



June 6th, 2015

World Wide Views on Climate and Energy

Press Kit





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Citizens



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ON CLIMATE AND ENERGY **2015
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WORLD WIDE VIEWS ON CLIMATE AND ENERGY 2015

DÉBAT CITOYEN PLANÉTAIRE SUR L'ÉNERGIE ET LE CLIMAT 2015

"We are very excited that World Wide Views on Climate and Energy is being organized and happy to collaborate with such an important initiative. Bringing forward the views and the voices of citizens from across the globe can only contribute to a positive new universal climate agreement in Paris in December."

Ms. Christiana Figueres,

Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change



On June 6, 2015, thousands of citizens reflecting the demographic diversity of their respective country will participate in the global citizen consultation. Debates will start in the Pacific region and end on the west coast of Americas.

Participants will be invited to express their views on 30 questions, after having received unbiased information material and debated with fellow citizens. The results will be made available online through a user-friendly interface. A summary for policymakers will be presented on June 30.

Prior to and during COP21, partners in the World Wide Views Alliance (responsible for organizing the national citizen consultations), strategic partners and citizens, who participated in the debates, will present the results at the local and global level.

This project directly supports the implementation of Article 6 of the UNFCCC, which, inter alia, aims to enhance public awareness and promote public access to information on, and public participation in, climate change policy-making and action.



Countries hosting a World Wide Views Climate Energy debate on June 6 2015



"In 100 countries, 100 citizens will gather to give their opinion about the negotiation key issues. A kind of worldwide citizen consultation!"

François Hollande,
President of France

1 DAY  **100 DEBATES**  **10 000 + CITIZENS**

World Wide Views is a contribution to global democracy and to the debate about climate change.

It aims at bringing the views of citizens from 100 countries on Climate Change to the attention of governments, public officials, UN institutions, local authorities, stakeholders, companies, etc.

Decisions made at COP21 will affect the lives of citizens all over the world. Giving citizens the opportunity to express their views on the key issues negotiated can only strengthen the legitimacy of the decisions made.



INITIATORS AND PARTNERS

The World Wide Views 2015 on Climate and Energy is initiated by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) secretariat, the French National Commission for Public Debate (FR), the Danish Board of Technology Foundation (DK) and Missions Publiques (FR), and implemented in collaboration with partners in the World Wide Views Alliance.





PREVIOUS CONSULTATIONS

Two World Wide Views citizen consultations have already been organized :
by the Danish Board of Technology.

- **World Wide Views on Global Warming,**
COP15 in Copenhagen (2009)
<http://globalwarming.wwviews.org/node/259.html>
- **World Wide Views on Biodiversity,**
COP11 in Hyderabad (2012)
<http://biodiversity.wwviews.org>

The World Wide Views methodology was also used for a **French Wide Views** during the French National Debate on Energy Transition (2013). This process engaged more than 1100 French citizens in 14 regions. The results gave support to bold propositions from the National council of energy transition to the French President and government.

THE FUNDERS - 2015 EDITION

The project is funded by the French Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy (MEDDE), 14 French Regions under the coordination of the Association of french Regions (Aquitaine, Auvergne, Basse-Normandie, Centre-Val-de-Loire, Franche-Comté, Guadeloupe, Haute-Normandie, Île-de-France, Martinique, Nord-Pas-de-Calais, Poitou-Charentes, Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur, La Réunion, Rhône-Alpes), the National Commission for Public Debate (CNDP), ENGIE (GDF Suez), the KR Foundation, the Presidency of the French National Assembly, , the German Federal Environment Agency, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development (MAEDI), the European Space Agency (ESA), the Fondation de France and the "socialist and affiliated", "Europe Écologie Les Verts (EELV)" groups of the French Senate, Norwegian Ministry of Climate and Environment, Grenoble-Alpes Métropole and the city of Paris.

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Factsheet of the World Wide Views on climate and energy

What? To organize a global public debate on climate and energy

Where? In 5 continents and 15 islands

Who? 10 400 citizens (100 citizens x 104 debates)

When? Saturday, June 6th, 2015

How? One questionnaire and one methodology for every country with results instantly accessible online, and a global report for policymakers

Why? To open a dialogue between citizens, policymakers and negotiators

World Wide Views on climate and energy will be held on June 6th, 2015. 5 continents and 15 islands will participate to this unique initiative. In each country, 100 citizens will participate to daylong information and deliberation process which allow them to form a reasoned opinion and to give their view on the five-topics of the negotiations of the Climate Conference in Paris.

