



THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA  
THE ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019

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*We are a young nation and a young state, which has an excellent chance to build a new state in the new world based on the power of science, discoveries, innovations, and high-quality education.*

*I truly have the idea and the mission of making Armenia a successful scientific and technological country.*

**Armen Sarkissian**  
*The President of the Republic of Armenia*



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# BIOGRAPHY OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

<p><b>23.06.1953</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Born in Yerevan.</li></ul>	<p><b>1970</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Graduated from № 114 Secondary School, Yerevan.</li></ul>	<p><b>1976</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Graduated from the Department of Physics at the Yerevan State University.</li></ul>
<p><b>1978</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Completed post-graduate studies at the Chair of Theoretical Physics and Mathematics at the Yerevan State University and was awarded a scientific degree of Doctor of Science.</li></ul>	<p><b>1976-1990</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Professor of Physics at the Yerevan State University. In the same period, Armen Sarkissian founded the Sub-division for Computer Modelling of Complex Systems at the Department of Theoretical Physics of the YSU.</li></ul>	<p><b>1984-1985</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ First a Visiting Researcher and later Professor at the Institute of Astronomy at the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.</li></ul>
<p><b>1986-1992</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Continued his professional career as a Research Fellow and Visiting Professor at the Moscow State University, as well as in various universities in Germany, the US, Greece, and the United Kingdom.</li></ul>	<p><b>1991-1996</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Appointed the Chargé d'affaires of the Republic of Armenia to the United Kingdom, and was appointed the Ambassador of Armenia to the UK.</li></ul>	<p><b>1992-1996</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Armen Sarkissian was Armenia's Senior Ambassador in Europe, Ambassador to the European Union, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Vatican, and the Head of the Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the EU.</li></ul>
<p><b>1996-1997</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Served as Prime Minister of Armenia.</li></ul>	<p><b>1998-2000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Reappointed as Armenia's Ambassador to the UK and Vatican.</li></ul>	<p><b>2000-2013</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Served as an advisor and chairman of multiple organizations and corporations.</li></ul>
<p><b>2013-2018</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Armen Sarkissian was Armenia's Ambassador to the UK.</li></ul>	<p><b>2018</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ On March 2, 2018, was elected President of the Republic of Armenia by the National Assembly of the RA. The inauguration of the President-elect took place on April 9, 2018.</li></ul>	

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17.07.2018

## Amateur Stargazing on the Premises of the Presidential Palace

From the beginning of the presidency, Armen Sarkissian mentioned that the Presidential institute should function for people, it should be closer to and more accessible for the public, and the Presidential Palace should symbolize the power of people.

Being consistent in bringing his ideas and suggestions to life, Armen Sarkissian started an interesting tradition.

It is symbolic that the launch of events at the Presidential Palace was preceded by an amateur observation event, an initiative that was in line with the wish of the President of the Republic to stir interest towards science since childhood.

The event was a success, laying the ground for further events at the Presidential Palace.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/07/17/president-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-children-to-watch-stars-with-Goodrayk-Jhon/>





01.09.2018

## Knowledge and Schooling Day

On the occasion of Knowledge and Schooling Day at the beginning of the academic year, kids from different educational institutions, including centres caring for the children with special needs, orphanages, and Armenian-Syrian schoolchildren, were hosted at the Presidential Palace.

In order to make the day even more memorable and interesting, fun and educational programs were organized for the children at the open spaces of the Presidential Palace.

The installed stands presented interesting and easy to understand thematic exhibitions in Physics and Chemistry. The children also had the opportunity to paint, make pottery, and play chess.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/09/01/President-Armen-Sarkissian-received-on-the-occasion-of-September-1/>



23.11.2018

## "Sevan Startup Summit 2018" Presidential Awards

On July 28, 2018, President Sarkissian participated in the closing ceremony of the Sevan Startup Summit-2018 and promised that another nomination "Presidential Awards" would be added for the participating 120 startup teams.

Keeping his promise, the President handed special "Presidential Awards" to the best three teams, participants of the Sevan Startup Summit-2018.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/23/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Sevan-Start-UP-2018-summit-teams/>



28.12.2018

## A New Year Event for the Children from Orphanages, Care Homes and Boarding Schools

A Festive New Year event for children was held at the Presidential Palace. The guests were kids from orphanages, care homes, and boarding schools.

A festive show was organized for the kids with multiple games. With the help of specialists, the kids were taught to make festive toys. Afterwards, they decorated with them the Christmas tree installed in the hall. Kids also received gifts.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/28/President-Armen-Sarkissian-hosted-children-New-Year-eve/>



03.04.2019

## Solo Concert of Svetlana Navasardian

In order to make the Presidential Palace – Republic House closer to and more accessible for the public, on the initiative of President Armen Sarkissian, different cultural events will be held at the Presidential Palace, including concerts, exhibitions, presentations, and poetic nights in the halls of the Palace.

On 03.04.2019 Presidential Concert series commenced with the solo concert of the renowned pianist, laureate of a number of prestigious international competitions, RA People’s Artist Svetlana Navasardian.

The concert was attended by President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian, Prime Minister Nikol Pashinian, Speaker of the National Assembly Ararat Mirzoyan, state, public, science, and culture figures, heads of diplomatic missions accredited to Armenia, representatives of mass media.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/03/Svetlana-Navasardians-concert-in-Presidential-Palace/>



## CHARITY PROJECTS

The President of Republic of Armenia has always attached importance to the implementation of charitable programs as a guarantee of having a responsible and committed society.

During the reporting period, the President provided assistance and supported various NGOs and individuals. The support was mainly aimed at solving issues in areas such as: education, culture, youth and sport, social support and other areas.

Financial support was provided to cover the costs of youth tuition fees, participation in international tournaments, book publishing, and other social programs.

