

# BULLETIN DE LA BAIE DES ANGES

Trocadéro Forum Institute's monthly Newsletter



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Welcome to the fourth issue of our monthly Newsletter!

Our mission is to train a new generation of leaders in Sustainable Leadership & Diplomacy, to give managers the tools to have a vision, foresight, leadership, navigate the complex geopolitical situation, all the while investing in R & D, technology and human capital and imagining and living in a sustainable inclusive city.

The Place du Trocadéro has a rich history, but one event stands out : the Universal Exhibition in 1878 and the Palais du Trocadéro designed by architects Gabriel Davioud and Jules Bourdais , which was inaugurated by French President Patrice MacMahon. The palace later transitioned to become the largest concert hall in Paris with a capacity of 4,600 seats , where Charles Lemeire painted a huge mural entitled "*La France sous les traits de l'Harmonie accueille les Nations*"

Inspired by these major events, and in the spirit of harmony and world peace, our school welcomes all nations and all peoples to join our mission of sustainability, understanding , dialogue and diplomacy .

# OPEN HOUSE , APRIL 9, 2026

## Written by the Academic Committee

We are pleased to announce that the Trocadéro Forum Institute has chosen to open its doors at the Campus Sud des Métiers at 13, Avenue Simone Veil in Nice, France.

After having visited several properties since October, the President has decided to open our school at this location in Nice .

We are pleased to bring together a renowned group of permanent and guest professors to our school, who bring with them their rich expertise and regional perspectives



Visiting the campus just before the Christmas holidays, Ellen Wasylina has made the decision to open our school there.

Here is the website : <https://www.campussuddesmetiers.com/le-campus/>

The Chambre de Commerce et Industrie (CCI) of Nice and its financial partners want to give young people the possibility to acquire a trade via an apprenticeship program with their 15 apprenticeship programs .

Stretching over 24,000 m2, the campus is powered by geothermal and solar panels , which powers the Meridia eco-quartier .

The City of Nice made the decision to heat, to cool, and provide hot sanitary water to this eco-quartier , and its 550,000m2 of buildings, , which includes 3,500m2 of housing, and 250,000m2 of tertiary buildings, thus avoiding 5,000 tons of CO2 per year .

**Come and meet us on April 9 at a different location (which you will receive once signed up) and learn more about the Vision and the Mission of our two year Masters of Arts program in Sustainable Leadership & Diplomacy .**

Fill out your application here : <https://trocaderoforum-institute.org/2026/01/27/open-house-portes-ouvertes/>

We will also be organising a weekly virtual Open House session . Sign up here : <https://trocaderoforum-institute.org/2026/02/20/virtual-open-house/>

# COMING TO NICE

Written by the Welcoming Committee

*Boana jornada ! Bonjour !*

*Coma va? Comment ça va?*

Welcome to Nice, France !

Did you know that Nice has the third largest airport in France after Paris Charles de Gaulle (CDG) and Orly airports ?

There are direct flights to 124 cities in 43 countries, as well as direct flights to 17 French cities .

The City of Nice has it all : an international airport , trains, trams, buses , museums, restaurants, mountains and the sea, and 300 days of sunshine ☀️

Now that you know a little bit more about the city of Nice and what to expect, here is a nice exhibit to visit in the Gare du Sud about Leonardo da Vinci :

<https://www.nice.fr/agenda/leonard-de-vinci-a-la-croisee-des-arts-et-des-sciences/20260220-1000/>

it's a mixture of machines he built , replicas of famous paintings, his drawings , his notebooks. organised around five themes, the exhibition explores Leonardo da Vinci from every angle:

- Leonardo and engineering, with a model of his tank and hands-on experience with Leonardo's bridge
- Leonardo and aeronautics, with the installation of his 7-meter flying wing and aerial screw
- Leonardo and urban planning, with a 3D video of Romorantin and a model of its staircases
- Leonardo and anatomy, with a reproduction of the Vitruvian Man and plates of the heart
- Leonardo and painting, with reproductions of the Mona Lisa and Lady with an Ermine.

Codices, with a touchscreen table for exploring digitized codices.





