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PRESS BRIEFING

→ Meaning of the Y7 : #FairFuture

The French Presidency has entrusted the Open Diplomacy Institute with the task of organising the Y7, (also called "Youth7"), the youth engagement group of the French G7 Presidency.

The Y7 will be held from June 9th to 13th at ESCP Europe in Paris under the high patronage of Mr Emmanuel Macron, President of the French Republic. Delegations of young leaders representing all G7 countries as well as invited African countries, including the African Union, will negotiate and draft a final text to make concrete recommendations to G7 Heads of State and Government.

We have chosen to focus our work on addressing economic, gender, climate and technological inequalities.

The final recommendations will be delivered directly to the "sherpas" - diplomatic advisors - during a meeting with the heads of delegation, to feed and influence the work of the G7.

Open Diplomacy is supported in this approach by the following partners: ENEDIS, ESCP Europe, HEIP, IDDRI, IPSP, ISOC, Max Havelaar, Natixis, OECD and OFCE.

→ Broad national consultation on inequalities to prepare for the Y7

Before the summit, the Open Diplomacy Institute launched a major online citizen consultation throughout France to gather proposals from all citizens.

- 45 associations took part in the Y7 coalition - including figures such as les Entretiens d'Excellence , les Jeunes Européens, Business and Professional Women, or Nos quartiers ont du talent.
- 350 contributors have made 163 concrete proposals on our platform. These were discussed and evaluated over a period of 3 months by a community of 1,400 directly involved citizens.
- About ten events were organized in Paris, Lille, Lyon, Marseille or Bordeaux, each with local actors: associations, social innovation labs or the New Aquitaine region for example

The 2019 Y7 in Paris

PROGRAM SUMMARY

9 juin

Welcome day

Launch of the Y7 with Mr Gabriel ATTAL, State Secretary to the Minister of National Education (Closed to the press)

10 juin

First day of negotiations

Dialogue on gender inequalities with H.E. Isabelle HUDON, Canadian Ambassador, and Ms. Marlène SCHIAPPA, Secretary of State for Gender Equality (Closed to the Press)

11 juin

Second day of negotiations

Y7 evening dedicated to the theme "Climate change and inequalities" co-organized with Enedis (Closed to the press)

12 juin

Présentation aux autorités

G7 Civil Society Forum in the presence of Mr Emmanuel MACRON, President of the French Republic, at the CNAM (organised by Elysée)

Dialogue with Mr Bruno LE MAIRE, Minister of Economy and Finance (Closed to the press)

"Fairness at all" evening in the presence of Mr. Richard FERRAND, President of the National Assembly (Closed to the press)

13 juin

Closing Ceremony

Delivery of the Declaration to the G7 Sherpas

Closing conference of the Y7 in the presence of Mrs Brune POIRSON, Secretary of State for Ecological and Solidarity Transition and Mr Jean-Yves LE DRIAN, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs (tbc), co-organised with Max Havelaar France (Open to the press)

Thank you for accreditation by return email before June 5th

→ **About the Y7: an initiative born in France in 2011**

Under the French presidency of the G20 and G8 in 2011, the Open Diplomacy Institute launched the G8 and G20 Youth Engagement Groups under the high patronage of President Nicolas Sarkozy. The first G8 and G20 Youth Summits were held in Paris in May 2011, following the G8 Summit in Deauville. Bringing together about 140 delegates from around the world, they published the first report compiling youth recommendations to the G20 and G8 leaders.

Since 2011, the Y7 has become a unique space for dialogue between young people and G7 leaders, just like the Y20 for the G20.

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→ **À propos de l'Institut Open Diplomacy**

An association created in 2010 by Thomas FRIANG, the Institute aims to ensure that everyone understands and makes his this globalised world and can fully exercise his citizenship.

To achieve this educational and civic mission, the Open Diplomacy community is organized around six areas of activity:

- We structure the public debate throughout our conferences.
- We publish analytical articles written by our Research Fellows.
- We contribute to the development of our members' international culture during our training courses, every first Saturday of the month.
- We offer young people the opportunity to become reporters, i.e. to go and cover for a media partner a real international summit such as the European Council, NATO or the IMF&WBG Annual Meetings.
- We are creating the opportunity for young French people to put forward their ideas during international consultations through the project to become delegates, which is aimed in particular at the G20, the G7 or the United Nations.
- We organize international study tours that allow our members to meet the civic and political actors of the countries they wish to discover.

In accordance with [its statutes](#) and charter of values, the Institute has no political affiliation and operates on the basis of its financial autonomy.

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