

THE FUTURE OF FRENCH ~~X~~ *EN ÉCOSSE*

French Forward 

Join us for a free in-person
conference for all teachers of
French at primary, secondary
and tertiary level

Monday 22 June 2026
University of Aberdeen



Registration and coffee from 9:45

Welcome:
10:00

Michelle McLeod, *Head of the School of Language, Literature, Music and Visual Culture (LLMVC), University of Aberdeen*
Stéphane Pailler, *Consul général de France à Édimbourg et Glasgow*

Keynote
panel
10:15

A roundtable focused on French in Scotland across the different levels of language teaching (primary, secondary and higher education)

Dr Fiona Barclay, *Senior Lecturer in French, University of Stirling; Chair of University Council For Languages Scotland*
Charles Forsdick, *Professor in French, University of Cambridge; British Academy Lead Fellow for Languages*
Lisa Hanna, *Senior Education Officer for Languages, Education Scotland; Depute Director of SCILT; Teaching Fellow at the University of Strathclyde*
John Paul Cassidy, *HM Inspectorate of Education*
Laurence Findlay, *Director of Education and Children's Services in Aberdeenshire Council; President of the Association of Directors of Education in Scotland*
A Principal Teacher of Languages, Aberdeen City Council

Workshops
11:35

Employability - Advocating for French Language skills

French Language ambassadors - Sharing and shaping language learning

13:10
LUNCH

Le marché - networking and stalls
James McKay Hall and Gallery

- Institut français d'Écosse
- Alliance française de Glasgow
- Franco-Scottish Society, Aberdeen branch
- French Film Festival Learning Programme
- CLE International
- Tania Czajka Creative Puppetry
- Campus France
- Aberlangs
- Languages Gateway
- Écoles FLAM

Workshops
14:00

Promoting the use of French in the classroom (FLE)

Keeping the Fun in French across the curriculum

Presentation
15:50

Languages and Coding

16:30

Closing session

Followed by networking reception until 17:30