World Wide Views has been co-initiated by the UNFCCC, the French National Commission for public debate (CNDP), the Danish Board Foundation and the agency Missions Publiques. **The initiative was labelled COP21 and the Secretariat of the UNFCCC recognized *World Wide Views* as part of the negotiation process.**

This debate will focus on all the issues that will be discussed at the 21st Conference of the Parties (COP21) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

World Wide Views enables people to take over the issues of international negotiations so that they can be part of public decisions, thereby enhancing citizens' voices on complex matters. The same protocol will be strictly enforced from one country to another, so that the results are consolidated and meet the same quality standards. They will be instantly published on the net via a "web tool" and accessible by all. The results will be analysed in a report for the policymakers.

The recommendations made by the citizens at *World Wide Views* on climate and energy on June 2015 will be presented to negotiators during the intersession of Bonn on June 2015, and then during side events related to COP21.

The local organizers must have the professional skills necessary to carry out a process of citizen participation. It can not be governments or structures that would be considered to have a partisan positioning concerning climate issues.



The organization of local debate requires:

- **the recruitment of 150 lay citizens** to ensure the presence of at least 100 people on June 6th;
- **the constitution of a leading team** (including facilitators). All the local organizers have been trained to the method and the organization of the debate: they have attended face-to-face training sessions (two sessions have been organized in Paris, one in Guadeloupe and one in La Réunion) or online trainings ("webinars"). A training manual has also been sent to all the organizers;
- **to find a room** that can accommodate 130 people, with access to the Internet, tables, chairs, etc;
- **to provide for the restoration of the participants** (breakfast and lunch);
- **to contribute as much as possible to the cost of citizens' travelling fees;**
- **to translate in local languages**, if necessary, the **training documents**. The questionnaire and the information booklet will be translated into the 6 United Nation languages (English, French, Spanish, Russian, Arabian, Chinese). The five videos will be available in English, French, and Spanish;
- **to write a summary** highlighting the results of the country.

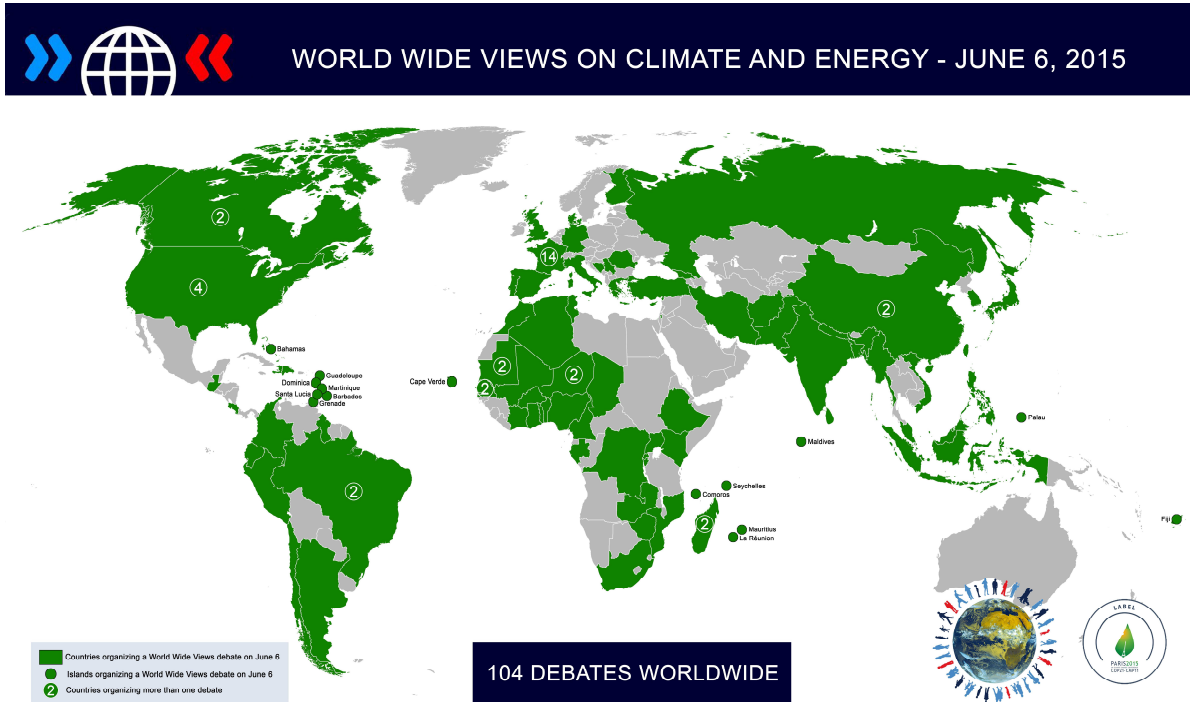
The initiators of the *World Wide Views* provide all the information, the contents and the method. This includes face-to-face training sessions and online trainings ("webinars"), but also written and visual documents: the training manual, the booklet summarizing the challenges of COP21 ensuring that all citizens have the same level of information, the questionnaire used the D Day and the five information videos.

