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- in the French language evaluation and audit assignments;
- discussion seminars;
- logistic support for the implementation of linguistic immersion courses and certifications;
- evaluation and certification accreditations (DILF, DELF and DALF certificates).

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- schooling for children with disabilities;
- education assistant designation and training;
- vocational training for adults, staff, and member training (educational advisers, school leaders, inspectors).

Secondary education

- Mauritius: training for teachers, educators and mentors of students with disabilities in partnership with the Mauritius Induction Federation and with Handicap International - HMI.
- Madagascar: strengthening instructors’ French language skills.
- Comoros: vocational and academic support and vocational skills development for teachers and educational staff.
- Mozambique: strengthening instructors’ French language skills.
- Botswana: academic and vocational training for teachers, and educational staff.
- Mauritius, Madagascar: linguistic and vocational training at the Academic Centre for the Education of New Entrants (CASNAV), the Local Public Teaching Establishment (EPEL), and regional authorities (the regional council, the central council, the Le Tampon local authority);
- other organisations: the France Volunteers Foundation, the Information Centre for Educational Training and the Regional Observatory for Employment and Training (Carit-On) and the Raman-Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCIR).

Promote the French Language and Educational Expertise

International cooperation in teaching

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Evaluation and certification

- examiner training and accreditation for the DELF and the DALF certificates;
- technological and logistical support for DELF and DALF/DALF certificate examination centres in Neuenburg.
- technical expertise and support for the distribution of certifications in the region’s educational systems (the French Compentence Test -TCF, DELF for schools, DULF- Prm certificate).

Higher education

- Réunion: educational follow-up and support for professors in French as a Foreign Language (FLE) baccaulaureate and masters programmes.
- Mozambique: strengthening instructors’ French language educational skills.

Vocational and training education

- Madagascar: Comoros strengthening the skills of craftsmen instructors.

A Network of Partners

The Regional Centre in Réunion supports a joint strategy between:

- the partners in Réunion
- the regional State (prefecture, Réunion Local Education Authority, universities [Professorship and Education Universities (ESPE), South and North Masion des Langues language centre, the INFECO, the French as a Foreign Language department], the Regional Centre of Pedagogical Documentation (CDP);
- the Academic Centre for the Education of New Arrivals (CASNAV), the Local Public Teaching Establishment (EPEL);
- regional authorities (the regional council, the general council, the Le Tampon local authority);
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Régional Centre

A Place for Communication, Learning, and Reflection

The CIEP Regional Centre organizes seminars, workshops, and training sessions dealing with languages and teaching on a regional level where participants can share their experiences and promote actions and links in the educational systems of the region's countries.

- partners in the region’s countries:
  - French embassies
  - National Education and Foreign Affairs ministries
  - universities
  - French language teachers’ associations
  - the Alliance Francaise French-language promotion organisation
  - associations and foundations
  - international organizations

- donor agencies:
  - bilateral donors: Foreign Affairs Ministry, French Agency for Development (AFD)
  - multilateral donors: the European Union, the International Organisation of La Francophonie (OIF), the Francophone University Agency (AUF), the World Bank

Francophonie, promotion of French and Réunion cultures

- with INONA and SADOC: linguistic and vocational immersion in Réunion.
- Lesotho, Tanzania,
- Témoins de langue and cultural immersion courses for French language students and teachers.

Regional seminars

- Post-primary Vocational Education and Training 2003
- Schooling for Children with Disabilities - 2012
- Language exchange platform on this subject was held for the 6 islands in the Indian Ocean.
- The Role of Digitisation in Language Learning - 2013

A Welcoming Area with Lodgings

- 3 classrooms with multimedia equipment
- 1 computer lab equipped with 12 stations and an interactive whiteboard
- 12 lodging available (rooms in homes, apartments, guesthouses, and in international foster homes)
- A library shared with the university
- A language and equipment lab
- Videos shared with the South Masion des Langues language centre
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- Evaluation and audit assignments;
- Discussion seminars;
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- Evaluation and certification accreditations (DELF, DELF-DALF certificates).

**INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN TEACHING**

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- Schooling for children with disabilities;
- Education assistant designation and training;
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**SECONDARY EDUCATION**

- Mauritius: French language training for teachers, educators and mentors of students with disabilities in partnership with the Mauritius Induction Federation and with Handicap International – HIM.
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- Comoros: institutional support and vocational skills development for teachers and educational staff.

**EVALUATION AND CERTIFICATION**

- Biennial: annual follow-up and support for pedagogues in French as a Foreign Language (FLE) instruction and masters programmes.

**VOCATIONAL TEACHING AND TRAINING**

- Madagascar: Comoros strengthening the skills of craftsmen instructors.

**HIGHER EDUCATION**

- Mozambique: French language educational advisers training.

**NETWORK OF PARTNERS**

The Regional Centre in Réunion supports a joint strategy between:

- the partners in Réunion
  - regional authorities (the regional council, the general council, the Le Tampon local authority);
  - other organisations: the France Volunteers Foundation, the Information Centre for Educational Training and the Regional Observatory for Employment and Training (Cant-CI);
  - the Academic Centre for the Education of New Entrepreneurs (EPLE);
  - the Regional Centre of Pedagogical Documentation (CRDP);
  - the Academic Centre for the Education of New Arrivals (CASNAV), the Local Public Teaching Establishment (EPLE);
  - the regional council; the general council, the Le Tampon local authority;
  - Higher education – the partners in the region’s countries:
    - French universities
    - National Education and Foreign Affairs ministries
    - International cooperation in teaching
    - Francophone, promotion of French and Réunion cultures
      - within COMESA and SADC: linguistic and vocational immersion in Réunion.
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    - Tansie linguistic and cultural immersion courses for French language students and teachers.

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**THE ROLE OF DIGITISATION IN LANGUAGE LEARNING - 2013**

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