



**Comité**  
**des Jumelages**  
ANGOULÊME/VILLES ÉTRANGÈRES

## **TWINNING COMMITTEE OF ANGOULÊME**

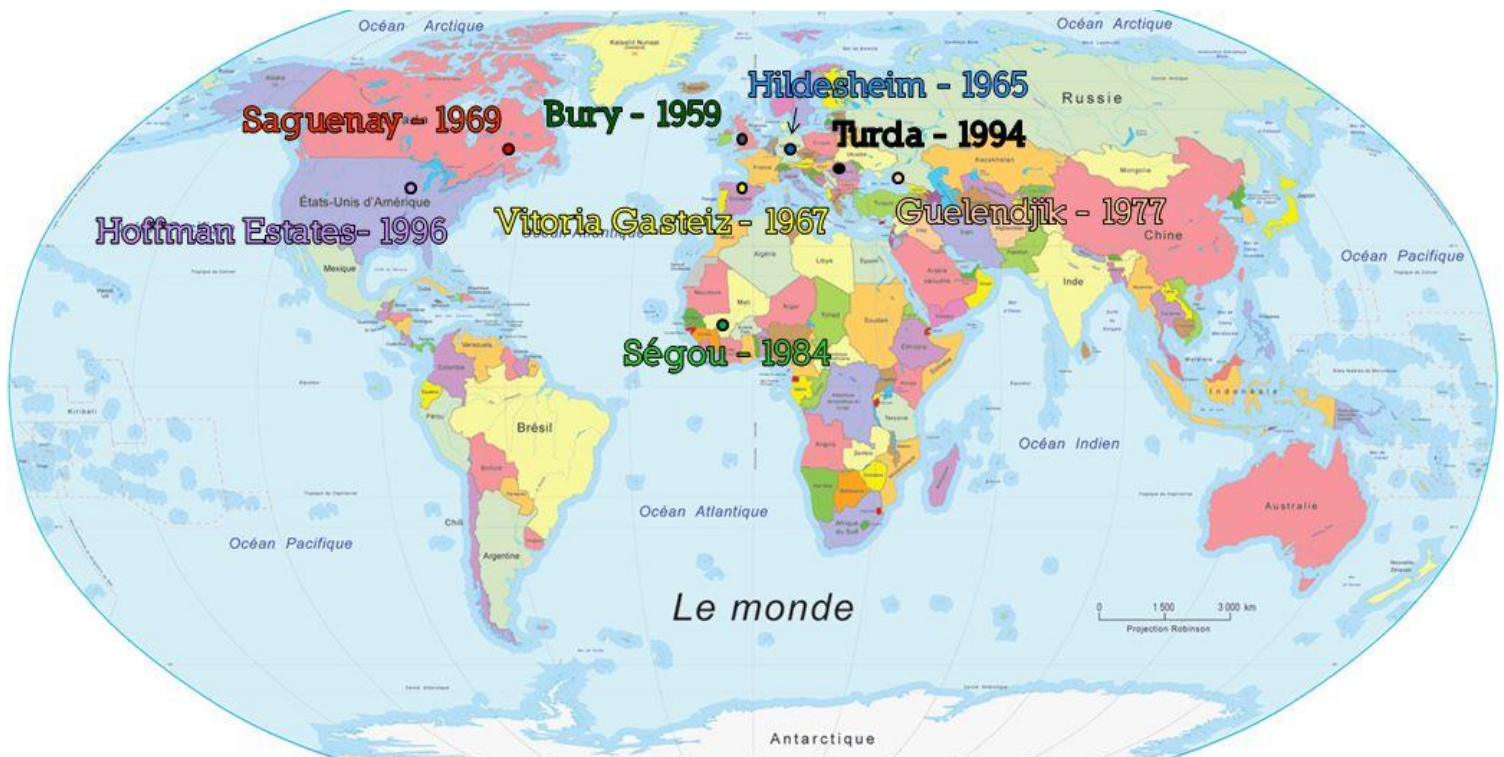
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# OUR SISTER CITIES



# WHO ARE WE?

The Twinning Committee of Angoulême is an association whose goal is to gather democratically citizens from all social and professional backgrounds. Its objectives are to :

- Promote exchanges and cooperation between the cities and their citizens.
- Further friendship, mutual knowledge and intercultural dialogue for peace.
- Participate in the European construction, the reinforcement of the feeling of affiliation to the EU and the emergence of a common identity respectful of diversity.

