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Campus France

- The French national agency for the promotion of higher education, international student services, and international mobility
- Campus France operates under the supervision of the French ministries of Europe and Foreign Affairs and of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.
- It cooperates closely with French higher education institutions and their related associations and conferences.





Campus France - Missions

With the overall goal of raising France's visibility among students, Campus France has the following missions:

- To promote and market French higher education worldwide
- To coordinate services for international students and scholars (payment of scholarship, assistance for housing, etc.)
- To manage international mobility programs for students, scholars, and researchers



Campus France - Network

Campus France HQ manages a network of 256 Campus France offices in 123 countries

- To help international students choose a study program and deal with administrative requirements
- To promote French HE towards local universities,
 Stakeholders and to organize events in host countries





Campus France - Key figures

4,600,000

international exchange students (UNESCO, 2015)

325,000

foreign students in France in 2016-2017 (MESRI, 2016)

220 people in France 500 people in the world

256 CAMPUS FRANCE OFFICES AND BRANCHES ACROSS 123 COUNTRIES

4 new countries

13 new offices and branches in 2017

120,000+

alumni on the France Alumni social network

+120%

50 EVENTS
DRIVEN BY
CAMPUS FRANCE

650,000

VISITORS ACROSS THE WORLD

30,000 MANAGED MOBILITY PROGRAMS, OF WHICH:

18,400 STUDY AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

3,700 RESEARCHER MOBILITY PROGRAMS

7,700 SHORT-TERM MOBILITY PROGRAMS

ACROSS ALL SOCIAL NETWORKS,

1.5 MILLION

INDIVIDUALS FOLLOW CAMPUS FRANCE:

TWITTER 300,000+ LIKES 26.000+ FOLLOW

YOUTUBE

26,000+ FOLLOWERS 1,300+ SUBSCRIBERS

INSTAGRAM 7,000+ FOLLOWERS

LINKEDIN 5,000+ FOLLOWERS

352 CAMPUS FRANCE FORUM MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

26 NEW MEMBERS IN 2017

Managed funds:

IN 2017

€130 million

85 international conventions

8 EUROPEAN PROJECTS

MANAGED BY CAMPUS FRANCE, INCLUDING 2 AS LEADER



80 WEBSITES IN 32 LANGUAGES OVER 18 MILLION VISITS (+10%)



French HEIs actions

According to a survey lauched by CF in 2017 among 32 French HEIs:

- On average, 28 refugee students per HEIs (approx. 860 in total)
- They obtained the 'refugee statut' at the OFII (French Office for Immigration and Integration)
- 14 French HEIs offer French courses via the EU Online Linguistic Support
- The annual cost for French HEIs is evaluated from 35,000 to 100,000€
- In most cases (85%), these costs are covered by the HEIs

French HEIs are strongly committed to implement initiatives for helping refugee students, researchers and academic staff.

The number of refugee students in France does not decrease and HEIs ask



expore financial support and additional means of action.



French HEIs actions

MEnS Network (Migrants in French Higher Education):

- Launched in September 2017
- Gathers 40 French HEIs so far, all committed in welcoming refugees
- Objectives: carry out political actions to the French public authorities, to alert them on the situation of refugees/migrants and to propose concrete actions.
- Bottom-up approach: HEIs participating in this network implements initiatives for hosting/integrating refugees, often without financial support. They share good practices for a national coordination





French HEIs actions

MEnS Network- Recommendations:

- Reinforce political & financial support for the HEIs (lobbying to Ministries & HEIs, indicators for evaluation of HEIs, funds for hosting measures...)
- Bring logistical & social support to refugees (welcome desks, staff training, national coordination of the services OFII, CNOUS,-National Students services, creation of a specific scholarship, update Welcome refugee Map...)
- Remove linguistic obstacle & integrate (specific registration procedure, no admission fees, free language tests, open vocational training, facilitate recognition, create a specific degree, facilitate French learning...)
- Observe, follow & evaluate (national database, follow their educational path, develop information tools, publish reports/analysis...)



Scholarship programmes

Programme for Refugees from Syria:

- 2-year programme funded by the French Government
- Managed by Campus France
- Almost 380 Syrian granted in 2016 and 2017
- Bachelor or Masters or French courses (1 year training)

=> Specific section of the programme for Syrian Refugees based in Lebanon:

- € 1 Million
- Managed by Campus France and the French Embassy in Beirut
- Grants for study periods from 12 to 36 months.
- Grants to the French host institutions to support their involvement and their activities of mentoring and training.





French Government

PAUSE Programme: National programme of assistance for emergency hosting of scientists in exile.

- Launched in January 2016, by the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation & implemented by Collège de France
- € 2 Million programme, for 5 years
- Supported by French HE and Research institutions, economic actors as well as the civil society.
- 63 scientists from Middle East, Syria and Turkey, have already been granted, involving 50 French HE and Research institutions.





Other actors

- ENIC-NARIC, Centre International d'Etudes Pédagogiques (CIEP):
 Delivers certificates of recognition. In 2016, 2,800 refugees benefited
 from this service. The CIEP also developed an online training module for
 refugees
- **French Regions**: French local authorities are at the forefront for hosting refugees. Some regions have developed programmes to welcome and finance refugee students, in partnership with local universities and NGOs.
- Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF): In 2016, AUF launched a Linguistic and Cultural programme for refugee students. Aims at facilitating their integration in HEIs which offer courses in French. 25 HEIs' funded in 2016 and 37 (including 35 French HEIs) in 2017, for a



Campus France Forum

- The Campus France Forum counts 352 members among French
 HE and Research Institutions.
- Gives the member opportunities to meet, discuss, and think together on recommendations to better enhance French Higher Education and Research worldwide.
- These recommendations also feed into a national strategic thinking on HE
- In 2017, one of the thematic Commissions of this Forum focused on Good practices in the reception of refugees and migrants in French HEIs





Campus France Forum

4 mains recommendations from the Campus France Forum Commission on Good practices in the reception of refugees and migrants in French HEIs:

- Better organize, at a national level, the hosting and integration of refugee students (ex. MEnS Network)
- Implement a national level test, mainly to test French level
- Increase the funding oportunities and develop additional means of action
- Increase the dissemination of information on the current French initiatives





EU-funded projects

HOPES Project

Video

Higher & Further Education Opportunities & Perspectives for Syrians

- Budget: €12 million project, funded by the EU's Madad Fund
- Partners: DAAD (coordinator), British Council, Campus France,
 Nuffic
- Objectives: seeks to provide better access to further and higher education opportunities for refugees from Syria as well as for young people in the host communities affected by the high influx of refugees in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey









EU-funded projects

inHERE project: Higher Education supporting Refugees in Europe

- Erasmus+ project (KA2 Strategic Partnership)
- Partners: UNIMED (coordinator), EUA, Sapienza University of Rome, University of Barcelona, Campus France and the UNHCR (associate partner)
- Objectives: inHERE focuses on the initiatives implemented by European HEIs and other organizations committed to welcoming refugees.
- ⇒ Policy Dialogue Conference, 22 May, Paris





Thank you for your attention



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