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The Association of Botanical Gardens of France and Francophone countries has linked botanical gardens in France since 1979. Since 1994, it opened its membership to botanic gardens in French-speaking countries and now counts members in Belgium, Cambodia (in progress), Canada, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Morocco, Senegal (in progress), Switzerland and Vietnam.

The members of the Association are developing, each according to their means, plant conservation programmes through research, integrated conservation, education and public awareness to ensure the preservation of biological diversity and the sustainable management of the planet's resources. In France, the Association provides support to its members, old or new, organizing, each year, technical sessions that bring together the different actors. The association issued in 1996 a Charter for botanical gardens which defines the areas of work of contemporary botanical gardens, "institutions that hold documented plant collections for the purpose of scientific research, conservation, exhibition and education". The gardens that have chosen to follow the ethics of this charter confirm their willingness to join European and international actors working towards the implementation of international strategies for the conservation of biological diversity.