The Angoulême Twinning Committee is bound to the **Council of Angoulême** by an **agreement** for a **general interest mission**. This mission covers the organisation of existing relationships, the ones to come or to create between Angoulême and the cities with which the Council of Angoulême signed or will sign a twinning charter. The agreement specifies the reciprocal obligations and commitments of the Council and the Twinning association and states the exchanges themes.



## HOW DO WE WORK ?

### BOARD

- Made up of elected volunteers and councillors designated by the City of Angoulême
- It sets the broad outlines of the association's activities and takes the big decisions
- It meets three times a year

### DESK

- Composed of a President, one or two Vice Presidents, a treasurer, (Assistant Treasurer), a general secretary, (Assistant general secretary)
- It takes the statutory decisions and is responsible for the ongoing management of the life of the association
- It meets about five times a year

### COMMISSION WORK

- One for each sister city
- Each commission is composed of a leader designated by the board, a treasurer appointed by the commission and several volunteers
- It organises and coordinates projects in close connection with the concerned sister city and meets about once a month



## OUR FIELDS OF ACTION

### SANITARY AND URBAN ISSUES

- Construction of latrines and water fountains in the public markets of Segou

### TECHNICAL EXCHANGES

- Meeting between technical agents of Angoulême, Vitoria-Gasteiz and Hildesheim in the fields of electro mobility, urban planning and economic development

### HEALTH, HANDICAP

- Mission of the Hospital of Angoulême with the Hildesheim partners
- Professional exchange in the field of disability with Hoffman Estates organisms
- Professional exchange in the field of diabetes with partners from Turda

### YOUTH, SPORTS

- Participation in the Youth Sport Festival organised by Bury
- Youth exchange between Angoulême and Hildesheim (school and high school students)
- Visit of the Angoulême Marauders team (American football) in Hoffman Estates

## **EDUCATION, TRAINING**

- Exchange between professional institutions in the field of hospitality and catering (Saguenay, Hoffman Estates, Guelendjik, Hildesheim, Vitoria-Gasteiz)
- Exchange between higher education institutions (EESI / UAD Cluj Napoca)

## **INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT**

- Training of staff members of the City of Segou (Human Resources, civil registration, Financial Resources Management ...)
- Support for the training of administrative staff of Turda (Green areas ...)

## **FRANCOPHONIE**

- Donations of educational materials for the francophone documentation centre of Guelendjik

## **CULTURE**

- Exchange between the Eldorado center of Guelendjik and the dance institute of Katia Seguin
- Welcome of a group of young musicians from Bury for the Europe Festival (Absolute Stereo)

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

- Trade fair of Angoulême (participation of traders from Hildesheim and Vitoria-Gasteiz)
- Participation of Charente producers to the Magdalenenfest of Hildesheim

## **TOURISM, HERITAGE**

- Oenological discovery trip to Vitoria-Gasteiz
- Trip to Hildesheim within the scope of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of twinning

## **EDUCATION FOR DEVELOPMENT**

- Workshops and interventions in social centres and primary schools (shows of the Arts School of Guelendjik, bogolans workshops, culinary workshops during the Gastronomades ...)

## **COMIC STRIPS**

- Comic strips workshops led by Angoulême and Hildesheim illustrators as part of the Europe Festival
- Training period of a student from Vitoria-Gasteiz at the International Comics Festival of Angoulême
- Welcome of a Comics artist from Hoffman Estates during the 2016 International Comics Festival