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LATEST EVENTS

NOVEMBER 16-18 -

In November, Campus France, the public institution in charge of promoting French higher education abroad and welcoming foreign students and researchers to France, organized virtually its annual "Rencontres". This event was a great occasion for French universities to discuss with MFUC members about opportunities to develop and strengthen cooperation with Malaysian institutions.

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OCTOBER 28

MFUC French Director, Dr Angéline Blanc-Serre participated to the UM International Webinar Series: "Fostering Bilateral Relations for Sustainable Partnerships in Higher Education". The participants exchanged on the role of foreign missions regarding the promotion of bilateral relations, particularly sustainable partnerships between education institutions.









SAVE THE DATE



FOCUS ON...

THE EIFFEL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



The **Eiffel Excellence Scholarship Program** was established by the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs to enable French higher education institutions to attract top foreign students to enroll in masters and PhD programs.

It gives opportunity to the future foreign decision-makers of the private and public sectors to study in France in priority areas such as law, economics and management, engineering (master's level) / sciences (PhD level) and political sciences.

Call for application is open until January 8, 2021.



Interested? The first step of the selection process is carried out by the French universities, don't hesitate to contact them directly.

To know more about this opportunity, follow this <u>link</u>.

EUTOPIA-SIF Post Doctoral Fellowships

CALL FOR APPLICATION

The EUTOPIA Science and Innovation Fellowship Program (EUTOPIA SIF) is opening a first call for applications to recruit 20 post-doctoral fellows in September 2021.

The EUTOPIA-SIF program is developed by the EUTOPIA European University, an ambitious Alliance of six like-minded European universities (including CY Cergy Paris Université in France).

Applications are welcome in the following key research areas:

- Materials Engineering,
- Data & Intelligence,
- Health,
- Sustainability,
- Welfare & Inclusion.

Please, follow this link for more information: https://eutopia.smapply.io/











ERD2020 "The European Green Deal"

CALL FOR APPLICATION



The European Commission has launched a €1 billion call for research and innovation projects that respond to the climate crisis and help protect ecosystems and biodiversity.

Consortia are invited to submit proposals corresponding to the 11 priority areas that broadly reflect the main streams of the Green Deal. Emphasis is on showing how R&I can provide concrete solutions matching the Green Deal's main priorities.

The deadline for submitting project proposals is January 31, 2021.

To know more, please follow this <u>link</u>.

CAFÉ WITH AN ALUMNI



ALINDA ABDUL RASHID

In order to celebrate French Teachers' Day (November 26), we interviewed Alinda who studied in France and is now a teacher in Malaysia.

Hello Alinda, thank you for participating! Could you introduce yourself?

Bonjour! My name is Alinda Abdul Rashid. I am a French teacher at the Kolej Poly-Tech MARA Kuala Lumpur. I am one of the French alumni in Malaysia. I'm here to share with you my experience of studying French in France and what I am doing now. I'm from Johor.

What brought you to study in France and teach French language?

I never dreamt in a million years that I could actually speak French. I never thought that I could go to France and became who I am today. With my SPM's result, I was selected and able to go study in France. I was supposed to study Pharmacy, but in the end, I chose French as a Foreign Language (FLE) at the Université de Franche-Comté in Besançon. I completed my studies in France and came back to Malaysia. My first job was as a lecturer and that was in 1993. If you ask me why I teach French, actually I don't know...I just go with the flow but I'm happy because I love teaching and I love the language.

What is your best memory about teaching French language?

Teaching is fun and I love it! So, every day is a good memory. It's such a reward when I come across my students. Even if they already graduated, they will still say "bonjour Madame". It is very rewarding for me.

What was the most difficult moment for you when you were studying in France to become a French teacher?

My studies in France are such a memorable period of my life. I can't even watch Emilie in Paris (a Netflix show, ed.) because I know I will cry. Thank you JPA Scholarship for allowing me to study in France. I didn't have problems with the language, but what was difficult for me is that the education system is different. The exams and the marking system are really distinct from Malaysia. That was my biggest obstacle in terms of studying.

As an alumni, what is the best advice that you would give to your students and to Malaysians who want to learn French in France?

If any of my friend's child wants to go to France, I will say "go for it!". You will not only gain knowledge; you also gain a language. If you study in France, you will never lose the language. It's the best place to study. My advice is, since it's the best place to study, just go for it and enjoy yourself. Amusez-vous bien!





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WHAT'S GOING ON?



Virtual Local Conference of Youth - Mobilising for a green post-covid recovery

French Embassy representatives were invited to participate to the virtual Malaysian Local Conference of Youth (MYLCOY).

MYLCOY was organized under the umbrella of the Youth Climate Movement, an official youth constituency at the United Nations Framework on Climate Change. The discussion focused on international partnerships for climate action. Participants from different Embassies highlighted the importance of such cooperation and partnerships to achieve UN Sustainable Goals.

Read more about MYLCOY2020 here.

Meeting with H.E. Roland Galharague, new Ambassador of France

The MFUC team has been invited by H.E. Roland Galharague, the new Ambassador of France to Malaysia at the Résidence de France. It was the opportunity for the team to exchange on MFUC's missions and to develop new guidelines for the years to come.





Live Webinar – Study in France, postgraduate programs

In January, don't miss out on our live webinar on Study in France, organized in collaboration with the Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM). MFUC team will present the French Higher Education System and the many opportunities it offers to students in Malaysia. You will learn about postgraduate programs and have the occasion to listen to French institutions' representatives.

Five years of the Paris Agreement

On December 12, 2020, we celebrated the 5 years of the Paris Agreement. This Agreement is the first-ever universal, legally binding global climate change agreement, adopted at the Paris Climate Conference (COP21). It sets out a global framework to avoid dangerous climate change by limiting global warming. It also aims to strengthen countries' ability to deal with the impacts of climate change and support them in their efforts.





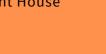
New MFUC team members

MFUC is pleased to welcome two new members to its team:

- Alice LE MONNYER, our new Deputy Director from France and
- Nurshahira MOHD NOORDIN, our new Communication and Administration Assistant.

Welcome to them!







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