# MASTERS OF ARTS, SUSTAINABLE LEADERSHIP & DIPLOMACY

Written by the Academic Editor

## Fall 2026

We have a wonderful academic program for you in Year 1, interspersed with outings, trips, activities throughout the year .

Every week you will have a professor coming in from another country, who will teach their subject.

Let's Zoom in on November :

Ellen Wasylina continues to deliver her course on Economic Diplomacy in the morning of the first week of November, while Ambassador Samad will deliver the remainder of his course, "Principles of Diplomacy" online from inside the Beltway in Washington, D.C.

The week of November 9, Dr. Professor Nursin Ateşoğlu Güney will deliver the remainder of her course , "Introduction to Geopolitics", online in the morning , while Dr. Professor Khansa Lagdami will fly in from Sweden to deliver her first course in person, entitled, "Introduction to Maritime Law".

November 11<sup>th</sup>, *Jour de l'Armistice de 1918*, is a holiday .

The week of November 16th begins with the last class of Professors Güney and Lagdami online and ends with a 2-day workshop on "AI Policy & Governance" with Dr Anca Goron.

The last week of November concludes with 3 half-days of Cybersecurity and ends with a live 2-day exercise.

The week of November 30<sup>th</sup> is Review week, followed by our annual Christmas party and concert , which is followed by Exam week during the week of December 7.

Next month we will look at the schedule for Semester 2.

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# EXECUTIVE MASTERS IN ETHICAL SUSTAINABLE GOVERNANCE

**Written by the Academic Editor**

We designed this Executive Masters program with you in mind, tailored to your needs and to your schedule.

We recommend starting with Block 1, and combining it with 2 or 3 other blocks . Here below are our currently available blocks.

## **Block 1 : Vision to Lead**

Key words : Vision, Foresight, Management , Finance, Risk, Geopolitics, Resilience

## **Block 2 : Invest to be innovative & competitive**

Keywords : R & D, Innovation, Technology, Competitiveness, Artificial Intelligence,

## **Block 3 : Attract, retain and manage Human Capital**

Keywords : Human Capital, Ethics, Emotional Intelligence, Critical thinking, World citizen, multicultural

## **Block 4 : Manage resources sustainably while creating value**

Keywords: Sustainable Business model, Resource management, Clean mobility, sustainable liveable cities, Zero Carbon construction , supply chain, value chain

## **Block 5 : Industrial Transformation Management**

Industrial Revolution, advanced Factory Physics and Operational performance, Smart Facility design and Industry 4.0 integration

## **Block 6 : Sustainable Leadership for Women , coming soon !**

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***Professional  
Certificates will be  
open in January 2026  
on a rolling basis***  
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# SPOTLIGHT ON OUR PROFESSORS

## Dr. Professor Nursin Ateşoğlu Güney



Each month in this section, we will highlight one of our professors in our Masters of Arts program.

After Ambassador Omar Samad's course to kick off the first semester, entitled "Principles of Diplomacy", September 9-11, Dr. Professor Nursin Ateşoğlu Güney will start her course, "Introduction to Geopolitics", which is nicely twinned with her colleague's course, Dr. Professor Visne Korkmaz, entitled "History of International Relations in the Mediterranean".

Ellen Wasylyna met Dr Güney at a conference in Sofia, Bulgaria, where they were both invited to speak at a Solar Energy Forum in 2013. Ellen invited Dr Güney to join the board of her think tank, the International Geostrategic Maritime Observatory (2011-2018) and presented her article in the special Migration over Seas edition in 2016 in Paris. She currently serves as founding member, and member of the board of the Trocadéro Forum Institute.

Nursin Ateşoğlu Güney graduated in Political Science from State University College in 1979 and earned her MA (1985) and PhD (1992) in International Relations from Istanbul University. She has held various academic roles at Marmara University and is now affiliated with the National Intelligence Academy. Additionally, she is a security and nuclear energy expert at the Bilge Adamlar Center for Strategic Studies. Prof. Güney has authored numerous works on the Middle East, U.S. foreign policy, security studies, and more. She is a professor of international relations. She is president of CEMES, the Center of Mediterranean Security.