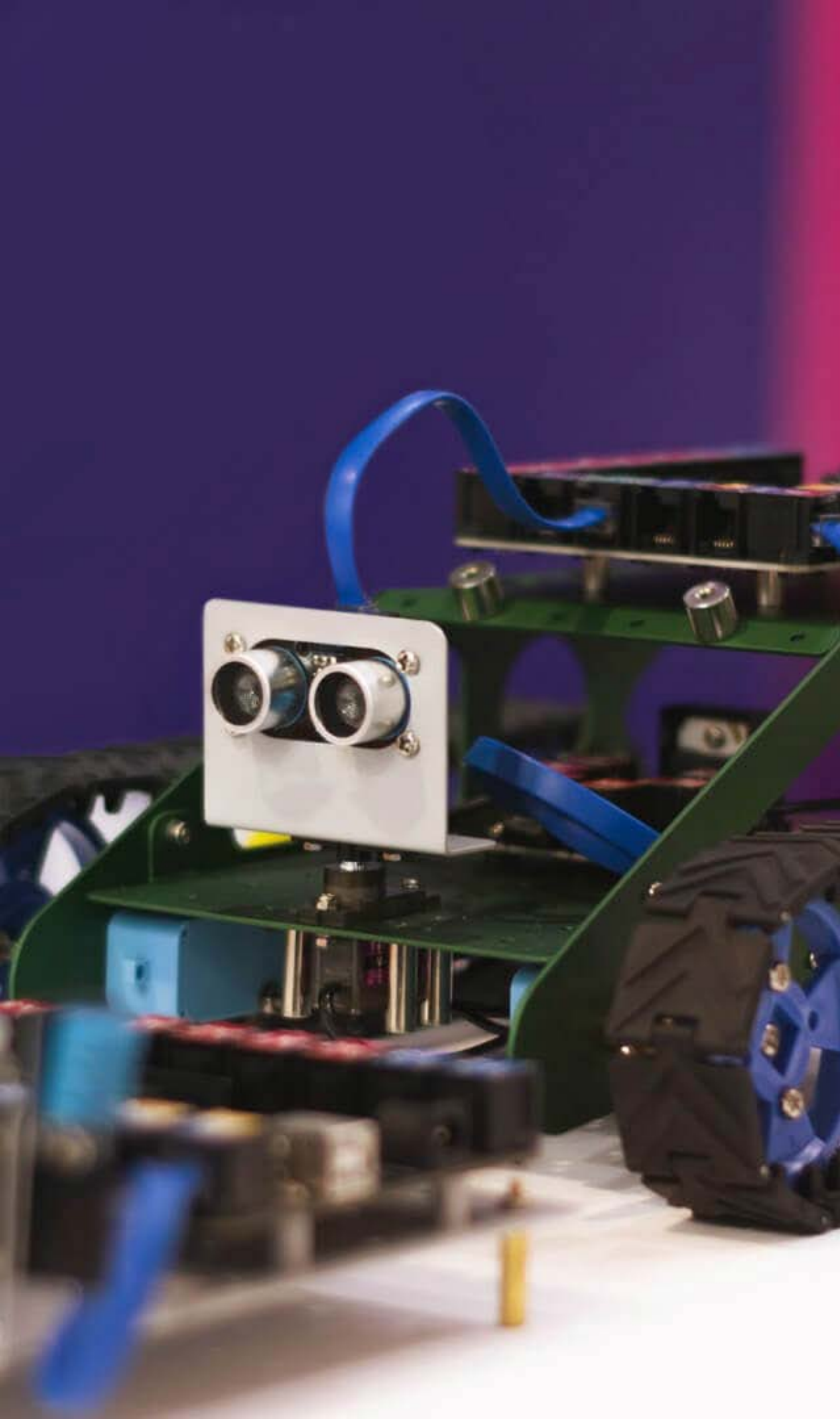
Some of the programs funded are as follows:

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## Sport and Youth

Support was provided to Gevork Afrikian for participation in the bench-press exercise in the 2018 Europe Open Championship in Powerlifting.



## Education

- Financial support was provided to pay tuition fees.
- Financial support was also provided to establish an engineering laboratory equipment in Kavsakan (region of Kashatakh, Artsakh).



## Culture

- Financial support was provided to the Armenian National Philharmonic Orchestra, Yerevan Dancing Art State College SNPO.
- Financial support was provided to publish books and magazines.
- Support was provided to the Gyumri State Symphonic Orchestra SNPO on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.





## Social Support

- Support was provided to the “Bari Mama” charity organization to maintain the heating system in the “Good House” building-accommodation.
- Support was provided to educational and production unit of the Gyumri branch of Armenia’s Association of Visually Impaired Individuals to promote social entrepreneurship and expand facility projects.
- Support was provided to renovate Gyumri’s Berlin Medical Centre, Gyulagarak Community Nursery and “Prkutyun” Centre for Disabled Children and Youth NGO.
- In the framework of social assistance, six wheelchairs have been provided to the Ministry of Emergency Situations, as well as twenty refrigerators have been provided to the Ministry of Defense.



## VISITS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA: DOMESTIC, ARTSAKH

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13.06.2018

## Republic of Artsakh. Visit to Dadivank, the Site of Freedom Fighters Park

### Dadivank

President Armen Sarkissian visited Dadivank, accompanied by the Primate of the Diocese of Artsakh of the Armenian Apostolic Church Pargev Archbishop Martirosian, the President toured the ancient monastic complex, conversed with the tourists and visitors.

### Meeting with Bako Sahakian

In Stepanakert, President Armen Sarkissian had a meeting with the President of the Republic of Artsakh Bako Sahakian. The Presidents discussed issues related to the cooperation of the two Armenian states.

### Artsakh Freedom Fighters Park

During the visit, Presidents of Armenia and Artsakh, the Primate of the Diocese of Artsakh of the Armenian Apostolic Church Pargev Archbishop Martirosian and Chairman of the Union of Freedom Fighters of Artsakh Samvel Karapetian also visited the site of Freedom Fighters Park and observed the construction works.



For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/Artsakh-visits/item/2018/06/13/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Artsakh>



02.09.2018

## Republic of Artsakh. The Festivities on the Occasion of the Republic of Artsakh Day and the 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Independence

President Armen Sarkissian, together with the President of Artsakh Bako Sahakian visited the Stepanakert memorial.

The Presidents paid tribute to the soldiers who fell in the Artsakh freedom fight and the Great Patriotic War, and to the memory of the First President of the Supreme Council of Artsakh Arthur Mkrtchian.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/Artsakh-visits/item/2018/09/02/President-Armen-Sarkissians-working-visit-to-the-Republic-of-Artsakh/>



15.10.2018

## **Republic of Artsakh. The Produce Festive Fair Dedicated to the Day of Agricultural Worker**

The President of the Republic of Armenia and President of the Republic of Artsakh together with their spouses participated in the Produce Festive Fair, dedicated to the Day of Agricultural Worker, at the Revival Square in Stepanakert.

President Sarkissian toured the Fair, conversed with the farmers, who brought their produce, and the visitors of the market, and enjoyed the hospitality of the Artsakhi people.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/15/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Artsakh/>



01-02.04.2019

## Republic of Artsakh. Visits to Maghavouz, and Talish Villages in Martakert Region and Culture and Youth Palace of Stepanakert, Togh Village: «Kataro» Wine Factory

### Maghavouz Village

President Armen Sarkissian, together with the President of Artsakh Bako Sahakian and Primate of Artsakh Diocese Pargev Archbishop Martirosian, participated in the unveiling of the monument, dedicated to the seventeen residents of the Maghavouz village in Martakert region, who gave their lives in the Artsakh War.

Presidents Armen Sarkissian and Bako Sahakian laid a wreath at the monument and paid tribute to the memory of the residents of Maghavouz, killed in the Artsakh and Great Patriotic Wars.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/01/President-Armen-Sarkissian-in-Artsakh/>



REPUBLIC OF ARTSAKH. VISITS TO MAGHAVOUZ, AND TALISH VILLAGES IN MARTAKERT REGION AND CULTURE AND YOUTH PALACE OF STEPANAKERT, TOGH VILLAGE: «KATARO» WINE FACTORY

**Talish Village**

President Armen Sarkissian together with Bako Sahakian visited Talish village in Martakert region. The Presidents of two Armenian states laid a wreath to the memorial of the heroes, who fell during the April 2016 war unleashed by the foe and sons of the Armenian nation, who sacrificed their lives in Artsakh war, and paid tribute to their memory.

