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FRENCH MEDIA LEADER TO LAUNCH "LE MONDE IN ENGLISH"A DAILY DIGITAL EDITION TODAY

ENHANCES AUDIENCE FOR ITS 500JOURNALISTS

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With "Le Monde in English," English-speaking readers will be able to enjoy this unique, independent and balanced perspective on international news, geopolitics, the environmental crisis and major economic and social issues. With our newsroom of 500 journalists, 50 correspondents around the world, as well as its desk in Los Angeles, Le Monde is equipped to provide wide ranging and in-depth coverage of the events that are shaping the planet and the debates taking place in our societies. Offering Le Monde in English helps to diversify the media landscape and meets the growing demand for quality reporting."

JEROME FENOGLIO IS THE DIRECTOR OF LE MONDE GROUP SINCE 2015

"Le Monde in English" "Le Monde in English" is a separate website that is a mirror image of Le Monde's website, with an English interface. The articles that are published daily on the Le Monde website are translated into English and made available through a specific subscription to "Le Monde in English." A daily newsletter with a selection of articles in English is offered to readers. An editorial process involving two networks of English-speaking translators and a team of dedicated journalists The translation of Le Monde articles is done by two American translation agencies, ProofReadingServices.com* and Lionbridge** who use a network of professional native English speaking translators, with help from an artificial intelligence system. Then a team of journalists from Le Monde's newsroom, split between its Paris and Los Angeles offices, polish, enrich and publish the articles online. This complete translation circuit guarantees the same level of reliable and verified content in "Le Monde in English" as in the French articles.

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ABOUT LEMONDE

From a single, double-sided page printed in 1944, Le Monde has since blossomed into a large media group, with more than 5 million daily clicks on its site (1). From print to web, there are over 500 journalists working for Le Monde, with many serving as foreign correspondents. The creation of a group helped strengthen its values of independence and its commitment to quality reporting. Digital developments let to an increase in readership and distribution, helping Le Monde reach heights it had never seen in its history: 513,921 subscribers, including 426,772 online (2). Le Monde's editorial freedom and ability to do investigative reporting, long-form articles and to provide reliable, contextualized and in-depth information is reinforced by this high circulation. 1. Piano Analytics, average for the year 2021 2. Publisher source, February 2022

LE MONDE IN FIGURES

- The Le Monde brand brings together 21.3 million readers and web users each month (1).
- Le Monde's website has 17.1 million unique visitors each month (2).
- The daily edition of Le Monde is read by 2.6 million readers every day (3).
- Le Monde has 513,921 print and digital subscribers (4)
- Website's traffic comes from abroad, some 23 million out of 151 million visits per month (5).
- A strong reputation abroad 88 % of subscribers to other foreign news media are familiar with Le Monde (6).

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