In our two-year program, she will teach the following courses:

Semester 1 : Introduction to Geopolitics

Semester 2 : Middle East Security

Semester 3 : European Security

Semester 4 : Geopolitical Outlook for the Mediterranean

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# SAVE THE DATE

## Written by the Events Editor

As we look forward to Spring, we are available to meet with you, our future students in three different ways :

1) weekly virtual Open House :  
<https://trocaderoforum-institute.org/2026/02/20/virtual-open-house/>

2) In person Open house in Nice on April 9 :  
<https://trocaderoforum-institute.org/2026/01/27/open-house-portes-ouvertes/>

3) Monthly Happy Hour in Nice :  
<https://trocaderoforum-institute.org/2026/02/23/come-and-meet-us-at-an-afterwork-near-you/>

With 16 professors in 16 cities and 15 Senior and Junior Ambassadors in a city near you, here are the cities where you will be able to meet us , and learn more about our school :

**March** : Paris;

Montpellier March 5-6; March 30-April 1st

Nice : March 26

**April** : Paris, Berlin, Dubai, Mumbai

Montpellier : April 27 - 30

Nice : April 9 and 23

**May** : Paris, Berlin, Dubai, Mumbai,

Nice : May 21st

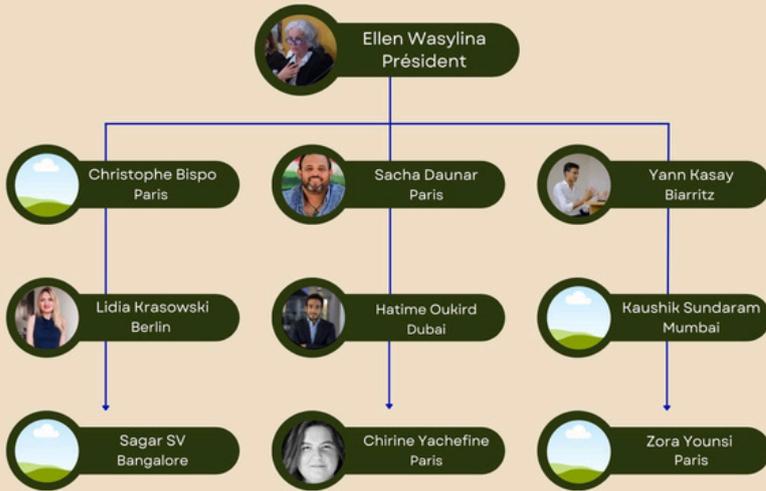
**June** : Paris, Berlin, Dubai, Mumbai,

Nice : June 25

Stay tuned to our podcast (by clicking on the logo), where Ellen will interview our new Senior and Junior Ambassadors , who will also be featured every month in the section below .

The seventh episode of Season 6 was published on February 27th at 9h CET, where Ellen interviewed Ariane Rolland in French . .





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## AMBASSADOR NOMINATIONS

Written by the Academic Counselor

We are pleased to announce that Ellen Wasylina convened three online meetings in December with her former students (2011-2016; 2021-2025) and has appointed 14 honorary senior and junior ambassadors .

During the month of January , Ellen interviewed the following ambassadors on her podcast :

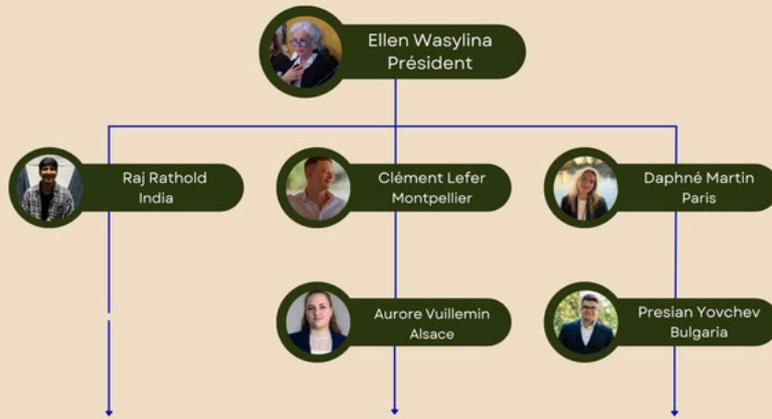
### Senior Ambassadors (2011-2016)

