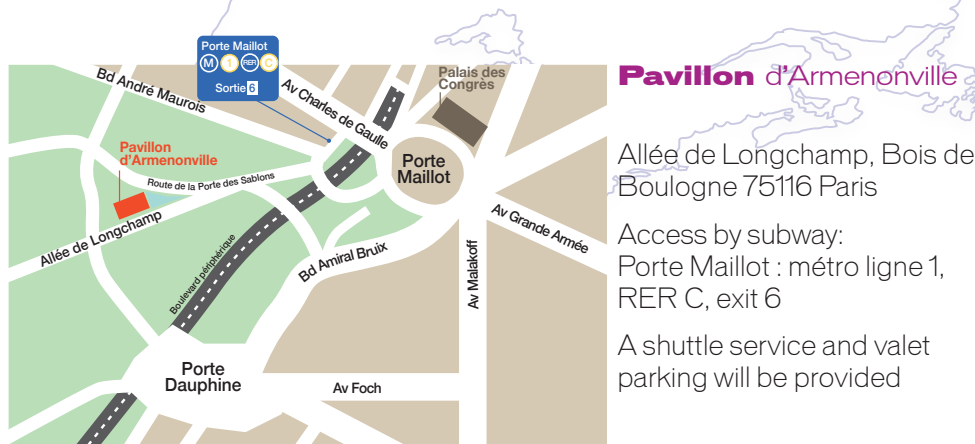


# useful informations

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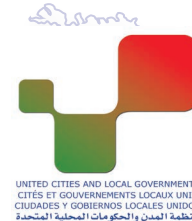
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**French institutional partners of the Paris Meeting:**



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# editorial

## A new inspiration for our annual event



**Roland Ries,**  
President of  
Cités Unies France

Since 2010, Cités Unies France organizes a major event for local governments from all over the world. After the visit of the President Hollande in 2015, our meeting was referred to as “The Davos of local governments international action”.

This event became **the most significant annual meeting** not only for our association and our members, but also for local governments worldwide engaged in international cooperation.

The 2016's Forum was a real success: in **two days**, it gathered more than **1500 participants**, mayors and local governments' representatives from more than **50 countries**, offering a panel of **40 conferences, meetings, country focuses and country-groups**.

In 2017, the Forum evolves towards a new model, the : **“Local government international actions - Paris Meeting”**, aiming to reflect with greater precision the central role played by local governments in our interdependent world.

Organized by Cités Unies France (‘French United local governments’), in partnership with the **French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Agence française de développement**, and **PLATFORMA-** a pan-European network of local and regional governments (in partnership with the **European Commission**), the Paris Meeting will take place on **October the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 2017, at the Pavillon d'Armenonville**.

This year again, we're inviting foreign delegations and representatives involved in international relations, as well as French and international institutions, NGOs, along with an increasing number of executives from the business sector.

This Paris Meeting will be the occasion to promote local governments' actions in the field of international solidarity & development, but also to focus on the **new challenges faced by local governments and to increase their international influence** and attractiveness.

During these two days, multiple conferences, debates and Cités Unies' country-groups will take place to discuss the important issues. We intend to show that local governments are capable of evolving, changing and developing as fast as the world we're living in.

The main goal of our Paris Meeting is to bring together French and international local governments, in order to **facilitate exchange of information and experiences, and to foster their closer co-operation**. Last but not least, **Cités Unies France seizes this opportunity to pursue the promotion of the sustainable development goals**.

**Roland Ries,**  
Mayor of Strasbourg

# preprogram

- **Plenary conferences** and thematic workshops
- Cités Unies' **Country-groups** meetings
- Cités Unies' **General Assembly**
- More than 800m<sup>2</sup> of exhibition area at the **Partner Lounge**
- Focus on... your projects, your countries, your cooperations... on the **TV Stage**



## 4 major topics

- Migrants – Refugees
- Geopolitics – geostrategy – crisis and rehabilitation
- International attractiveness of local governments
- Innovation and local governments' international actions



## Conferences

- Geopolitical questions: the new international environment for local governments
- Climate, agriculture & rural regions
- The sustainable development goals' location and the role of local governments
- International cooperation & territory's attractiveness: which place for medium-size cities?
- Local governments and the refugees' issue
- International youth mobility
- Crisis and rehabilitation: Managing the consequences and preventing the risks
- Platforma-European Commission conference: the new Africa-EU partnership: which place for local governments?...

## Cités Unies' country-groups meetings

Algeria, Armenia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, China, United-States of America, Israel, Haiti, Japan, Lebanon, Madagascar, Morocco, Mexico, Palestine, Russia, Senegal, Tunisia, Vietnam...