



**DEFI Inter-Alliances 2025  
RULES and REGULATIONS**

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**ARTICLE 1 - Organizers**

The Alliances Françaises of INDIA, non-profit associations and the Fondation des Alliances Françaises, based in Paris, are the organizers of the fifth edition of "DEFI Inter-Alliances" competition, hereinafter **referred to as "LE DEFI" or "the competition"**.

**ARTICLE 2 - Purpose of the competition**

Competitors are invited to take part in a general knowledge quiz, in French, via the Kahoot digital platform.

The competition is divided into **four stages**:

- a local selection phase organized by each participating Alliance,
- a national selection phase (national final) or regional selection phase (if several countries),
- one **semi-final** per geographical zone
- an international final.

*Participating Alliances are free to organize selections either face-to-face or remotely.*

**\* Alliances Française de Delhi will conduct the local phase in hybrid mode via Kahoot app. (see art.3 & 6)**

- Alliances Française de Delhi will organize its own local selection **on April 26 at 2 pm**. (Registration deadline: 20th April, 5pm)
- The national final will take place in virtual format **on May 16 at 4 pm and will be organized by the Alliance Française network in India.**
- The **semi-final** by geographical zone will take place in virtual format **on Saturday May 24** (times by zone to be confirmed).
- The international final will take place in person, **at the Alliance Française de Nice, during the week of July 21, 2025**

**ARTICLE 3 - Terms and conditions of participation**

Participation in the contest is entirely free of charge.

The competition is open to all learners enrolled in French courses at Alliances Française de Delhi under the following conditions:

- be at least 18 years old **on July 15, 2025**
- have an A2, B1, B2, C1 or C2 level of French - or a level in the process of being acquired
- not be a member of the staff or board of directors of an Alliance
- do not have French as their mother tongue

**Special provision:**

People who have won an international final in previous editions (2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024) will not be able to take part in the DEFI Inter-Alliances 2025.

Learners who do not meet these criteria will not be able to participate.

An Alliance Française learner is any person enrolled in a group French course, face-to-face or online, on the date of registration.

Participation in the contest implies full acceptance of these rules, and participants must comply with all conditions. Failure to comply with the conditions of participation set out in these rules will invalidate the participant's entry.

The first 3 selection phases - local, national and geographic semi-finals - will take place as follows: a general culture questionnaire in French using the Kahoot digital platform.

For the local phase, the participants are welcomed to choose their mode of participation in the Google form: online or offline,

- **Online participants** are required to use two digital devices to take part, via two easy-to-access and free platforms (a computer or tablet or smartphone to access **Zoom** for the virtual play area, and a smartphone to answer the questionnaire from the **Kahoot app**).
- **Participants joining in person** at Alliances Française de Delhi are required to bring one digital device (a computer or tablet or smartphone) to answer the questionnaire from the Kahoot app.

The international final will take place in person via the Kahoot app. Finalists must use only their smartphones, with questions projected onto a screen and internet connection provided by the organizers.

The competition is conducted in French only, and the general culture questions are also written in French only.

Answers to the general knowledge quiz on the Kahoot platform will be scored and ranked:

- The two participants in the local selection with the most points will be named finalists and will represent their Alliance at the national selection.
- The two participants in the national selection who score the most points will be named finalists, and will represent their "national" network in **the semi-finals by geographical zone**.
- The participant ranked first **in the semi-finals** of each geographical zone will take part in the international finals in **Nice** - transport and accommodation provided by the organizers. **Geographical zones are based on the geographical breakdown of the Fondation des Alliances Françaises - organizer of the competition.**
- The participant in the international final with the most points will be declared the winner of the competition.

**ARTICLE 4 - Prices**

For the local selections, the first 2 winners will be awarded with a bag of goodies by Alliance Française de Delhi, apart from their participation in the national selection.

For the national selection, the first 2 winners, apart from their participation in the **semi-final by geographical zone**, will also be awarded by IFI.

For the **semi-final by geographical zone**, the winners (1 per zone) will be offered a stay in Nice during the week of **July 21 to 27, 2025**, to take part in the International Final. (The dates of the stay may be subject to change, provided they remain within the same period).

