



Défi Inter Alliances

Article 1 – The organisers

The Alliances Françaises of Australia, not-for-profit organisations, and the Fondation des Alliances Françaises (Paris) are the organisers of the “Défi Inter-Alliances” competition, hereinafter called the “competition”.

Article 2 - Objective of the competition

Competition entrants are invited to participate in a general culture questionnaire, in French, through the Kahoot digital platform.

The competition takes place in three stages:

- a local selection phase organised by each participating Alliance | On Friday 21st October at 6pm for AF Melbourne
- a national selection phase | On Friday 11 November at 6pm for Australia (Melbourne time)
- an international final | On Saturday 26 November at 2pm (Paris time) / 12am (Melbourne time)

Article 3- Terms and conditions of participation

Participation in the competition is completely free.

The competition is open to all registered learners of participating Alliances Françaises under the following conditions:

- competition entrants must be at least 16 years old at the time of registration
- competition entrants must have a B1, B2, C1 or C2 level or be in the process of learning at one of these levels.

Learners who do not meet these criteria will not be able to participate.

Participation in the competition implies full acceptance of these rules and participants must comply with all of the conditions. Failure of any competition entrant to comply with the terms and conditions set out in these rules will render their participation invalid.

The three phases of selection - local, national and international final - will take place as follows: a general cultural questionnaire in French through the Kahoot digital platform.

Participants must use two digital devices to participate, through two platforms, free and easy to access (advice: a computer to access Zoom for the virtual game space, a mobile phone to answer the questionnaire from the Kahoot application).

The competition is run in French only and general culture questions are also written only in French. Answers to the general knowledge questionnaire offered on the Kahoot platform will result in a count of the points and a ranking.

At the end of the local selections, the first two finalists will be appointed to represent their Alliances at the national selection. At the end of this national selection, the first two finalists will be designated to represent the so-called "national" network in the international final.

The three contestants with the most points in the international final will be declared the winners of the competition.

Special provision:

The winners of previous edition (2021) cannot take part in the next edition (2022).

Article 4- Prizes

Apart from their participation in the national competition, the first two winners in the local selection will be rewarded by the AFSC

Apart from their participation in the international final, the first two winners in the national selection will also each be awarded with 1x night for 2 people in a Sofitel in Australia.

*Additional costs not included.

The three top-scoring contestants in the international final will be offered a two-week language stay with an Alliance Française which is in France and is partnered with the competition: Aix-Marseille Provence, Bordeaux, Cavilam - Alliance Française (Vichy), Lyon, Montpellier, Nice Côte d'Azur, Paris Île de France, Rouen Normandy.

The three winners will choose the city they wish to visit according to their ranking in the competition. The winner with the most points in the international final will be given first choice, followed by the second and then third-placed contestants in that order. Once a city is selected, the next winner will be asked to choose a different Alliance Française.

The trip includes:

- Tuition fees (registration and course fee),
- Half-board accommodation with a local family (breakfast and dinner),
- Return flights to Paris from the airport closest to the winner's home.
- Return transportation (train or bus) as required to the city of the winner's choice. Local transport costs (bus, metro, RER, etc.) are not included.

All other costs that are not included in the prize (insurance, extra baggage, etc.) are to be covered by the winners. In the event that the winner requires a visa to visit France, he/she will be responsible for making the necessary arrangements.

The three winners must inform their chosen Alliance Française in France 4 months before their visit. Failure to give sufficient notice will result in the cancellation of the prize.

The winners must choose dates that correspond to the course programs offered by their chosen Alliance Française.

4.1. Validity

Winners of the International Final must complete their stay by the end of September 2023 at the latest.

If winners are unable to use the prize before the end of September 2023, the prize will be forfeited.

The winners of the international final may transfer their prize to a family member (parents, children, brothers/sisters) aged 16 or older.

Article 5 - Image rights

The local and national finals, and the International Final, may be broadcast live, or at a later date, on the websites and social networks of the participating Alliances Françaises, as well as those of the competition organisers and partners.

By virtue of their participation in the competition, participants authorize the organizers to use their surname, first name, as well as the indication of their city and country of residence, in any advertising-promotional event, on the websites and social networks of the organizers, and on any affiliated site or support, without this use giving rise to rights and remuneration other than the prize offered as part of the competition.

By participating in this competition, each participant grants to the organizers the right to use their image if they are declared winners, including the right to reproduce and use details of their participation, their names and their images on all media (including, but not limited to, websites, social media networks press and events) for the purpose of promoting the competition, in the year following the current competition year. This competition will not give rise to any consideration other than the benefit of the prizes detailed. Participants acknowledge that they do not have right of veto in terms of the selection of images used by the organizers. In addition, participants acknowledge that they will not have right of veto over the promotional channels used for the selected photographs and that they will not have the right to oppose the dissemination of the photographs, in accordance with these terms of conditions.

By entering this contest, parents or guardians of participating minors accept these rules and, in doing so, authorise the participating and organising Alliances Françaises to publish their name and data which may identify them or leading to their identification.

Article 6 - Responsibilities

6.1 Responsibilities of the organisers

The organisers cannot be held responsible if, in the event of an emergency, or for any other cause, the competition should be postponed, shortened or cancelled. The organisers also reserve the right to extend or limit the period of participation, to postpone it or to modify the conditions, with emergencies requiring such measures being out of their control. Additions and amendments to these rules may be published during the competition. They will be considered as annexes to these terms and conditions.

The organizers cannot be held responsible for any malfunctions linked to the Internet network itself or linked to any intrusion, attempted intrusion, fraud, technical failure or any other reason beyond the control of the organizers which lead to failures in the network, administration, security, fairness, integrity or management of the contest. The organizers cannot be held responsible for the congestion of the Internet network, the quality of the equipment of the participants, nor the quality of their mode of access which could have repercussions on the delivery time of the answers or on the connection time required for participation.

In addition, participants will not be able to claim any compensation in the event of incidents as mentioned above, modification or cancellation of the competition.

6.2 Responsibilities of participants

It is expressly reminded that it is the sole responsibility of the participants to ensure that the information they provide when registering for the competition, in particular their contact details, are genuine and correct, and that they are able to participate in the competition.

Participants selected to take part in the national and/or the international finals must ensure that they are available on the dates specified. If they are not available on these dates, for any reason, they will not be able to take part in the competition.

It is up to all participants to take all appropriate measures to protect their own data and / or software stored on their computer equipment against any attack. The participation of entrants in the competition is their sole responsibility.

Participation in the competition represents agreement to adhere to the terms and conditions set out herein. The organisers reserve the right to disqualify, without notice, and / or not to award a prize to any participant who has disregarded the provisions of these terms and conditions.

The organisers also reserve the right to revoke the participation of any entrant in the competition if their conduct is deemed inappropriate in any way.