All the documents are available **in the six United Nation languages on the website of the initiative:**

<http://climateandenergy.wwviews.org/ce-interest/>

The initiators will present the results of the *World Wide Views* during the intersession of Bonn on June 10th, 2015.

Map of the participating countries



Countries participating to the World Wide Views on climate and energy	
Countries	Grant allocated by the French Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy
Afghanistan	
Algeria	X
Argentina	X
Bahamas	X
Bangladesh	X
Barbados	X
Benin	X
Bosnia and Herzegovina	X
Brazil (2 debates)	X
Burkina Faso	X
Burundi	X
Cameron	X
Canada	
Cape Verde	X



Chad	X
Chile	X
China	X
Colombia	X
Comoros	X
Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	X
Costa Rica	X
Côte d'Ivoire	X
Denmark	
Dominican Republic	X
Ecuador	X
Ecuador	
Ethiopia	X
Fiji	X
Finland	
France (14 debates)	
Gabon	X
Gambia	X
Georgia	X
Germany	
Ghana	X
Greece	X
Grenada	X
Guatemala	X
Guyana	X
Haiti	X
India	X
Indonesia	X
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	X
Italy	
Japan	
Kenya	X
Korea (Republic of)	X
Madagascar (2 debates)	
Malaysia	X
Maldives	X
Mali	X
Mauritania (2 debates)	X
Mauritius	X
Morocco	X
Mozambique	
Myanmar	X
Nepal	X



Niger	X
Nigeria	X
Pakistan	X
Palestine	X
Peru	X
Philippines	X
Portugal	X
Romania	X
Russian Federation	X
Rwanda	X
Santa Lucia	X
Scotland	
Senegal (2 debates)	
Serbia	
Seychelles	X
South Africa	X
Spain	
Sri Lanka	X
Togo	X
Tunisia	
Turkey	X
Uganda	X
United States (4 debates)	
Viet Nam	X
Zambia	X
Zimbabwe	X
Total	83 countries 104 debates
Continents	Number of countries
AFRICA	32
AMERICAS	17
ASIA OCEANIA	18
EUROPE	16
	Including 15 islands



The French regions mobilized up to 100% for the climate

For the French regions, this global public debate is a major appointment to mobilize citizens for a global agreement on climate in December 2015 in Paris. On June 6th, **14 regions, coordinated by the the Association of French Regions (ARF), are organizing citizen consultations:** Aquitaine, Auvergne, Basse and Haute-Normandie, Centre - Val de Loire, Franche-Comté, Guadeloupe, Île-de-France, Martinique, Nord - Pas-de-Calais, Poitou-Charentes, Provence - Alpes-Côte-d'Azur, La Réunion, Rhône-Alpes.

On May 25th 2013, the citizen consultation organized as part of the national debate on energy transition had already gathered 1 115 citizens in 14 regions. This citizen mobilization had led to the submission of 30 proposals to the Government for the bill on the energy transition.

Based on the success of this first edition, the regions have joined very early the World Wide Views. Their logistical and financial support is one of the pillars of this great citizen consultation.

The mobilization of territories, non-state actors such as civil society, **is one of the keys to the success of COP21.** Even if a satisfactory multilateral agreement is reached in Paris, it cannot be effectively implemented without the contribution of dynamic field staffs. Moreover, this agreement will come into force in 2020 and non-state actors are already acting in the territories.

The solutions to face the climate change are already being experienced in the 27 regions of France. Their positive agenda published ahead of the COP21 proves it. Throughout the year, the Regions are acting to develop the renewable energy sectors, to adapt the territories to climate change. They are training professionals in tomorrow's jobs, they promote sustainable mobility, they mobilize civil society, and establish new financial devices.

