

## The Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs signs a new contract of agreed objectives with Canal France International (CFI), a subsidiary of France Médias Monde

Mrs. Chrysoula Zacharopoulou, Secretary of State to the Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, with responsibility for Development and International Partnerships, and Thierry Vallat, CEO of Canal France International (CFI), signed a new five-year (2024-2028) contract of agreed objectives on Saturday 20 July, in the presence of Mrs. Marie-Christine Saragosse, CEO of France Médias Monde.

CFI, a subsidiary of the <u>France Médias Monde</u> group <u>(RFI,France24,Monte Carlo Doualiya)</u> is the operator of the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE) responsible for supporting the media throughout the world, mainly in Africa and the Arab world. Its work is part of France's official development assistance policy.

The new contract of agreed objectives was signed at Île St Denis on the occasion of the inauguration of the "Station Afrique", an open area for meetings and discussion dedicated to the African continent and set up for the Paris 2024 Games , in the presence of African sports journalists invited by CFI to cover the event.

This contract of agreed objectives is a continuation of the previous one and sets ambitious targets for CFI, particularly in four priority areas: the fight against disinformation, the defence of equality between men and women, environmental protection and the promotion of democracy and public involvement, particularly among young people.

Thierry Vallat, CEO of CFI, said : " It is a great honour and an immense pleasure for CFI to sign this contract of agreed objectives with the Secretary of State in the presence of our African friends and partners, whose commitment to freedom of information inspires and challenges us".

"The development of the media and the media for the purposes of development: this is the conviction that drives our actions and the remarkable work of CFI! This contract of agreed objectives confirms and strengthens the French government's support for CFI, a key player in the policy of international partnerships that France is implementing around the world", says Secretary of State Chrysoula Zacharopoulou.

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## **About Canal France International**

CFI works to promote media development worldwide, particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa, the Arab world and the countries of the European Union neighbourhood. The focus of our actions: countering disinformation, promoting gender equality, protecting the environment, promoting democracy and civic engagement. CFI is an operator of the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs and a subsidiary of the France Médias Monde Group. <u>cfi.fr</u>

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