Later, Presidents of Armenia and Artsakh met with the servicemen and freedom fighters participants of the April War in 2016.

The President of Armenia handed gifts to the servicemen and freedom fighters participants of the April War and thanked them for their outstanding service, patriotism, and dedication.

**Concert Dedicated to the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Artsakh Chamber Music Orchestra**

President Armen Sarkissian, President of Artsakh Bako Sahakian, and Primate of the Artsakh Diocese Pargev Archbishop Martirossian were present at the concert, dedicated to the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Artsakh Chamber Music Orchestra, which took place at the Culture and Youth Palace in Stepanakert.

**Togh Village: «Kataro» Wine Factory**

Both Presidents visited Kataro Wine Factory in the Togh village of Hadrut region, where the founder of Kataro Edik Avetissian and his son told about the history of their family business, – the factory and future programs.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/01/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Talish/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/01/President-Armen-Sarkissian-attended-concert-in-Artsakh/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/02/Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Cataro-wine-factory/>



08.11.2018

## Visits to Shirak Marz

### Geological Museum

President Armen Sarkissian conducted a brief working visit to Gyumri to observe firsthand the conditions at the building allocated to the Geological Museum.

The President toured the premises of the future museum, which earlier served as the Galust Gyulbenkian surgical hospital. To satisfy the requirements defined for museums, the premises need renovation works. President Sarkissian promised to help.

As the President of the International Council of the “Yerevan, My Love” Foundation, Armen Sarkissian informed that all design related expenses for the museum will be paid by the Foundation. “Probably, it will be necessary to establish another charity organization, which will be named “Gyumri, My Love,” President Sarkissian said.

The Geological Museum program is not President Sarkissian’s first project in Gyumri. In the past, through his assistance the Gyumri National Architecture and Urban Life Museum, the famous Dzitoghtsonts House was renovated. It became the next stop of the President.

“In a way, Dzitoghtsonts House is a dear place because my grandpa from one side was Dzutightsi, from Dzitogh proper, Erzurum,” the President admitted in the conversation with the journalists.

Armen Sarkissian toured the Museum and observed exhibits related to the daily life of the residents of Gyumri.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/08/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Gyumri/>





## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

08.11.2018

### **Technological Centre of Gyumri**

President Sarkissian visited Technological Center of Gyumri. During the tour, he familiarized with the ongoing programs. In the innovative incubation laboratory functioning at the Centre, the President conversed with the students and learned about their activities and interests.

### **Aregak Inclusive Bakery-Café**

The President also visited Aregak café, which is special for its milieu, program, and mission. The environment in the above mention café is exceptional, with an inclusive café and a bakery, whose employees are young people with limited abilities and parents of impaired children. The employees of the café cordially welcomed the President and had a frank conversation with him and treated him to the sweet pies made in the bakery. Impressed by the meeting, Armen Sarkissian promised to visit the café again, where he has already made friends with Michael, Grisha, Hovhaness, and other people included in the program.

### **Cathedral of the Holy Mother of God (Our lady of Seven Wounds)**

At the conclusion of his visit to Gyumri, President Sarkissian lit a candle at the Holy Mother (Seven Wounds) Church where at the moment a wedding was taking place. The President congratulated the newlyweds and wished them happiness.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/08/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Gyumri/>



## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

05.12.2018

### **Vardan Ajemian Drama Theatre**

President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian attended the “A Wedding Beyond the Frontline,” a performance at the Vardan Ajemian Drama Theatre in Gyumri.

During the intermission and at the conclusion of the performance, President conversed with the actors and representatives of the theatre, expressed his gratitude for the wonderful play.

### **Gyumri Branch of Armenia’s Association of Visually Impaired Individuals**

President Armen Sarkissian visited the educational and production unit of the Gyumri branch of Armenia’s Association of Visually Impaired Individuals, which is manufacturing oil paints based on natural products.

The President familiarized with the technologies of paint production and programs to expand it.

The program also has a social content because it creates new jobs, mostly for impaired individuals. The President of Armenia donated six million AMD to expand the program.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-with-Nouneh-Sarkissian-visited-Gyumri-Theatre/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-company-which-product-natural-paints-in-Gyumri/>



## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

05.12.2018

### **Stepan Alikhanian Puppet Theatre**

President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian visited the Stepan Alikhanian Puppet Theatre in Gyumri.

President Sarkissian and Mrs. Sarkissian toured the theatre, and were told about its history and artistic life.

The first puppet theatre in Armenia was founded in 1935. The Theatre is a member of UNIMA (International Puppetry Association), affiliated to UNESCO.

Mr. and Mrs. Sarkissian, together with the kids, watched a performance based on Hovhanness Tumanian's Sutlik Vorskan (Hunter the Liar) fairytale.

After the performance, the President urged children to read fairytales, learn and present each other books.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-with-Nouneh-Sarkissian-visited-puppet-theatre-after-Stepan-Alikhanian-in-Gyumri/>



## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

05.12.2018

### **House-Museums of Mher Mkrtchain and Avetik Issahakian**

Next cultural visits of President Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian in Gyumri were House-Museums of Mher Mkrtchain and Avetik Issahakian Located in Varpetats Street, these houses of significant historical-architectural value were built at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

### **Paying Tribute to the Memory of the Earthquake Victims**

On the eve of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the devastating earthquake of 1988, President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian paid tribute to the memory of the victims in Gyumri.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-with-Nouneh-Sarkissian-visited-museums-in-Gyumri/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-pay-a-tribute-in-Gyumri/>



## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

05.12.2018

### **Aregak Inclusive Bakery-Café**

The President was cordially received at the Aregak Inclusive Bakery-Café, where he met his old acquaintances – Michael, Grisha, Hovhannes and others whom he had met during his previous visit.

The President came full-handed: he brought gifts for his old friends, had tea with them and tasted candies made by them.

During their visit to Gyumri, Mr. and Mrs. Sarkissian lit a candle at the Cathedral of the Holy Mother of God (Our Lady of Seven Wounds).

### **Green Food Greenhouse**

During his working visit to Shirak Marz, President Armen Sarkissian visited the Green Food greenhouse farm in the Artik region. The company has established a greenhouse farm on three hectares, based on modern technologies in line with international standards, and is growing ecologically clean strawberries.

President Sarkissian stressed the importance of establishing similar production lines in other regions, which would allow to improve the social and economic conditions and create new jobs.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-and-Nouneh-Sarkissian-visited-Aregac-cafe-in-Gyumri>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Green-Food-Company/>



## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

05.12.2018

### Berlin -Medical Centre

In the framework of his recent official visit to Germany, President Sarkissian visited the headquarters of the German Red Cross in Berlin.

The President of the German Red Cross handed to the spouse of the President, Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian a donation ticket for 10,000 Euros earmarked for the renovation works of the Berlin Medical Centre in Gyumri.

The President expressed gratitude for the donation and said he too would make a donation for the renovation works at the Berlin Medical Centre in Gyumri to carry out more extensive renovation works.

