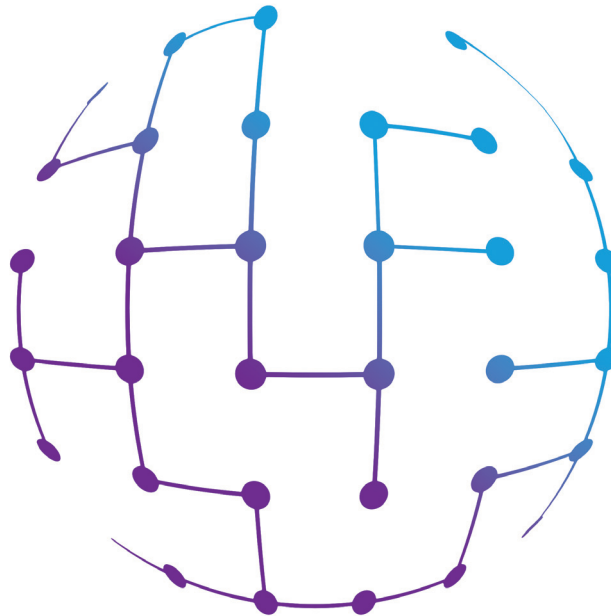


THE AGENCE UNIVERSITAIRE DE LA FRANCOPHONIE

FIRST GLOBAL UNIVERSITY NETWORK



THE AGENCE UNIVERSITAIRE DE LA FRANCOPHONIE (AUF)

OUR IDENTITY

ASSOCIATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS AND OPERATOR IN FRENCH-LANGUAGE ACADEMIA

The Agence universitaire de la Francophonie (Francophone University Association) has **990 members - universities, higher education establishments, university networks and scientific research centres all using the French language - in 118 countries**. We are also the higher education and research “operator” at the *Sommet de la Francophonie* French-language summits. Established almost 60 years ago, we are one of the world’s largest associations of higher education and research institutions.

OUR METHOD

CAPACITY-BUILDING PROJECTS TO PRODUCE TANGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

The AUF promotes solidarity among higher education and research institutions with the aim of implementing programmes that will fundamentally transform the university system. **We partner with private corporations and their foundations, states and governments, national development assistance agencies, international organisations, non-governmental organisations and academic, scientific and cultural associations**. Our global teams provide follow-up and advice for programme design and implementation and facilitate the sharing of best practices, expertise and innovation.

OUR MISSION

TO PROMOTE SOLIDARITY AMONG FRENCH-LANGUAGE UNIVERSITIES AND INSTITUTIONS COMMITTED TO DEVELOPMENT

The AUF promotes solidarity among French-language universities for the economic, social and cultural development of societies. A key part of the AUF’s 2017-2021 strategy is to help higher education and research institutions address three major challenges: **the quality of university education, research and governance; graduate professional integration and employability; and the involvement of higher education and research institutions in the overall development of societies**.

OUR GOVERNANCE

REPRESENTATIVES FROM UNIVERSITIES, STATES, GOVERNMENTS AND THE BUSINESS WORLD

Governance of the AUF is overseen by the following **seven bodies to ensure that our operations are transparent and our management is sound**: General Meeting, Chairman, Association Council, Board of Directors, Scientific Council, Strategic Orientation Council and Executive Management.

OUR RESOURCES

A DIVERSIFIED SELECTION

For the most part, the AUF's financial resources come from public-sector contributions. These are supplemented by contractual resources, government grants, membership fees, and goods and services provided free of charge.

OUR PRESENCE

ALONGSIDE OUR MEMBER INSTITUTIONS, THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

We operate in 40 countries and have a network of 59 local branches. Our core operations are divided between Montreal (Canada) and Paris (France) and our field initiatives are run by 10 regional directorates: Central Africa and the Great Lakes, West Africa, Americas, Asia-Pacific, Caribbean, Central and Eastern Europe, Western Europe, North Africa, Middle East, Indian Ocean.



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