

Cross-Party Group on France

Thursday 24 April 2025, 18:00-20:00

Hybrid (Room Q1.04 & Microsoft Teams)

Non-MSP members should arrive at the Scottish Parliament reception desk at 17:30 where they will be escorted to the meeting room. MSPs and non-MSP members joining virtually can join via the Microsoft Teams link below.

Agenda

1. Welcome, introduction and apologies

Opening of the meeting by the Convener, Daniel Johnson MSP, and noting of apologies.

2. Address from Angus Robertson MSP, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, External Affairs and Culture in the Scottish Government

3. Overview of Scotland–France trade relations

Presentation from the French Chamber of Great Britain.

4. Sector spotlights: Franco-Scottish success stories

Brief presentations from companies with a strong Franco-Scottish presence – including Pernod Ricard, EDF Renewables, and Thales – highlighting opportunities and challenges.

5. Open discussion and questions

6. Approval of non-MSP members

Consideration and approval of individuals and organisations seeking to join the Group as non-MSP members.

7. Conclusion

Closing reflections and concluding remarks from the Convener.