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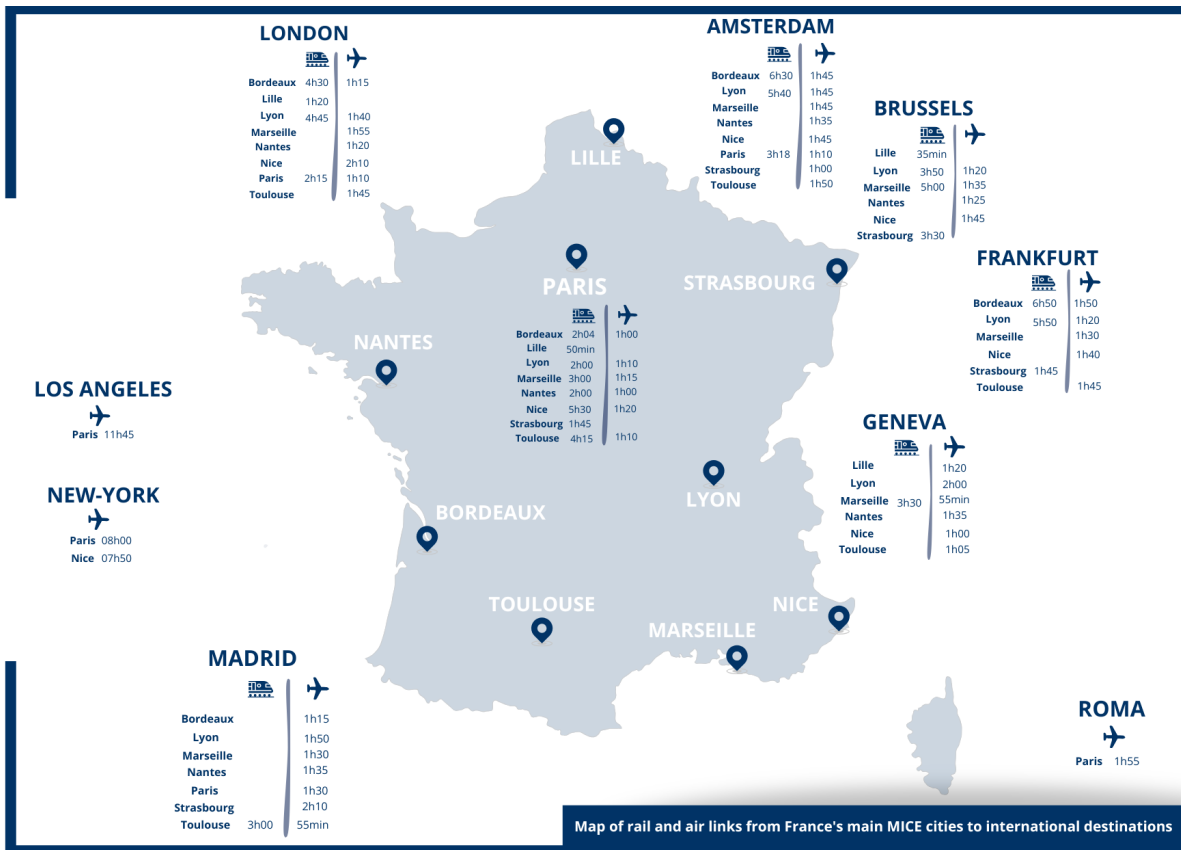
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## Geographical Advantage

Strategically located in the heart of Europe, France offers easy access to neighboring countries. Key destinations are situated just a few hours away, within a radius of approximately 2,000 kilometers (1,242 miles) from Paris, making it an ideal hub for international events.



## Air Connectivity

France boasts a comprehensive network of over 150 airports, including 11 international hubs, facilitating global travel connections. Paris-Charles-de-Gaulle Airport stands as one of the busiest airports worldwide, offering direct flights from numerous international destinations. Other major airports contributing to France's accessibility include Paris-Orly, Nice Côte d'Azur, Lyon-Saint-Exupéry, and Marseille Provence.

## High-Speed Rail Network

The French high-speed rail system, known as the TGV (Train à Grande Vitesse), is renowned for its efficiency and speed. The network encompasses over 2,800 kilometers of high-speed lines, allowing trains to operate at speeds up to 320 km/h (200 mph).

This extensive network ensures that key destinations within France and neighboring European countries are easily accessible. For instance, direct high-speed TGV lines connect major French cities to European capitals daily. Notable routes include:

- **TGV Lyria:** Geneva to Paris in approximately 3 hours and 8 minutes.
- **Eurostar:** London to Paris in about 2 hours and 17 minutes.
- **Thalys:** Brussels to Paris in roughly 1 hour and 22 minutes.

These connections significantly reduce travel times, catering effectively to the needs of MICE events.

## Road Infrastructure

Complementing its air and rail services, France possesses one of Europe's longest and safest road networks. This extensive system ensures that guests are never far from a plane, train, or vehicle, providing flexibility and convenience in travel arrangements.

**In summary, France's unparalleled accessibility through its advanced air, rail, and road networks, combined with its strategic geographical position, makes it a top choice for hosting successful MICE events.**

# Major French transportation partners

## Air France, the National Airline



Air France, the national airline, connects Paris to **more than 170 destinations worldwide** and **more than 1,000** in association with its Skyteam partners.

Air France celebrates the **French art of living**, making each trip an experience in its own right. With menus concocted by **Michelin-starred chefs**, a wine and champagne list designed by a head sommelier, lounges designed by renowned designers and architects, upmarket cabins and uniforms created by the greatest couturiers, Air France takes elegance to new heights every day.

To reduce its environmental footprint as quickly as possible, Air France has undertaken to **cut its CO2 emissions by 30% per passenger-kilometer by 2030** compared with 2019. By renewing its fleet with latest-generation aircraft that consume up to 25% less fuel, by investing in sustainable aviation fuels that reduce CO2 emissions by 75% on average over the fuel's life cycle, by using eco-piloting on all its flights, by introducing more responsible catering and by developing combined train and air on routes in France and Europe that allow it, Air France is taking action to limit the impact of its activity on the environment.

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