Imagined in the early 1920s by André Honnorat, the Cité internationale universitaire de Paris was created in 1925 in the context of the pacifist movement of the interwar period.

The objective of the Cité internationale project was to provide a deep and lasting foundation for peace, and to promote exchange and mutual understanding by bringing together in the same living space young people from all over the world.

Its founder and his partners, bearers of a humanist ideal, wished to create a «school of human relations for peace», in a spirit of tolerance and respect, free from all discrimination. This century-old ambition remains fully relevant as the Cité internationale continues to offer its residents from all over the world an experience of sharing and cultural exchange within its houses that is unique in the world.

One of the means of implementing these principles is «brassage» or the “melting pot” experience which is part of the foundations of the Cité internationale. It allows the cohabitation of residents of different nationalities within each house.

Thus, the Cité internationale’s mission is to contribute to the dissemination of cultures of the world and to bring people together.

Residing, working or staying occasionally at the Cité internationale universitaire de Paris is an opportunity that comes with a commitment to promote its founding principles and values.

These principles are embodied in values that constitute a basis for residents to live together in a spirit of shared humanity while contributing to peace and respecting diversity.

These values are present in the reception, organisation and development of intellectual, artistic, cultural and sporting activities by the houses and the residents.

**VALUES**

**RESPECT AND TOLERANCE**
- human dignity and human rights
- individual freedom of thought, conscience, religion, opinion and expression
- right to privacy
- the living conditions and natural, cultural and social environment of the Cité internationale

**EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION**
- origin, language, financial status
- gender, sexual orientation, social status
- Everyone will be treated with consideration, excluding:
  - all hateful, abusive or sexist remarks
  - all forms of harassment and physical, sexual or gender-based violence

**ALTRUISM AND BENEVOLENCE**
- dialogue, attention, fraternity, sharing, support
- respect for working, study and rest conditions

**HISTORY & PRINCIPLES**

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