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## **Audrey AZOULAY signs 13 Agreements with major public cultural institutions**

### **Action for social cohesion of the cities**

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**USPA NEWS** - Audrey AZOULAY, the Minister of Culture and Communication, with Patrick KANNER, Minister of the City, Youth and Sports, signed on July 12, 2016 (Hôtel de Noirmoutier, PARIS) the 13th first Agreements with major French public cultural institutions...

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The other attendees for the signature were : Monsieur Jean-François CARENCO (Prefect of the Région Ile-de-France), Madame Hélène GEOFFROY (State Secretary to the Minister of the City, Youth and Sports, in charge of the City). This Event follows the announcement made by the Prime Minister on October 15, 2015, based on the proposition coming from Jean-François CARENCO, those symbolic twinings illustrate the will of democratizing culture, carried out at first by the GREAT PARIS (le GRAND PARIS). The Government will provide an allowance of 60,000 Euros per year and per project on the budget related to the City urban policy.

To respond to the combined difficulties affecting these territories, promoting cultural activities covering a broad variety of interventions will complement other public policies (education, housing, social action, etc.). The neighbourhoods concerned are identified based on economic and social indicators in order to improve action efficiency. The aim is also to develop ideas and detects innovative initiatives among the youth coming from those neighbourhoods.

The 13 French major public cultural institutions are :

- Musée du Louvre
- Institut national de l'audiovisuel
- Cité de la Musique - Philharmonie de Paris
- Musée du Quai Branly
- Bibliothèque Nationale de France
- Musée du Odéon - Théâtre de l'Europe
- Archives Nationales
- Etablissement Public du Parc & de la Grande Halle de la Villette
- Opéra National de Paris
- Centre de Musique Baroque de Versailles
- Château de Fontainebleau
- Château de Versailles
- Centre National des Arts Plastiques

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