

Highlights of a successful 7th edition

Organised from **11 to 14 November 2018** by the partners of GIANT Grenoble Innovation Campus, the High Level Forum (HLF) 2018 looked at the transverse theme of infrastructures, with the following title: **‘Innovation for tomorrow’s Infrastructures’**.

By ‘infrastructures’, we obviously mean the traditional road, rail, sea and airport infrastructures, but also all other types of non-physical infrastructures as numerical networks, communication platforms and organizations: those concerning health, safety, land management and sustainable mobility. Today these infrastructures have been challenged and reinvented by new technologies and new societal challenges that our cities, territories, companies, and structures are facing.

For this 7th edition, **150** mayors, ambassadors, institutions and companies (from presidents to advisors, innovation experts, marketers, professors and many other high-level positions) met in Grenoble.

In total, **38 ecosystems**, including **16 new** ones, were reunited for a unique four-day forum.

Apart from the noticeable attendance variety, another specificity of the HLF is in its differentiating content: after a Sunday of Grenoble sightseeing dedicated to local culture and tourism attractively, the HLF proposed to the attendees a very diversified program dedicated to the theme of **Innovation and Infrastructures**.

Through **keynote speeches and ecosystem presentations, 2 panel discussions, 5 parallel workshops and 11 ecosystem-to-ecosystem meetings**, experience sharing and networking were the watchwords of the forum.

For the first time this year, the HLF has been sponsored by local French industrial companies, convinced of the benefit to reach the High Level Forum community, and keen to provide their industrial expertise and insight concerning Innovation and Infrastructures.

Today, HLF Community proudly includes **than 800 contacts from 45 ecosystems in all the Regions of the globe**, a number which is growing every year, thanks to its undeniable added value for ecosystems and their territories for every region of the globe.

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