

# COP21

## What's that?

The next United Nations climate conference, COP21, will be one of the biggest international summits. The stakes are high: managing the climatic disruption that threatens our societies and our economies. The conference should lead to the adoption of a universal agreement that will provide a framework for transition towards low-carbon societies and economies able to withstand climate change.

from 30 Nov.  
to 11 Dec. 2015

196 signatories  
(195 states + the European Union)

This year

Paris  
Le Bourget

France welcomes the world!

### France's dual responsibilities

1 : **Welcoming** all the participants under the best conditions for work and discussion.  
2 : **Facilitating** debates between countries and ensuring a transparent and inclusive negotiation process to favour the adoption of an agreement. This will not be an easy task, as decisions can only be taken unanimously.

### Emissions reduction targets

no more than 2°C

The aim of COP21 is to keep warming within the limit of 2 °C compared with the pre-industrial era (about 1850)

The future international agreement will first of all have to deal in a balanced way with **attenuation** – i.e. efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions – and **adapting societies** to existing climate disruption.

Before COP21, each country must publish its **national contribution**, presenting the efforts it intends to undertake.

### Financial support for developing countries

Another essential goal in Paris is to mobilise **100 billion dollars a year** (about 78 billion euros) contributed by states, international organisations and the private sector from 2020.

## **Implementing ambitious solutions**

Many large-scale initiatives are currently being developed by a variety of non-governmental bodies: cities, regions, businesses, associations, etc. This is what is described as **the Solutions Agenda**.

## **An exemplary COP**

- Less litter and waste
- Limited carbon footprint
- ISO certification for the event
- Selection of short supply chains
- Creation of activity and jobs
- Optimized transports
- Training and awareness