

PROJECTS AND MEMBERSHIP

- Carry on the exchanges between the province establishments.
- Set up contacts and terms of scholarships for young French-speaking Armenian students.

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ARMENIA



Situated in the Caucasus, Armenia covers an area of 29800 square kms with a population of 3 million people.

In the course of its long history, (3000 years), the Armenian nation, in turn of occupied and independent, forged its identity around its church and its language. The genocide of 1915 wiped out almost all the Armenians of the Ottoman Empire and forced the survivors to scatter throughout the world, including France, giving birth to an important diaspora.

The Armenian of the Caucasus have recreated a State which recovered its independence in 1991 after the break of the Soviet Union and which is the Armenia of today.

AMITIE ET ECHANGES FRANCO-ARMENIENS



Pupils at French Center Angela Vanessian in Idjevan (northeast of Armenia)

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FRANCO-ARMENIAN FRIENDSHIP AND EXCHANGES

The aim of the association is to create cultural and friendly links between young Armenians studying French and French people in order to support French speakers and uphold the warmth between France and Armenia and spread the knowledge of Armenian culture in France.

Your membership and active participation will strengthen the motivation of this distant Francophiles who cannot access the same opportunities as our children on a material and educational level.

With your help we will find the necessary finance to support young Armenians in their studies.

The Achievements of the Association :

Help to Armenia: The sending of teaching material and literature for French studies, correspondence between young people, scholarships.

Regular visits from delegates of the association to assess needs.

In France : social gatherings, exhibitions, the welcoming of young Armenians in 2007 (The Year of Armenia in France), students and French teachers in 2009, 2011, 2012 and 2014. Participation each year to the “International Solidarity Week” since 2011.

Scholarships offered to Idjevan University students studying French language and having economic difficulties.

THE TEACHING OF FRENCH

Armenia is a Francophile country which possesses an active French-speaking elite.

The French University in Armenia, founded in 2000, the largest French establishment outside the Hexagon, forms the multi-lingual framework in the fields of law, management and international marketing. The State University as well as the “Institute Briousov” and the “Alliance Française” maintain the highest level of French culture.

Armenia was honored in 2006-2007 under the auspices of the Year of Armenia in France. In the year 2012, Armenia became a permanent member of the OIF (Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie). During the same year, Erevan was chosen as world book capital by UNESCO. Erevan, its capital, hosted in 2018 the "Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie (OIF)" summit.

In cooperation with the twinning of French and Armenian towns and to support French speakers the first Franco-Armenian foundation of the decentralized cooperation took place in Armenia in 2010 and in France, in 2013.

The teaching of French is usually from 2 to 3 hours per week in secondary schools. The Armenian Minister of Education opted recently for a more balanced choice between French and English, which encourages us in our steps towards French speaking.

THE HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

The cultural links between Gif-sur-Yvette (Essonne) and independent Armenia were rapidly formed. Young Armenians from Gumri (the town destroyed by the earthquake of 1988) and Erevan, the capital, regularly corresponded for many years with pupils of Juliette Adam's college.

We are currently planning to encourage all activities connected with French speaking (gatherings, exhibitions, research) with the secondary school at Verin Ptghni (in the outer suburbs of Erevan) and the University of Idjevan (in the north-east of Armenia).

We would like to involve you in this outburst of friendship towards young Armenians who make France alive in Armenia, in bringing to them material help in their studies.

Give us your support! Come on board!