



PRESS RELEASE

Tensions and opportunities in the Indian Ocean Understanding the world around us

The University of La Réunion will host on Wednesday, February 05 and Thursday, February 06, 2025 the 2nd edition of the 2 Days conference on the Indo-Pacific organized by the regional association of auditors of the Institute of Advanced National Defense Studies of the Indian Ocean (AR 27) and Emmanuelle Crane Consulting.

Senior researchers coming from six countries, diplomats, military personnel, senior officials, elected officials, association leaders and analysts will attend and debate on seven panels on the following themes: intercultural dialogue, diplomacy and influence, governance and regional cooperation, crisis management and maritime security, sustainable development and protection of biodiversity and oceans. Some thirty speakers will focus on the topic:

Peace and security : Geopolitical issues and challenges in the Indian Ocean. Sovereignty, security, biodiversity in the Indo-Pacific: comparing challenges posed by the threat and strength of regional and international cooperation.

An innovative approach based on **multiple perspectives** of high-level speakers, experts from the Indian Ocean coming from Australia, the United States, India, Germany, Denmark and The Reunion. They will question the word "INDOPACIFIC" from a global and territorial perspective.

One major challenge is to raise awareness and acculturate as many people and especially the youth, on defence and security issues in a global geopolitical perspective.

This event organized in REUNION highlights the role French overseas territories play in the security envisioned by France, the second maritime power in the world by the size of its EEZ.

The regional association of auditors of the Institute of Advanced National Defense Studies of the Indian Ocean (AR 27) is proud to support defense issues in the Indian Ocean and has done so for 35 years in La Réunion & Mayotte. It is a member of the Union-IHEDN which is celebrating in 2025 its 50th anniversary.

This event is sponsored by numerous partners: the University of La Réunion, the French Ministry of the Armed Forces, the French Development Agency (AFD) and Emmanuelle Crane Consulting.

As part of the new "Safe Seas Africa" (SSA) programme for maritime security in Africa, the European Union is also contributing to the financing and promotion of the Indian Ocean Commission.

**Location: University of La Réunion, February 5 and 6, 2025
Bioclimatic Amphitheater 550 from 7:30 a.m. Or online**

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