

CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on France

PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Please provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.
2. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.
3. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

1. To promote an understanding of the existing links and friendship between Scotland and France and to facilitate discussion on equal terms between these nations.

This group will further develop the existing relationship through cultural and economic exchange and will function as a supporting body to Scottish-French diplomatic relations and to the Institut français d'Ecosse in Edinburgh.

2. There is no overlap with other Cross Party Groups.

3. Agenda and scheduling details will be discussed at the first meeting which will be held in September, 2013.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names of all MSP members of the Group. Note that only names need to be provided, no party designation or other information is required.

Christian Allard MSP

Richard Baker MSP

Nigel Don MSP

John Finney MSP

Rob Gibson MSP

Alex Johnstone MSP

Maureen Watt MSP

NON-MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals

Sheena Cleland
Niall McDonald
Dr. John Riley

Organisations

The Institut français d'Ecosse
French Consulate General in Edinburgh

GROUP OFFICE BEARERS

Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Convener

Christian Allard MSP

Deputy Convener

Alex Johnstone MSP

Secretary

Adele Mortier

Treasurer

TBC

FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

Nil

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

N/A

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on France is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed

Date

02/07/2013