Beyond the meeting of June 6th, the Regions are mobilized strongly to the success of the Paris conference through hundreds of events. The most important of them are:

- **On June 4th and 5th, the Region Provence - Alpes-Côte d'Azur will organize a climate Mediterranean summit.** The "Medcop" will endorsed the launch of a Mediterranean cooperation process. A process called for the French President of the Republic.
- **On July 1st and 2nd 2015, the Region Rhône-Alpes will host a World Summit on Climate and Territories.** This event dedicated to the civil society will held many working sessions. The nine major UN groups should bring out proposed amendments on the text that will be debated in Paris next December.
- **From the 24th to 29th of November, the Region Île-de-France will host the "Conference of youth".** A few days before the COP21, the conference expects to welcome 10,000 young people worldwide, with a quarter of Parisians, to raise awareness on climate issues
- **From the 30th of November to the 11th of December, the Regions and their partners will be present at the COP at Le Bourget to present their mobilization against global warming.**



Some examples of regional policies for the climate, from the positive agenda of French Regions

- **Alsace:** via a call for applications "companies and energy efficiency", the Region has decided to set up a supporting device, dedicated to businesses, generating energy savings for process and utilities. 44 investments were supported in 2011-2014, saving 37,501 tones of CO₂ / year.
- **Aquitaine:** going against the conclusion that it is currently difficult for scientists to measure at a local level the impact of climate change, the Aquitaine Region took a one of a kind initiative: the launch in 2011 of a permanent Scientific Committee, led by climatologist Herve Le Treut, member of the Academy of Sciences and IPCC. The examination of the impact of climate change on the horizon 2030-2050 in Aquitaine enabled to establish recommendations for politics, and proposals to support the adaptation of the environment and people.
- **Pays de la Loire:** since summer 2012, the region has placed the Loire in the heart of the energy debate. More than 5 000 people have contributed to the construction of the regional energy transition scenario, starting of customs and lifestyles.
- **Picardie:** since September 2013, by creating a department of public utilities in energy efficiency (SPEE), the Region has the competency of thermal rehabilitation of individual housing. The aim: to rehabilitate 10,000 houses per year, starting in 2018.
- **Poitou-Charentes:** the Region has decided to support the photovoltaic sector, with the Regional Solar Plan in 2008, and, in March 2011, with the establishment of a photovoltaic resistance fund: the ESTER device "Solar Electricity of Territories", (400 million€ funded by the European Investment Bank and the bank Crédit Agricole). This public-private partnership for the production of photovoltaic electricity at a reasonable cost, is the result of a unique alliance between the Region, Solairedirect (photovoltaic independent operator), Sorégies and Séolis (local energy distribution companies).
- **Rhône-Alpes:** the Region has embarked on the path of circular ecology, acting concretely through its innovation policies and eco-innovation, economic development, research or training. Among these actions, together with ADEME (French Agency for Environment and Energy Management), the Commission launched in 2013 an initiative "Ecology Industrial and Territorial" for regional projects. This initiative offers an original accompaniment to motivated territories which are already engaged in environmental initiatives.
- **Overseas:** regions can adapt the rules to their territory. The legislative and regulatory regime in the overseas communities is the same as in the hexagon, but may be subject to adjustments. As a result, in order to take account of their specificities, the law may allow these regions to determine the rules applicable in their territory. Guadeloupe has been the first French region to obtain legislative authority in the field of energy in 2009. This approach was followed by Martinique which has the same prerogative since 2011.

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14 debates in the regions

14 French regions (Aquitaine, Auvergne, Basse-Normandie, Centre - Val de Loire, Franche-Comté, Guadeloupe, Haute-Normandie, Île-de-France, Martinique, Nord-Pas-de-Calais, Poitou-Charentes, Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur, La Réunion, Rhône-Alpes), **under the coordination of the Association of French regions are participating in the initiative.**

13 debates are going to be organized: 1 per region, except in the Regions Haute-Normandie and Basse-Normandie. These two regions will organize only one coordinated debate.

In the context of decentralized cooperation, some regions provide logistical and / or financial assistance for the organization of eight local debates in 7 countries (Mauritania, Burkina Faso, Chile, Mauritius, Senegal, Tunisia, and Madagascar where will be held two debates).