In the framework of the working visit to Shirak Marz Mr. and Mrs. Sarkissian visited the Berlin Medical Centre in Gyumri and handed the management the donation tickets – 10,000 Euros from the German Red Cross and 5 million AMD from the President of Armenia.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-and-Nouneh-Sarkissian-visited-Berlin-Polyclinic-in-Gyumri/>



## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

25.01.2019

### **Social and Educational Centre**

President's and Mrs. Sarkissian's this visit started with the candle lighting at the Cathedral of the Holy Mother of God (Seven Wounds). Later, the President, his spouse, and the renowned composer, RA People's Artist Tigran Mansurian were hosted by the Primate of the Shirak Diocese of the Armenian Apostolic Church Ter Michael Bishop Ajapahnian. He presented the activities of the Diocese and its structures to the guests. President Sarkissian inquired about the ongoing programs and forthcoming projects and expressed readiness to assist in their implementation.

The Social and Educational Centre is carrying out educational, social, youth oriented, spiritual, and cultural programs.

President Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian toured the Centre, had a cordial and warm conversation with the kids studying in painting, computer, language, and other classes. Children were impressed with the meeting and asked the President to sign in their exercise books.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/25/President-Armen-Sarkissian-and-Nouneh-Sarkissian-visited-Gyumri/>



## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

25.01.2019

### **Concert Dedicated to the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Gyumri State Symphonic Orchestra**

The festivities at the V. Adjemian Dramatic Theatre of Gyumri were the high point of the President's visit to Gyumri on January 25.

President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian together with the RA People's Artist Tigran Mansurian and representatives of the art-loving community were present at the concert, dedicated to the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gyumri State Symphonic Orchestra.

After the concert, President Sarkissian met with the Director of the orchestra and cordially congratulated him on the occasion of the anniversary. He expressed gratitude for the boundless dedication to arts and cultural endeavor, which allowed Gyumri to have today such a high-class orchestra.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/25/President-Armen-Sarkissian-attended-event-in-Gyumri/>





## VISITS TO SHIRAK MARZ

**22.03.2019**

President Armen Sarkissian took part in the traditional “Taste of France” dinner, which was organized in Gyumri.

The French cuisine, which is considered to be part of the intangible heritage of UNESCO, was presented at a solemn event at the centre “The Virgin of Armenia” in Gyumri with the participation of statesmen, diplomats, artists, culture entrepreneurs. In his turn, the President welcomed the holding of this event in Gyumri, stressing that the place was chosen very correctly.

The President suggested the ambassadors of foreign countries participating in the event should organize similar presentations of the national cuisines of their countries and expressed readiness to attend those events. Meantime, the President indicated three necessary conditions: to hold suggested events in Gyumri, presentation of the taste and culture of a particular country and participation of people willing to invest in the development of the city will be obligatory condition. The President also proposed to hold an annual festival, commencing September 21<sup>st</sup> within month, called Taste of Armenia.



04.12.2018

## Visit to Lori Marz

### Agroholding Armenia Company

First stop of the President Armen Sarkissian's working visit to Lori was the Agroholding Armenia Company in Spitak, which is engaged in complex farming. Agroholding Armenia works in the area of husbandry and dairy production.

Back in September, at the annual Armenia Expo-2018 exhibition in Yerevan, the unique pavilion and production of Agroholding Armenia Company attracted President Armen Sarkissian's attention. The President familiarized with the work and forthcoming programs of the Company, tested samples of their products and conversed with the employees.

In Spitak, President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian laid flowers on the cross-stone commemorating the victims of the 1988 devastating earthquake.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/04/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Agroholding-Armenia-in-Spitak/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/04/President-Armen-Sarkissian-and-Nouneh-Sarkissian-put-flowers-in-Spitak/>



## VISIT TO LORI MARZ

04.12.2018

### **(COAF) SMART Centre**

President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian visited the Centre.

In Debet community of Lori Marz, the SMART Centre of the Children of Armenia Fund (COAF) has been working since May 27, 2018.

Students of the SMART Centre are children from different rural communities and not only from Lori Marz. President Sarkissian toured the Centre, where kids are taught programming, dancing, drawing, singing, and other subjects.

The President conversed with the children and observed their works. Armen Sarkissian toured also the smart room, where the kids demonstrated the abilities of the robot created by them.

At the conclusion of the meeting, President Sarkissian and Mrs. Sarkissian presented their paintings to the drawing section of the Centre. President Sarkissian made an inscription in the newly opened book of guests. His inscription was the first, "Touching and splendid," the President wrote.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/04/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-COAF-SMART-Lori/>



30.12.2018

## Visit to Ararat Marz

### Nor Kharberd Orphanage

The President started his visit from the Nor Kharberd Orphanage, where festive events were organized for the kids.

He attended the festive concert given by the kids, and together with Santa personally handed gifts to the children. Accompanied by the Director of the Orphanage Harutyun Balassanian, President Sarkissian walked through the premises, visited the rehabilitation centre, gym, computer lab, conversed with the staff, and inquired about the educational programs for the children. The computer lab received a new computer donated to the Orphanage by the President.

### SoupKitchen of the Armenian Red Cross

Afterwards, President Sarkissian visited a soup kitchen of the Armenian Red Cross in Masis town. On the initiative of the Armenian Red Cross and assistance of the Swiss Red Cross, this soup kitchen opened in 2017 and constantly serves lonely elderly people and needy families. The soup kitchen is also supported by the local and regional governance bodies, as well as a number of organizations and individual sponsors.

President Sarkissian met with the visitors of the soup kitchen, conversed with them, and congratulated on the approaching holidays. The beneficiaries of the soup kitchen also received gifts, handed on behalf of the President.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/30/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Ararat-region/>



## VISIT TO ARARAT MARZ

30.12.2018

### Visit to the Large Family of the Hovsepians

The next stop of the President was Surenavan community. Here, he visited the large family of Hovsepians. There are eight underage kids in the family, the eldest of them is twelve, the youngest is just twelve months old. The President was present at the birthday party of the Hovsepians' eldest son, the 12-year old Misha, and congratulated the family on the approaching holidays. Not only Misha, but all children of the family received presents from the President. The family also received kitchen appliances.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/12/30/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Ararat-region/>



## OFFICIAL VISITS CONDUCTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

- + **39** Official Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to the Federal Republic of Germany
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27-30.11.2018

## **Official Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to the Federal Republic of Germany**

- **40** Meeting with the President of the Federal Republic of Germany
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☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

27.11.2018

## Meeting with the President of the Federal Republic of Germany

The official ceremony of welcoming President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian took place at the Bellevue Palace – residence of the President of the Federal Republic of Germany.

President Frank-Walter Steinmeier and Mrs. Elke Büdenbender welcomed President Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian at the entrance of the Palace and accompanied to the hall, to make an inscription in the Book of Honorary Guests.

During the meeting Armen Sarkissian mentioned that Germany is one of Armenia's primary economic partners, with a similar system of governance.

President Sarkissian stressed the importance of expanding cooperation in the educational, scientific, and cultural areas. Cooperation in the area of technologies was viewed as especially promising as well as the implementation of the programs for students and science workers exchange.

