The IdA works to bring together the academic specialists in American studies and the political, diplomatic and economic key players in Europe and the Americas. It organizes meetings to provide scientific understanding of various American current issues. This promotion of academic research enables the Institute to promote the spread of its expertise serving society issues. The collaborations with companies and other actors contribute to the high quality of the Institute’s expertise.

Since January 2011, the Institute of the Americas has a strategic partnership, on behalf of France, with the EU-LAC Foundation, as a leader in the field of “intellectual exchanges concerning regional integration dynamics in the globalization context.”

This partnership strives to analyze and strengthen bi-regional relations; further the Europeanization of French projects in Latin America and the Caribbean; as well as develop academic and research networks.

Since April 2010, the Institute of the Americas has had an endowment fund which can receive donations from businesses and individuals and issue tax receipts to donors. Supporting the IdA will help to promote research on the Americas and French higher education.
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**RESEARCH**

The IdA evaluates applications for annual calls to support the doctoral research and scientific events.

It suggests a dissertation prize testifying of the network support to doctoral training which is a central element of the IdA’s policy.

The IdA contributes to the spread of French scientific research through the publishing partnerships with Armand Colin and Rennes University Press, as well as through the publication of the four-language online journal, IdeAs.

**PROMOTING RESEARCH**

The IdA aims at promoting Americanist research, conducted in France, in social sciences and humanities.

To achieve this goal, it counts with:
- Research tools for the Americas Institute’s academic network (Directories, Newsletters, digitising book collections)
- New ways of promoting research (video programs, particularly with «Entrevue» and «Avis d’Expert»)

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Robert Boyer (Économiste et membre du Conseil scientifique de l’IdA)

Le vote religieux dans les dernières élections
USA Blandine Chelini-Pont (Histoire, AMU)

Les politiques indigénistes d’intégration dans l’Oaxaca
Guillaume Duarte, doctorant pôle Mexique

**INTERNATIONAL**

One of the most important aspects of the Institute of the Americas is its international projection on the American continent.

By setting up twelve international centres, the IdA seeks to ensure the spread of French research about the Americas and to promote French higher education. These international centres are run in the premises of French institutions, universities and American partners by PhD students enjoying PhD contracts marked “Institute of the Americas”.

The Institute of the Americas ensures the promotion of international Chairs for the studies of the Americas in France.

To complete these projects successfully, the IdA receives support notably from the French Ministry of Higher Education and Research and the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs.

The Institute of the Americas membership consists of more than 60 French higher education institutions and research institutes. It brings together more than 1,000 researchers.

The IdA promotes the development of joint projects among French, North and Latin American researchers and scholars. These missions benefit from the IdA’s organizational structure comprising regional centers.

The Institute of the Americas coordinates studies on the Americas in the humanities and social sciences by developing a trans-American and transdisciplinary approach. It is a network:
- of research,
- of international cooperation,
- of research promoting
- of partnerships.

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