Besides, the agglomeration Grenoble-Alpes Métropole is going to organise a debate too; **bringing the total number of debates in the regions to 14.**

	World Wide Views in the French Regions	Support to foreign Regions for the organization of a debate
1	AQUITAINE	
2	AUVERGNE	Madagascar (Region of Vakinankaratra)
3	BASSE NORMANDIE HAUTE NORMANDIE >>one coordinated debate	Madagascar (Region of Atsinanana)
4	CENTRE – VAL DE LOIRE	Mauritania
5	FRANCHE COMTE	Burkina Faso
6	GUADELOUPE	
7	ÎLE-DE-FRANCE (IDF)	Chile
8	MARTINIQUE	
9	NORD-PAS-DE-CALAIS	
10	PROVENCE-ALPES-CÔTE D'AZUR (PACA)	
11	POITOU CHARENTES	
12	RÉUNION	Mauritius
13	RHÔNE ALPES	Senegal (Region of Saint-Louis) Tunisia (Governorate of Monastir)
14	GRENOBLE – ALPES METROPOLE	



Program of June 6th at 244 boulevard Saint-Germain :
 -Headquarter of the initiative
 -Île-de-France debate

9.30 am: Official launch of the World Wide Views in Region Île-de-France / Presentation of the first available results by the coordination team

Final results: Fiji

11.15 am: Focus on Pacific Ocean debates

Skype with Philippines and Malaysia (debates ongoing)

10.45 am: Focus on Asiatic continent debates (19 debates ongoing)

Skype with 500 citizens from India, South Korea, Japan, Pakistan, Myanmar: online feedbacks

11.30 am: Last debates in Asia

Skype with citizens from Afghanistan, Palestinian territories, Russia, Iran, Sri Lanka, Maldives

12.00 pm: Discussion on the issues of climate and energy in the Pacific Ocean and in the Asian continent

12.30 pm: Lunch break

1.15 pm: The debates in Europe and Africa (43 debates ongoing)

Presentation of the first available results

1.45 pm: Climate change and energetic transition in Europe

Skype with 500 citizens from Germany, Greece, Portugal, Italy, Spain

2.30 pm: Discussion about climate change and energy transition in France

Skype with the citizens in French regions

Skype with the French regions and their cooperation decentralized

4.00 pm: The climate change and the energy transition in Africa

Skype with 500 citizens from South Africa, Burkina Faso, Kenya, Rwanda, Cameroon

4.45 pm: First debates in the Americas

Skype with Brazil and United-States

5.00 pm: Asia, Europe, and Africa: what trends, what convergences, what differences?

Synthesis of the available results of the World Wide Views2015, the biggest citizen consultation ever organized

5.30 pm: End of the World Wide Views in Île-de-France



Typical program of June 6th

Time	Program
8:00	Team meeting (organizers of the debate) – meanwhile registration of citizens starts Briefing in order to clarify misunderstandings or misconceptions, and in order to check the functions of each person.
9:00	Registration of the participants Distribution of nominative badges and folders containing the day's program, information materials, etc Installation: table plan which allows a social mix (8 people per table).
10:00	Launch of the day of the World Wide Views A personality (for instance the Minister of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy) pronounces an opening speech. The local organizer explains the logic and value of consultation, and presents the program of the day , explaining the role of each team member, the principles and objectives of the deliberation, the voting procedures, the role of citizens and the like.
10:45	First thematic session: the importance of tackling climate change 1h15 The questions to which every citizen will respond by ending sequence are organized around five themes developed in the information booklet, received in advance by the participants, and in the introductory videos, screened during the debate. The procedure is explained by the facilitators(5-10 min). Then, introduction of the theme and video projection; presentation of the questions by the facilitators, roundtable discussions (45 min). At last, vote (15 min).
12:00	Second thematic session: tools to tackle climate change 1h15
13:15	Third thematic session: UN negotiations and national commitments 1h15
14:30	Fourth thematic session: Fairness and distribution of efforts 1h15
15:45	Fifth thematic session: making and keeping climate promises 1h15
17:00	Conclusion The local organizer makes a closing speech and thanks the citizens for their participation; he provides information on the continuation of the initiative, the consultation of results and their valorisation, and so on. A personality may conclude the day or (in the case of an immediate seizure of responses) present the first results.

Note: To enhance the international dimension of the project, each partner will be in tandem with one another to organize a meeting on Skype during the day.

Moreover, the debate in the region Île-de-France, held at 244 Boulevard Saint-Germain (75007 Paris), will be connected to ten countries via a video wall. The press will be invited to this day.



Coordinators of the World Wide Views on climate and energy

The National Commission for Public Debate (CNDP)

The National Commission for Public Debate (CNDP) is a French independent administrative authority whose mission is to inform citizens and to ensure that their views are taken into account in the decision making process of major development projects and amenities.

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The Danish Board of Technology Foundation

The Danish Board of Technology Foundation (DBT) is a non-profit, independent, private Danish foundation, giving advice to decision makers about how to deal with new developments in science and technology. DBT's methods are highly participatory and it is internationally recognized for its development of citizen participation methods.

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