





### HIGH LIGHTS 2025





### 2025 Year in Review

s 2025 comes to a close, the French Chamber of Great Britain looks back on a year defined by renewal, resilience, and forward momentum within the Franco-British business community.

This has been a year of transition and fresh energy for the Chamber, with the arrival of our new Managing Director, Sébastien Joly, in May. Under his leadership, the Chamber has reaffirmed its mission to be the voice of Franco-British business — a platform where companies of all sizes can connect, collaborate, and grow.

A key milestone in this renewed chapter has been our first Franco-British Business Conference, held in London in June. This flagship event marks the first of many in the Chamber's renewed ambition to elevate our community's voice across all our activities. The event brought together senior executives, policymakers, and thought leaders to explore how Franco-British collaboration can drive competitiveness, innovation, and sustainable growth in a rapidly changing global economy.

Throughout 2025, our members have

continued to demonstrate agility and creativity in the face of evolving political and economic realities. From energy and digital transformation to trade and skills, the Franco-British business community has once again shown its ability to turn challenge into opportunity, proving that collaboration across the Channel remains a powerful driver of progress.

Looking ahead to 2026, the Chamber will build on this strong foundation to expand its advocacy work, deepen cross-sector collaboration, and help members navigate the key transitions shaping our economies. With major milestones ahead, including the 2026 Franco-British Business Conference and an evolving bilateral agenda, we are committed to amplifying the collective voice of business and strengthening the ties that unite our two nations.

We thank all our members, partners, and friends for their continued trust and engagement, and we look forward to shaping another year of Franco-British success together.

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**New members** 

351 Total number of members

+48 **New business** services clients

240 Total number of clients

+6 new Patron members













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#### Guest speaker highlights

- H.E Ms Hélène Duchêne,
   French Ambassador to the UK
- Pedro Serrano, EU
   Ambassador to the UK
- Julia Prescot CBE, Co-Founder at Meridiam, Deputy Chair at National Infrastructure Commission
- Dame Julia Hoggett DBE,
   CEO, London Stock Exchange
- Tom Standage, Deputy Editor, The Economist and Editor, "The World Ahead 2026"



#### The 2025 Winners

London
Philharmonic
Orchestra





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**About the Winners** 



#### FRANCO-BRITISH

#### **BUSINESS CONFERENCE**

2025

Our inaugural Franco-British Business Conference marked a defining moment in our advocacy calendar. Bringing together senior leaders from government, industry and academia, this event explored how the UK and France can deepen collaboration in defence, energy and AI to further mutual growth, innovation and resilience.





**191**Participants

Over
100
Companies

21 Speakers

40% of participants at director level or above

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#### Engagement at the highest level

- We were invited to share our insights ahead of the **UK-France Summit** (July 2025), to convey the voice and needs of our business community directly to government.
- We organised strategic briefings with French Ambassador Hélène Duchêne, EU Ambassador Pedro Serrano, and DBT Permanent Secretary Gareth Davies, giving members direct access to key decision-makers.
- We continued acting as a bridge between business and key institutions through our quarterly check-in calls with the French Embassy, EU delegation and Bank of England.







#### **Delivering Impact**



Stay informed with the French Chamber's latest analysis, thought leadership, and policy insights. This section brings together our articles on current affairs, economic trends, and the Franco-British business landscape, alongside updates on our advocacy efforts. Discover how we represent the voice of our members and engage with key stakeholders to drive impact and shape the future of business between France and the UK.

Read the articles

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#### Empowering our members with strategic intelligence

- We delivered a comprehensive programme of briefings, roundtables, articles and expert sessions, giving members timely analysis in a fast-moving geopolitical, economic and regulatory environment
- Our events and content covered major developments from **US elections** to the **AI Summit** and the future of **EU-UK relations**.







Strengthened Franco—British thought leadership through the co-publication of a green paper with Pinsent Masons on the future of AI collaboration and the strategic value of cross-Channel partnership.

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#### Our webinars:

We provided high-impact webinars offering real-time insights on global developments and their implications for business leaders.









### Happy Holidays! We look forward to seeing you all in 2026

