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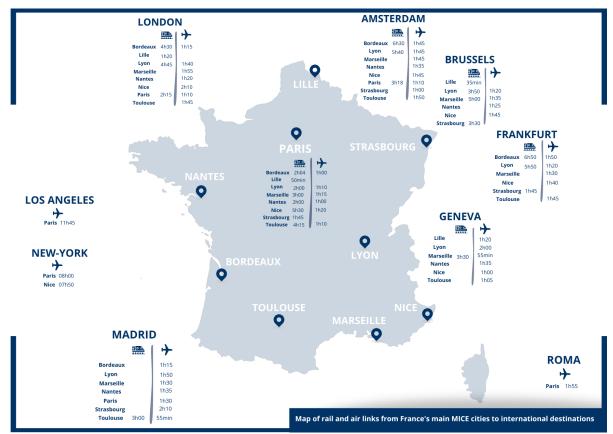
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## **Geographical Advantage**

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-KLM Global Meetings & Events**

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Since it was founded in 1933, Air France has offered its passengers a unique experience on board its aircraft, which serve a vast network worldwide.

Structured around three main activities -passenger transport, cargo and air craft maintenance-Air France has become a major player in the airline industry thanks to the hard work and commitment of its employees.

As an Ambassador for France, Air France showcases the talents of our country while offering excellent service. In 2004, Air France, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines and Transavia have formed the Air France-KLM group.

## **Commitment Sustainable Development**

- Certifitied LEED (Leadership and Energy and Environmental Design)
- And High Environmental Quality

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