The stay includes:

- Accommodation,
- Transportation from the airport closest to the winner's home to **Nice**, and from **Nice** to the airport of departure. Tickets for intercity transport (bus, metro, RER, etc.) are not included.
- An allowance of €400.

All other costs not included in the prize (insurance, additional luggage, etc.) will be borne by the winners. In the event that the winner needs to obtain a visa to travel to France, it is the winner's responsibility to make the necessary arrangements. Winners are responsible for ensuring that they meet the requirements for travel to France.

**In the event of visa refusal or inability to travel, the participant ranked second in the semi-final will be offered participation in the Final.**

4.1. Validity

Winners of the **semi-finals by geographical zone** must be available to attend the international final in **Nice during the week of July 21, 2025**. Unavailability constitutes grounds for cancellation of the prize. In this case, the second-ranked participant will be designated the zone winner and invited to the international final.

Winners of the regional final may not transfer their prize to a relative.

**ARTICLE 5 - Image rights**

Local, national and **semi-final** selections by geographical zone, as well as the international final, may be broadcast live or deferred on the websites and social networks of participating Alliances, organizers and competition partners.

By participating in the contest, entrants authorize the organizers to use their first and last names, as well as their city and country of residence, in any publicity or promotional event, on the websites and social networks of the organizers and contest partners, and on any affiliated website or medium, without this use giving rise to any right or remuneration other than the prize awarded for this operation.

Participation in the present operation implies authorization for the image of participants, if they are declared winners (local, national, **by geographical area** or international), to be distributed to the organizers to reproduce and exploit their entries, their names and their images on all media (website; social networks; press; events; etc.) for the purposes of promoting the operation, in the year following the operation. This use will not give rise to any compensation other than the prize. Participants acknowledge that the use of their image in no way constitutes an obligation for the organizer of the operation. In addition, participants acknowledge that they will have no right to view the photographs selected. Consequently, they will not have the possibility of objecting to their distribution, in accordance with the terms of the present rules.

**ARTICLE 6 – Responsibilities**

6.1 Organizers' responsibilities

- **The organizers cannot be held responsible if, in the event of force majeure or any other cause, the competition has to be postponed, shortened or cancelled.**
- The organizers reserve the right to extend or limit the participation period, to postpone or modify the conditions of the contest, and cannot be held liable in any way.
- Additions and modifications to these rules may be published during the competition. They will be considered as annexes to the present rules.
  
- **The organizers cannot be held responsible for any malfunctions linked to the Internet network** itself or to any intrusion, attempted intrusion, fraud, technical failure or any other cause beyond the control of the organizers that may lead to failures in the administration, security, fairness, integrity or management of the contest.
- The organizers cannot be held responsible for Internet network congestion, the quality of participants' equipment, or the quality of their access mode, which could have repercussions on the time taken to send responses or on the connection time required to participate.
- Participants will not be entitled to claim any compensation in the event of any of the aforementioned incidents, or in the event of any modification or cancellation of the competition.

6.2 Participant responsibilities

Participants are expressly reminded that it is their sole responsibility to ensure that the information they provide when registering for the contest, in particular their contact details, is correct and sincere, and that it will enable them to take part in the contest.

Participants selected to take part in the national selection, **the semi-final** by geographical area and/or the international final must ensure that they are available on the dates specified. If they are not available on these dates, for whatever reason, their participation will be cancelled.

It is the responsibility of all participants to take all appropriate measures to protect their own data and/or software stored on their computer equipment against any attack. Participants are entirely responsible for their participation in the contest.

Participation in the competition implies a loyal attitude and compliance with the rules. The organizers reserve the right to disqualify, without notice, and/or not to award a prize to any participant who fails to comply with the rules.

*The organizers also reserve the right to revoke the participation of any participant if his/her conduct is deemed inappropriate.*

**By entering this competition, participants tacitly accept the provisions of these rules and authorize the participating and organizing Alliances Française to publish their name and any data that identifies them or could lead to their identification.**