- Kaushik Sundaram, India
- Sagar SV, India
- Hatime Oukrid, UAE, January 22
- Yann Kasay, France
- Sacha Daunar, France
- Christophe Bispo, France
- Lidia Krasowski, Germany
- Chirine Tachefine, France
- Zora Younsi, France

### Junior Ambassadors (2020-2025)

- Clément Lefer, France
- Daphne Martin, France
- Raj Rathold, India
- Presian Yovchev, Bulgaria
- Aurore Vuillemain, France, January 6





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Here is the profile of  
**Senior Ambassador Hatime Oukrid (2013)**

Hatime is currently Global Recycling Manager at Novelis Group based in Dubai, UAE.

He met Ellen Wasylina at the Ecole Supérieure de Gestion (ESG) in 2013 .

Short bio : He is passionate about sports and always ready for new challenges. Environmentally conscious , he does his best to improve the recycling of aluminium cans.

Career highlights : 10 years in automotive industry and for 2 years now in the aluminum recycling



To read his full profile, go to his Ambassador page and learn more about him and watch his interview published on January 22 :

<https://trocaderoforum-institute.org/meet-our-tfi-senior-ambassadors/ambassador-hatime-oukrid/>



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## OFFICIAL PARTNERS

### Written by the Partnership Advisor

We are pleased to announce that Ellen Wasylina convened online meetings in January 2026 , and is pleased to announce the following partners to accompany the Trocadéro Forum Institute :

**The International Advisory Board (IAB) convened on January 13 and we are pleased to announce that the following women have accepted to join us :**

- **Zeina Barhoum , musical artist , founder of the Opéra Festival , Jordan**
- **Sylvie Gillibert , Director, ISCOM Nice, France**
- **Marina Niforos, CEO, Climate Action, Greece**
- **Maria Ramos, TRT World London Anchor, England**
- **Gisèle Widdershoven, CEO, Bluewater Stratégý, The Netherlands**

If you would like to become our partner, do contact us through the [contact form](#) on our website .





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## **CELEBRATING THE WOMEN AT TFI**

**Written by the Partnership Advisor**

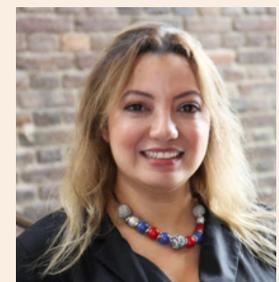
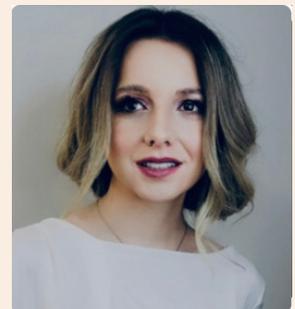
**We would like to honor the women in March on the occasion of International Women's Day , notably :**

**Leila Abbassi  
Dr Anca Goron  
Carole Grimaud  
Dr. Professor Nursin Ateşoğlu Güney  
Dr. Professor Visne Korkmaz  
Dr Khanssa Lagdami  
Dr Rachael Rudolph  
Dr Oana Mihaela Vladu  
Marisa Zalabak**

**We would also like to honor our Senior and Junior Ambassadors :**

**Lidia Krasowski  
Chirine Tachfine**

**Daphne Martin  
Aurore Vuillemin**





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## NICE CULINARY SPECIALITIES

Written by the Culinary editor

Coming to Nice will not only be an academic experience, but a culinary one .

Food is the best way to get to know people, how they eat, what they like, what fruits and vegetables they use in their daily meals .

**For Easter in Nice, the "lou chaudèu" or l'échaudé" is the traditional Easter brioche .**

L'échaudé est un gâteau en couronne, parfois tressé, dans lequel des œufs durs sont enserrés. Dans la vitrine à l'approche de Pâques, on en trouve de différentes tailles. Ornés d'un œuf pour les échaudés individuels, mais aussi de quatre ou six œufs.

La tradition veut qu'il y en ait autant que de membres de la famille.

Here is the link to the [recipe](#) in French .

Joyeuses Fêtes de Pâques !

photo :  
<https://www.nicematin.com/loisirs/gastronomie/la-recette-du-jour-lu-chaudeu-ou-l-echaude-129012>

