas to enter France
and the Schengen Area



2 311 260

visas were issued in 2012