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WELCOME

by Ed Llewellyn, British Ambassador to France



Dear everyone,

My team and I are very keen to do all we can to keep you up to date with the progress in the negotiations on Britain's departure from the European Union, and particularly with respect to your situation if you are living or working here in France.

We are setting up a further round of meetings with British citizens all over France. The meetings are open to the public upon registration – you can find a list of them below. Once you've registered, you will receive a confirmation email that includes the precise location of the meeting. The meetings will start with a short introduction and will be followed by a Q&A session.

We are in the process of organising more events across France. If you have suggestions for places that could host those meetings, please email us at France.Enquiries@fco.gov.uk.

For those who can't make it, you can review our two live Q&A on Facebook that we held in [December 2017](#) and [this past March](#). A complete readout, as well as our previous newsletters, can be accessed on GOV.UK.

I hope to see many of you on those regional trips!

With best wishes,

Ed

PS: we are very keen to reach as many Brits living in France as possible, so please do help us to spread the word!

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British Citizens Outreach Meetings

You must register in order to have access to those meetings. The location of the event will be sent to you upon registration.

9 April 2018 - [PARIS](#)

17 April 2018 - [STRASBOURG](#)

15 May 2018 - [LIMOGES](#)

18 June 2018 - [AUDE](#)

26 June 2018 - [GARD \(Nîmes\)](#)

11 July 2018 - [HÉRAULT \(Montpellier\)](#)

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We will be announcing further dates in Brittany, Lyon, Aix-en-Provence, Nice, Bordeaux and Parthenay.

UPDATE ON THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL

We reached another important milestone in the Brexit negotiations at the March European Council (22-23 March). Two aspects that were agreed are of particular relevance to the British community in France. First we agreed the terms of an implementation period – giving clarity for both citizens and businesses through to the end of 2020. And, second, we have finalised the legal text to give effect to the guarantees around citizen's rights that were announced in December – including on right to work, healthcare, education and so on. That does not mean there isn't more to do, and as we move to the next phase of negotiations we are continuing to push on other areas, including the right of onward movement within the EU for UK nationals.

You can watch the Prime Minister's statement on the March European Council [here](#).

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