

France Canada

Since 1949, the France Canada Association has been developing Franco-Canadian programs to promote knowledge, exchanges, networking and partnerships between the two countries in the economic, cultural and educational fields. The association is at the origin of the Franco-Canadian Future Leaders Program.



The Defense and Strategy Forum (FDS) is an association whose aim is to offer exchange platforms (workshops, seminars, etc.) on defense issues and International relations between actors from the transatlantic and European communities.

Following a first promotion in 2024, the France-Canada Association and the Defense and Strategy Forum are pooling their strengths and networks to pursue this programme aimed at strengthening strategic relations between Canada and France, as well as with other members of the Euro-Atlantic community.

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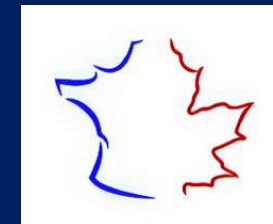
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Future Leaders



2025 Defense and diplomacy issues

Preliminary program for the delegation in France

March 2025 (9 to 15)

- Participation at the [Paris Defence and Strategy Forum 2025](#)
 - 3 round tables, including one or two organised by the FDS and the France-Canada Association:
 - Developments in the transatlantic security architecture
 - Cooperation between allies in the context of security issues in the North Atlantic and the Arctic
- Visit to the Île longue submarine naval base
 - Exchange with the management of the Strategic Oceanic Force
 - Exchange with CECLANT (Commander-in-Chief Atlantic) and his deputies on maritime issues in the North Atlantic
- Industrial site visit and workshop with members of the French defence company Safran
- Workshop on leadership and the Franco-Canadian relations with a former French Prime Minister
- Workshop on Franco-Canadian military cooperation with the Defence Attaché of the Canadian Embassy in France
- Exchange with senators from the France-Canada Friendship Group in the Senate on Franco-Canadian strategic relations / visit to the Senate
- Exchanges and workshop on the Francophonie at the [Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie](#)
- Exchange with [IHEDN/IRSEM](#) experts on international issues.

Potential partners



Preliminary program for the delegation in Canada

May 2025 (4 to 10)

- Visit to the House of Commons and discussion with one or more members of the Canada-France Interparliamentary Association.
- Workshop with [WIIS-Canada](#)
- Exchange on the French-speaking world and its challenges with members of [CEPI](#) and diplomats from World Affairs Canada
- Workshop on Franco-Canadian military cooperation with the defence attaché of the French Embassy
- Exchange with the French and Canadian Ambassadors to the [ICAO](#) (International Civil Aviation Organization)
- Workshop on leadership and the future of the transatlantic relations with a former Quebec Prime Minister
- Conference in partnership with the French Embassy on industrial cooperation opportunities
- Visit to Beechwood National Military Cemetery of the Canadian Forces and commemoration in front of the [AMICITIA monument](#)
- 8th of May commemoration Ceremony
- Meeting with the command of the 2nd Canadian Ranger Patrol Group (2 CRPG)
- Workshop with officer cadets at the Royal Military College Saint-Jean on training, the war in Ukraine and troop deployment in Eastern Europe.

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France-Canada Future Leaders, 2024 Edition



In the course of the program's various activities, in addition to interviews and discussions with leading figures, several conferences and colloquia were organized, including one at the Paris Defense and Strategy Forum (transatlantic security architecture), another at the French Embassy in Canada (future zones of tension and conflict by 2030) and a colloquium at ENAP (Arctic). You can find these conferences on the Defense and Strategy Forum [website](#). Strategic reports will also be published in the autumn of 2024, based on the themes explored during these exchanges



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