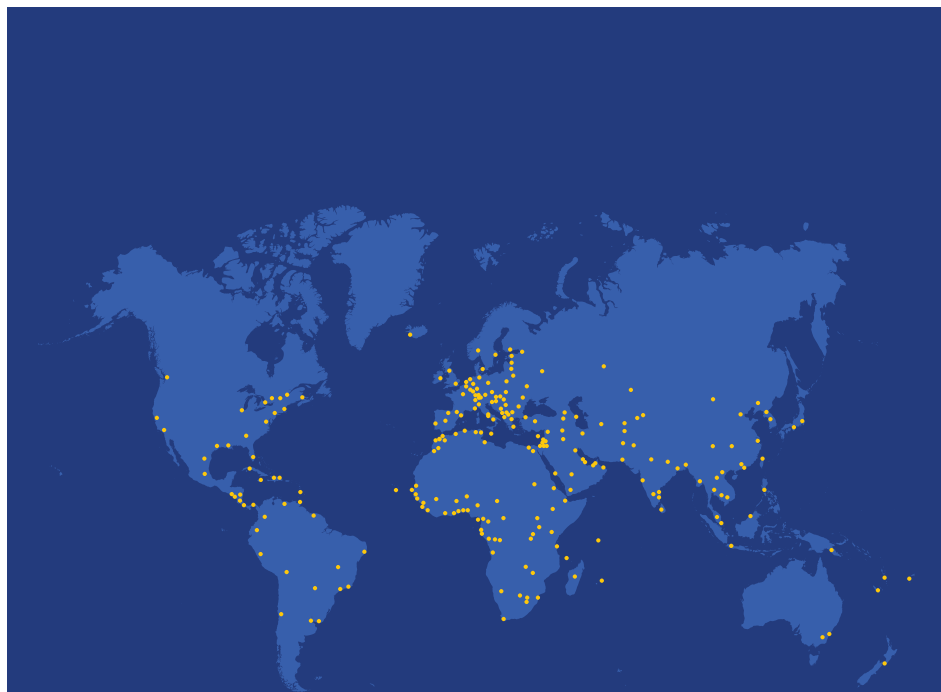




**MINISTÈRE
DE L'EUROPE
ET DES AFFAIRES
ÉTRANGÈRES**

*Liberté
Égalité
Fraternité*



MINISTRY FOR EUROPE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN BRIEF

The Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs represents, defends and promotes the interests of France and French nationals in all areas in foreign countries and international organizations.

WORKING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

- To achieve **peace**, **security** and respect for **human rights**.
- To promote **French businesses** abroad in foreign markets and France's **appeal** abroad.
- To help organize **globalization** which ensures balanced and **sustainable development** in the world.
- To ensure the presence of France's **ideas**, **language** and **culture** while advocating cultural diversity.
- To manage **security** and **administrative services for French nationals** abroad.

The Ministry's budget in 2023 is €5.5 billion, representing only 1% of the overall government budget. Half of this budget is devoted to international contributions and action. Some emblematic examples of its use:

€300
million

for peacekeeping operations

€700
million

for some 80 international organizations, agreements and programmes

€391
million

for French nationals abroad and consular affairs

Nearly
€374
million

for the European Development Fund

FRANCE, THE THIRD-LARGEST DIPLOMATIC NETWORK IN THE WORLD

The Ministry is supported by a large network of embassies and consulates general abroad, which work in constant collaboration with the central administration in Paris and Nantes. France is the third most represented country in the world, after China and the United States.

163
embassies

16
permanent
representations

92
consulates general

118
Instituts français

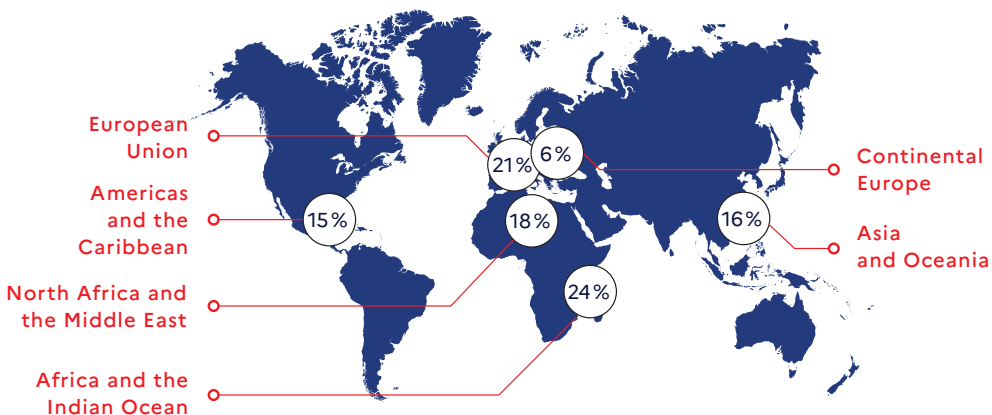
830
Alliances
françaises

566
schools under
the Agency for
French Education
Abroad (AEFE)

3 OUT OF 4 STAFF MEMBERS ABROAD

The Ministry is supported by 13,719 diverse, adaptable and mobile staff, 74% of which work abroad.

Breakdown by geographical area (December 2022)



○ 3% of staff are posted in permanent representations.

**Equality is a
priority
for the Ministry**

It received the AFNOR label for gender equality in the workplace thanks to its proactive policy.

SUPPORTING FRENCH NATIONALS ABROAD

The Ministry oversees the administrative services and protection of French nationals abroad, whether they are residents or travellers.

The diplomatic and consular services act as both a town hall and a prefecture. They are authorized to issue official identification and civil registry documents. They are also responsible for organizing certain elections.

The Crisis and Support Centre (CDCS) coordinates France's action when there are crises abroad involving French nationals and also its emergency humanitarian action. It has developed two services to protect travellers:

- The **Travellers' advice** page on diplomatie.gouv.fr/en provides a clear view of the security and health situation in each country.
- The **Fil d'Ariane** service sends security notifications and advice to French nationals travelling abroad.

The Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs is now present on several platforms in various languages:



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