



PRESS RELEASE
Argonne 1792 – Valmy 2022

The board of directors of the association Pays d'Argonne carrying the ARGONNE 1792 – VALMY 2022 project meeting in extraordinary session on Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 6 pm at the headquarters of its Meuse structure in Les Islettes decided, with regret, and unanimously to cancel the event scheduled for August 20 and 21, 2022. Secondly, the Board of Directors decides to propose the reprogramming of this one on 19 and 20 August 2023 in Valmy.

The event concerning the 230th anniversary of the Battle of Valmy in 1792, which was to celebrate the birth of the Republic and its Values and those of the Europe of Democracies, did not obtain sufficient financial envelope to ensure the full success of this event in terms of quality, that is to say at the height of this symbolic high place of the Republic.

If the citizens' workshops of Argonne 1792 have received much appreciated aid from local authorities to prepare, for 6 months, this great event with the participation of the population, the event show ARGONNE 1792 – VALMY 2022 of 20-21 August in itself has not had, in the end, the same support because it does not enter into the mechanisms and regulations of financing of certain local authorities.

Despite the experience of the Pays d'Argonne association in this field, it remains cautious in estimating the attendance of the event by tourists and visitors. This unknown is a big risk in the current state of funding obtained and the association is committed to protecting its jobs and the continuity of services it has provided to the population for 10 years.

Volunteers, reenactors from the eight Countries of Europe representing nearly 1,000 people as well as exhibitors, suppliers and partners will understand that this forced cancellation is only part of the deal. The work provided by our employees and partners such as that of the hundreds of participants in the Citizen Workshops of Argonne 1792 is not in vain, on the contrary, it will participate in the development of a new file even more refined so that Valmy finds its wings and it's just notoriety.

The fall of the wings of the Moulin de Valmy was perhaps a premonitory sign...

Fait à Les Islettes le 7 juillet 2022,
Pour le Conseil d'administration,
Le Président, Thibaut MOURLET