President Sarkissian invited his counterpart to conduct an official visit to Armenia. President Steinmeier accepted the invitation.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/27/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-the-President-of-Germany-Frank-Walter-Steinmeier/>





☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

28.11.2018

## Meeting with Chancellor Angela Merkel

At the office of the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, President Armen Sarkissian had a meeting with Chancellor Angela Merkel.

Welcoming the official visit of the President of Armenia to Germany, Chancellor Angela Merkel said that she had very good memories of her last visit to Armenia. She noted that was especially impressed with the TUMO Centre for Creative Technologies, and noted that German is looking into the opportunities for cooperation.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/28/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Angela-Merkel-in-Germany/>



☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

28.11.2018

## Meeting with the President of the Bundestag Dr. Wolfgang Schäuble

President Armen Sarkissian visited the Bundestag and met with the President of the Bundestag Dr. Wolfgang Schäuble.

According to the President of Armenia, for a country with a very brief history of a parliamentary system of governance, the German traditions and culture of parliamentary democracy are very interesting.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/28/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Wolfgang-Schauble-the-President-of-the-Bundestag/>



☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

27.11.2018

## Participation at the Working Discussions Organized by the Munich Conference on International Security

During his official visit to Germany, President Armen Sarkissian participated in the working discussions organized by the Munich Conference on International Security.

Present at the meeting was the President of the Munich Conference Wolfgang Ischinger, representatives of the foreign relations and defense agencies, members of the Bundestag and European Parliament, well-known security experts, heads of research institutions.

Issues pertinent to the global security, rapid changes taking place in the world, existing challenges and threats and avenues to thwart them were discussed.

In his remarks, President Armen Sarkissian noted in particular that Armenia is open for cooperation and is ready to become a platform for various discussions.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/27/President-Armen-Sarkissian-attended-discussion-on-global-security-issues/>



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## Other Visits and Meetings in Germany

During his visit to Germany, the President of Armenia met with a number of individuals and organizations:

- **Meeting with the President of the German Red Cross Gerda Hasselfeldt and visit to the headquarters of the German Red Cross in Berlin.** President Sarkissian handed RA state awards and souvenirs to a group of employees of the German Red Cross. For the practical participation and tireless humanitarian activities aimed at the mitigation of the devastating Spitak earthquake.
- **Working lunch with the heads of a number of leading German companies.** The meeting was attended, in particular, by the heads of Zepeling, Simmens, SAP, Nokia, Schneider Group, Airbus Group and other companies. To other businessmen participating in the meeting, President Sarkissian suggested visiting Armenia to study perspective areas of cooperation on the spot and to discuss mutually beneficial cooperation.
- **Visit to the Fraunhofer Institute for Production Systems and Design Technology (Fraunhofer IPK),** which has over seventy scientific and research centres, working in a number of countries.
- **Bertelsmann Foundation Analytical Centre.** President Sarkissian made a statement, entitled “Armenia in 2018 and the Region”.
- **Participation in the concert of the National Philharmonic Orchestra of Armenia, dedicated to the 115<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Aram Khatchatrian:** President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian were present at the concert of the National Philharmonic Orchestra of Armenia in the Konzerthaus Berlin, dedicated to the 115th birth anniversary of the great Armenian composer Aram Khatchatrian. The world-famous violist Sergei Khatchatrian participated in the concert.



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- **Meeting with the President Minister of the Saxony-Anhalt region of Germany - Reiner Haseloff.** President Armen Sarkissian met with the President Minister of the region Reiner Haseloff and discussed areas of cooperation.
- **Speech at the faculty of the Otto von Guericke University of Saxony-Anhalt region in Germany.**
- **Visit to the production unit of Siemens in Berlin.**
- **President Armen Sarkissian visited today the famous German DESY research centre located in Zeuthen.** The Centre is conducting fundamental studies in the area of energy resource and accelerator physics. DESY is cooperating with the A. Alikhanian National Research Laboratory of the Yerevan Institute of Physics and with the CANDLE Synchrotron Research Institute in Yerevan.

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27-30.11.2018

## Results of the Visit

- A cooperation agreement has been signed between Yerevan State Medical University and the Medical Faculty of the Otto von Guericke University.
- A group of officials of the Presidential Administration visited Germany as a study visit.
- Armenian Ambassador to Germany Ashot Smbatyan had a meeting with Jens Neugebauer, the Director for European Policy and Business Development of the Fraunhofer Institute for Production Systems and Design Technology. They discussed the possibility of opening a TUMO centre in Germany. There was a proposal to establish a Fraunhofer Institute Capacity Testing Centre in Armenia, which can assume the functions of a regional centre and work actively with Georgia and Iran. In order to get acquainted with the country's potential and to clarify the ways for further cooperation, the Fraunhofer Institute administration will visit Armenia from May 1-5.
- A visit of the DESY Scientific Research Centre delegation to the Republic of Armenia was planned.



14-18.01.2019

## Official Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to the United Arab Emirates

President Armen Sarkissian conducted an official visit to the United Arab Emirates on January 14 and will participate in the opening ceremony of the Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week Forum.

- **48** Meeting with Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan
- **49** Meeting with the Minister of State of the UAE Sultan Al Jaber
- **50** President Armen Sarkissian met with the Vice President, Prime Minister and Minister of Defense of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum
- **51** President Armen Sarkissian Met with the Sovereign Ruler of the Emirate of Sharjah, Sheikh, Doctor Bin Muhammad Al-Qasimi
- **52** Other Meetings and Visits in UAE
- **53** Results of the Visit





☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

14.01.2019

## Meeting with Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan

The official visit of the President of Armenia to the United Arab Emirates commenced with meeting the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of the UAE Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed bin Sultan al-Nahyan.

