

The French Ministry of Foreign Affairs : Facts & Figures

An Extensive Diplomatic Network

Serving our Bilateral Relations

- 163 Embassies
- 4 Diplomatic Branch Offices

Within the Multilateral Organizations

- 16 Permanent Representations
- 25 dedicated Ambassadors

The French Consular Network

- 92 Consulates General and Consulates
- 135 embassy consular sections
- Nearly 500 honorary consuls

An administration to organize French presence abroad

Budget

- 4598 € billions in 2009
- 4917 € billions in 2010
- 5099 € billions in 2011
- 5029 € billions in 2012

Staff

- Locally recruited staff under local laws : 5053
- Tenured and open-ended contractual agents in the central administration : 3099
- Tenured and open-ended contractual agents abroad : 2905
- Fixed-term contractual agents (including international volunteers and temporary staff) : 3017
- Military Staff (not from the Defense budget) : 724
- Total : 14798 staff and agents

A significant commitment by France with regards to development aid

- 4th largest contributor in the world to Official Development Assistance (ODA) by volume
- Amount of French development assistance in 2012 : 9354 billions €

- 1st contributor to UNITAID
- 2nd contributor to the European Development Fund
- 2nd largest contributor in the world to the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria
- 5th largest contributor in the world to the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI).

Cooperation and Cultural Action Network to support French Culture abroad

- 6000 people distributed throughout the 161 Cooperation and Cultural services
- 96 French Institutes
- 445 subsidized Alliances Françaises
- 182 zones for Campus France
- 27 French research institutes
- 160 French archaeological missions abroad
- 12500 decentralized cooperation projects – in 2011, 350 projects have been cofinanced by the MFA

Actions Conducted by the Cooperation and Cultural Network

- 288544 students enrolled in 2011-2012, 16000 of whom benefiting from a government scholarship – France hosts the fourth largest number of foreign students
- 900000 students in French Institutes and Alliances Françaises
- 470 master's degree and doctoral students each year receive Eiffel scholarships
- 310000 students in the 480 schools with French program in 2011-2012
- Eiffel excellence scholarships granted each year to 470 students (for master's degrees and PhD)
- 1700000 students in bilingual sections in national education systems
- 50000 artistic events each year

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