



February 29th / March 1st 2024

A Summit to Understand and Shape the Future

February 29th and March 1st 2024 will soon be seen as a major step for all science and innovation's enthusiasts and key players. On the outskirts of Paris, Paris-Saclay Cluster is hosting a prime event bringing together scientists, inventors, civil society representatives, political figures, entrepreneurs and business leaders. This summit aims to place science at the core of our society and highlight its essential role in the many challenges that await us.

A Coalition Challenging the Status Quo

During this Summit, experts often absent from public debate but essential to it, will come together and discuss how nonconformist minds relying on science and challenging the established order, are often shaping our future.

On the one hand, this summit will bring together some renowned scientist such as the Nobel Prize-winning physicist Alain Aspect, the well-known astrobiologist Nathalie Cabrol, who works on detecting traces of life in space, and the famous Arthur Mensch, a leading A.I. researcher and a key player in Mistral, AI's future.

On the other hand, it will introduce new bright minds among whom Julia Joung, Postdoc in Jonathan Weissman lab at MIT (and distinguished as one the top innovator of 2023 by the MIT Technology Review) or Anna Blaknay, who is studying bioengineering, molecular biology and immunology approaches to develop the next generation of RNA vaccines and therapies.

An Unprecedented and Ambitious Event Centred on Scientific Knowledge

The **Paris-Saclay Summit** was founded on a shared ambition between Paris-Saclay Conurbation and Paris-Region, the Paris-Saclay Cluster to leverage the scientific and technological influence of **Paris-Saclay, which gather up to 25% of French public and private research, and honour French excellence and its global impact.**

This unprecedented international event hosted with Le Point Magazine will be renewed for the upcoming years and will promote scientific knowledge to further progress in major environmental, economic and societal challenges.

This major event gathers the region's institutional stakeholders as well as **two major academic hubs: the University of Paris-Saclay (which, according to the "Shanghai Ranking" reaches 1st place in mathematics and 16th in overall global ranking) and the Institut Polytechnique de Paris (38th worldwide university / 2nd french in QS World University Rankings 2024).** With over 45,000 students attending campus, the event will thus allow them to play a central role in the debates.

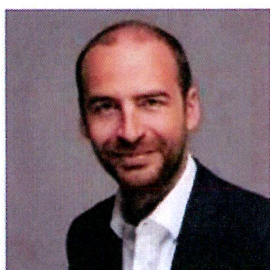
Paris-Saclay, the Core of Technological Future

The Paris-Saclay Summit will be an opportunity to showcase the stars of global science! It is a whirlwind of innovative ideas and discoveries, positioning France and Paris-Saclay's Cluster among the major players, between Shenzhen, Bangalore and the Silicon Valley. Join us in writing the future at the Paris Saclay Summit!



"Our times are marked by rapid technological advances and crucial environmental issues. Faced with the unprecedented challenges of our century, France must become a great scientific power again and regain confidence in progress. To achieve this, the relationship between science and society must be at the heart of current affairs. Drawing on the globally recognized scientific strength of the Saclay plateau, 'Choose Science' carries this ambition to restore science to its rightful place in public debate. Science in the service of society is our commitment for tomorrow!"

Valérie Pécresse - President of Paris Region



"There is a longstanding history connecting Paris-Saclay and science. In these times, when innovation continually pushes the boundaries of what is possible, it is both useful and important to take the time to collectively reflect on the role that science can and must play in fully addressing the world's major challenges. The Paris-Saclay Summit is a unique gathering to question the fundamentals and envision the future. We count on you to stand with science!"

Grégoire de Lasteyrie – President of Paris-Saclay Conurbation

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