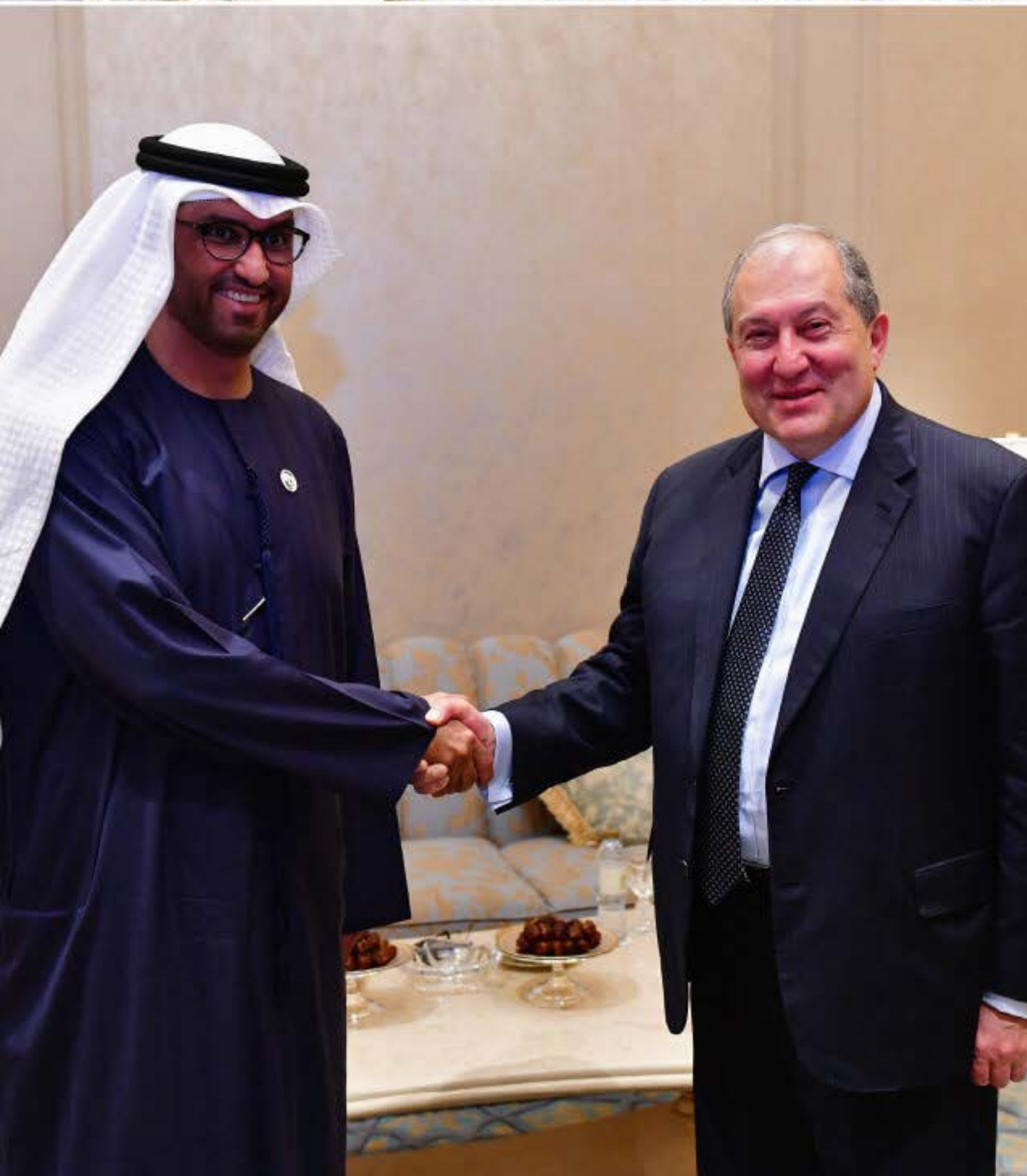
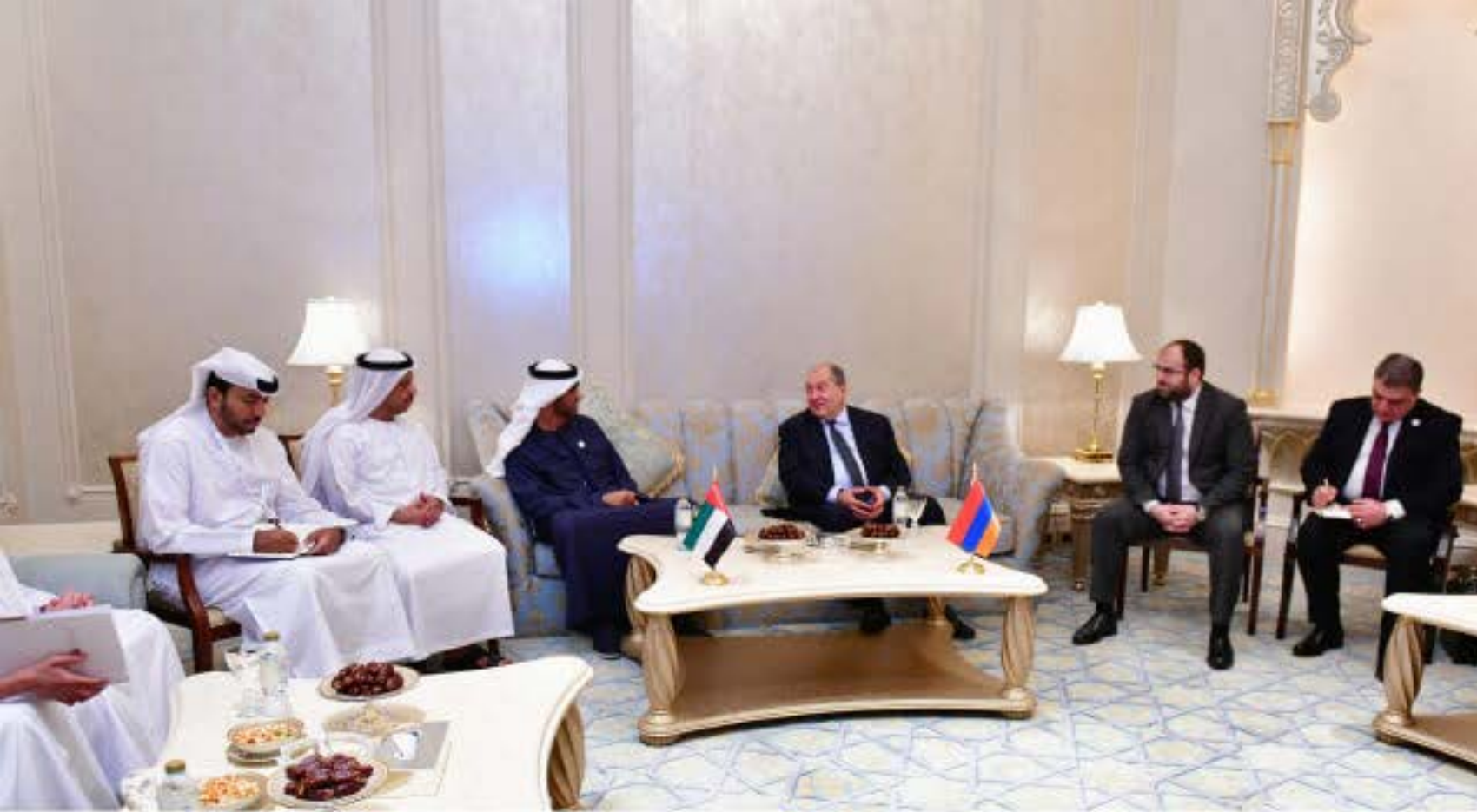
Underscoring the existing great potential in the trade and economic areas, President Sarkissian viewed as a promising cooperation, particularly in the areas of agriculture, renewable energy, chemical production, information technologies and telecommunication areas.

Noting that Armenia views the UAE as an important gateway to the Persian Gulf region and other countries, Armen Sarkissian said that Armenia in its turn might become a bridge for the UAE towards the EAEA and CIS countries and markets.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/14/President-Armen-Sarkissian-is-in-Abu-Dhabi/>





☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

14.01.2019

## Meeting with the Minister of State of the UAE Sultan Al Jaber

President Armen Sarkissian, met with the Minister of State of the UAE Sultan Al Jaber twice during the official visit.

The President of Armenia and Minister of State of the United Arab Emirates spoke about opportunities for cooperation, in particular, implementation of joint projects in different areas. According to President Sarkissian, through the years, there have been minor and major achievements, but the existing potential is much greater.

Among promising areas of cooperation, President Armen Sarkissian singled out areas of tourism, infrastructure, and services and noted that Armenia can offer different solutions in these areas such as eco-tourism and cultural tourism.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/14/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Sultan-Al-Jaberi/>



☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

17.01.2019

## **President Armen Sarkissian met with the Vice President, Prime Minister and Minister of Defense of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum**

President Sarkissian and Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum discussed in particular issues related to the expansion of business and financial cooperation between the two countries and stressed the importance of the steps aimed at the development of the tourism area.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/17/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-His-Highness-Sheikh-Mohammed-bin-Rashid-Al-Maktoum/>



☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

17.01.2019

## **President Armen Sarkissian Met with the Sovereign Ruler of the Emirate of Sharjah, Sheikh, Doctor Bin Muhammad Al-Qasimi**

President Sarkissian hailed Sheikh Sultan Bin Muhammad Al-Qasimi's warm attitude and special attention towards the Armenian people, visibly manifested through the programs, which are implemented through his support and donations.

They also discussed an opportunity to sign an agreement on declaring a town from Sharjah and a town from Armenia sister-towns.

President Armen Sarkissian invited Sheikh Sultan Bin Muhammad Al-Qasimi to visit Armenia. The invitation was accepted with gratitude.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/17/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Sheikh-Dr-Sultan-bin-Muhammad-Al-Qasimi/>

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14-18.01.2019

## Other Meetings and Visits in UAE

- Participation in “Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week” forum.
- Visited the innovative Masdar City. The development philosophy of Masdar City is based on the principle of maintaining economic, social, and ecological sustainability.
- Meeting with the founder and Chairman of the ALNOWAIS Investment company Hussain Al Nowais. The company is active in the hotel and real estate, infrastructure and energy areas. The Chairman of the company said that he was interested in cooperation with Armenia, particularly in the implementation of joint programs in the area of renewable energy.
- Meeting with the Managing Director of the MUBADALA investment company Khaldoon Khalifa Al Mubarak. The MUBADALA investment company is working mainly in the areas of high technologies, telecommunications, energy, health care, real estate, infrastructures, education, and science.
- Meeting with the Governor of the Dubai International Financial Center (DIFC) Essa Abulfattah Kazim and the CEO Arif Amiri. During the meeting, parties discussed the possibility of establishing in cooperation with the DIFC an analogous structure in Armenia, which will provide similar services. After the meeting, President Sarkissian toured the Centre.





☰ OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

**14-18.01.2019**

## **Results of the Visit**

- Sharjah government proposed to send a delegation of the Emirate of Sharjah to the Republic of Armenia after holy month of Ramadan, from June 10 to June 20.
- Agreements were reached with Minister of State of the UAE Sultan Al Jaber, Ruler of Dubai Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, on ALNOWAIS Investments and MUBADALA companies to conduct a visit to Armenia shortly to learn firsthand about the opportunities existing in Armenia and work on concrete programs.



## WORKING VISITS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES

- + **55** Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to France, Chamonix
- + **59** Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to France, Paris
- + **66** Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to Italy, Rome
- + **73** Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to France, Paris



22-23.09.2018

## **Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to France, Chamonix**

- **56** Participation in Summit of Minds
- **57** Meeting with the representatives of over two dozen of leading companies
- **58** Results of the Visit



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, CHAMONIX

22.09.2018

## Participation in Summit of Minds

President Armen Sarkissian participated at the Summit of Minds in Chamonix as the keynote speaker.

At the meeting with the organizers of the Summit, the President of Armenia reached an agreement to organize a similar summit in Armenia, in particular, in the areas of a healthy lifestyle, processing of agricultural produce, and other areas.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/09/23/President-Armen-Sarkissian-attended-the-Summit-of-Minds/>





☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, CHAMONIX

23.09.2018

## Meeting with the representatives of over two dozen of leading companies

On September 23, in the framework of the Summit of Minds, President Armen Sarkissian had a working lunch with the representatives of the European Parliament, as well as over two dozen of leading companies, funds, organizations and banks, including American Google, Nasdaq, Cargyll, McKinsey, Revolution, Swiss Nestle, Pictet and Lombard Odier, French Groupe Accor, Publicis, One Ragtime, Société Générale, Russian Alfa Bank, British Bridgepoint and Kleinwort Hambros.

The President of Armenia discussed with them the business climate in Armenia as well as issues related to investment attraction and creation of business ties. President Sarkissian introduced the competitive advantages of our country, underlined the country's role as a bridge between the EU and the Eurasian Economic Area which opens new and significant opportunities. At the meeting, an actual agreement was reached on the implementation of certain programs in Armenia.

President Sarkissian held also two meetings-interviews with the leadership of the renowned media outlets – the British “The Financial Times” and the French “Les Echos”.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/09/24/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-representatives-of-the-companies-in-frame-of-Summit-of-Minds/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, CHAMONIX

22-23.09.2018

## Results of the Visit

- As a result of the working visit, it was decided that for the first time the Summit of Minds Conference (Armenian Summit of Minds) will take place on June 7-9, 2019 in the cities Yerevan and Dilijan of the Republic of Armenia, under the auspices of the President of Armenia. The key partner of the Summit will be The Monthly Barometer, a prestigious analytical magazine.



10-14.11.2018թ.

## **Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to France, Paris**

- **60** Meeting with the Managing Partner of the annual Summit of Minds in Chamonix, founder of the analytical The Monthly Barometer journal and author Thierry Malleret
- **61** Visit to the Dassault Systemes Company
- **62** Visit to the digital production unit of the THALES
- **63** Meeting with the co-founder of the OpenClassrooms organization Pier Dubuc
- **64** Meeting with the Secretary General of UNESCO Audrey Azoulay
- **65** Results of the Visit



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

13.11.2018

## **Meeting with the Managing Partner of the annual Summit of Minds in Chamonix, founder of the analytical The Monthly Barometer journal and author Thierry Malleret**

The Summit of Minds is a reputable platform where the heads of the leading world companies and investors discuss the trends of the global economic development, issues related to investment opportunities. The Summit of Mind precedes the annual Economic Global Forum in Davos and is known under the Small Davos name.

President Armen Sarkissian held meetings in Paris, with the leaders of a number of major French companies and discussed with them Armenia's business environment, investment attraction issues, and opportunities to establish business ties.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/13/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Thierry-Malleret/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

13.11.2018

## Visit to the Dassault Systemes Company

President Sarkissian visited the famous Dassault Systèmes Company, familiarized with the ongoing programs and activities.

At the meeting, the parties reached an agreement to dispatch a group to Armenia at the beginning of the next year to discuss concrete programs of cooperation.

Dassault Systemes is a subsidiary of the Dassault Group major French company. It is providing program security for the systems in the military and industrial areas. The Group is active also in providing logistic systems, hybrid electrical vehicles, real estate, wine production, and other areas.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/13/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-Dassault-Systemes/>



WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

13.11.2018

## Visit to the digital production unit of the THALES

According to the previously reached agreement, on November 13 President Sarkissian visited the digital production unit of the THALES.

THALES Group, functioning in different countries of the world, is active in the area of design and construction of electrical systems, providing services in the markets of aerospace, defense, transportation, and security.

The President of Armenia met with the leadership of THALES, one of the leading companies in the area of the aerospace industry, headed by the Vice President of the Company Rafael Ashkenazi.

The President familiarized with their activities and ongoing programs, discussed issues related to the possible areas of cooperation with the Armenian companies.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/13/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-digital-factory-of-THALES/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

13.11.2018

## Meeting with the co-founder of the OpenClassrooms organization Pier Dubuc

At the meeting of President Armen Sarkissian with the co-founder of the OpenClassrooms organization Pier Dubuc, the parties reached an agreement to open a branch of the firm in Armenia.

“OpenClassrooms” is an online teaching platform that provides lessons in information technologies, entrepreneurship, and digital technology. It has 2.5 million users all over the world, and classes are offered in English, French, and Spanish. The firm aims at making education accessible.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/13/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Thales-and-OpenClassrooms-representatives/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

13.11.2018

## Meeting with the Secretary General of UNESCO Audrey Azoulay

The working visit was finalized with the meeting of the President of the Republic of Armenia and Secretary-General of UNESCO Audrey Azoulay.

The President of Armenia and Secretary-General of UNESCO discussed Armenia's active involvement in the framework of the Organization and issues related to representing at this Organization the culture and values of our country in the best possible way. The parties spoke also about the UNESCO initiative on the restoration of the cultural heritage of Mosul, Iraq. In that context, the implementation of a joint program with the Matenadaran in Yerevan was discussed.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/13/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-General-Director-of-UNESCO-Audrey-Azoulay/>



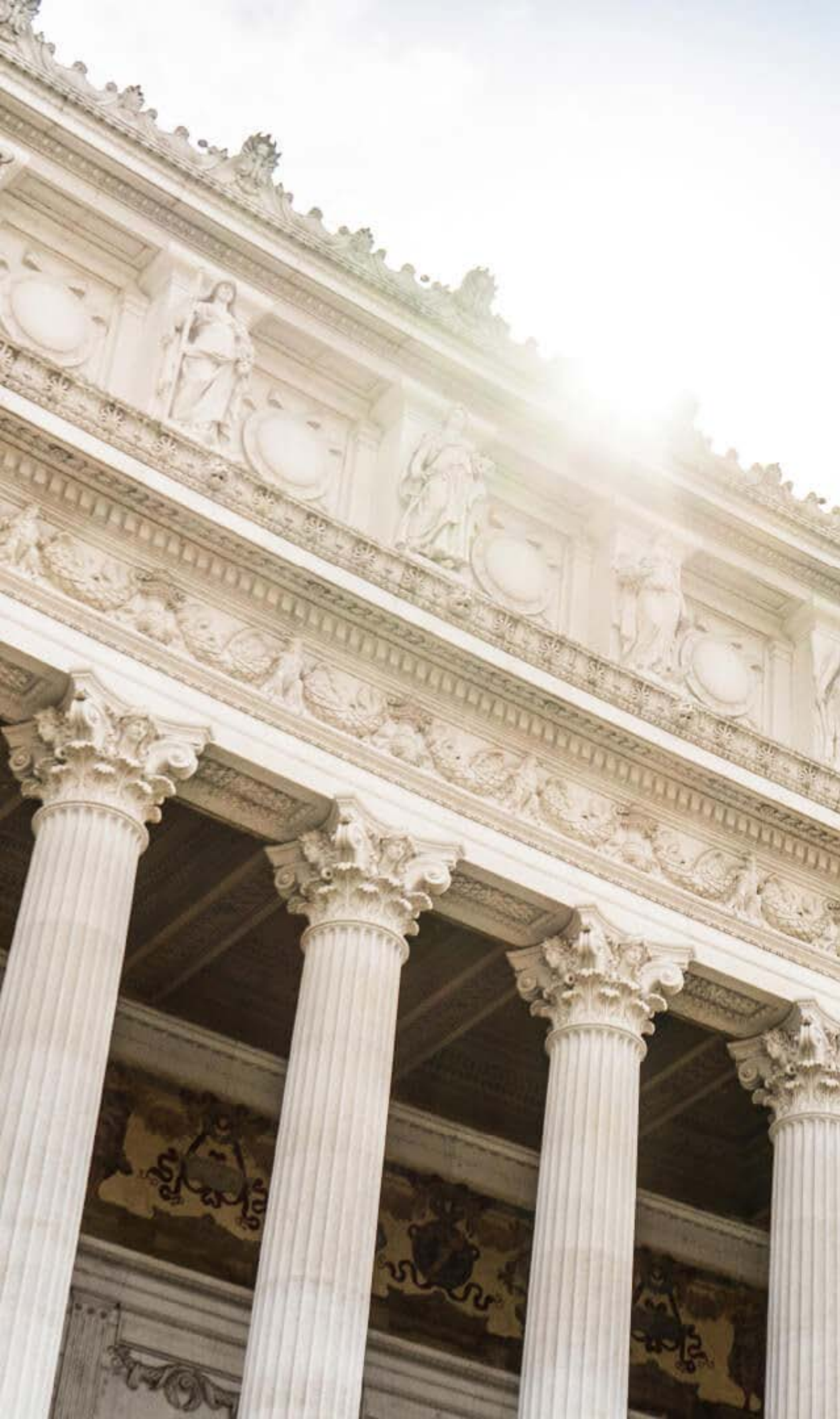


☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

10-14.11.2018

## Results of the Visit

- An agreement was reached to dispatch a group of representatives of the Dassault Systèmes Company to Armenia at the beginning of the next year to discuss concrete programs of cooperation.
- An agreement was reached between President Armen Sarkissian and the co-founder of the OpenClassrooms organization Pier Dubuc, to open a branch of the firm in Armenia.



14-16.11.2018թ.

## **Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to Italy, Rome**

- **67** Armen Sarkissian met with the President of the Italian Republic Sergio Mattarella
- **68** President Sarkissian met with the President of the Italian National Research Council Massimo Inguscio
- **69** President Armen Sarkissian in Rome participated at the “Digital Geopolitics: New Borders, Growth, and National Security” Conference
- **70** President Armen Sarkissian met with the leadership of the Italian National Association of Builders (ANCI)
- **71** President Armen Sarkissian met with Alessandro Profumo - Chief Executive Director of the Italian Leonardo company
- **72** Results of the Visit



☰ WORKING VISIT TO ITALY, ROME

16.11.2018

## **Armen Sarkissian met with the President of the Italian Republic Sergio Mattarella**

President Armen Sarkissian informed the counterpart on the meetings and agreements reached in the framework of his working visit to Italy. Stressing that wide opportunities exist for cooperation in the economic, cultural, and scientific areas, the Presidents underscored the importance of full utilization of the existing potential.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/17/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-the-President-of-Italy-Sergio-Mattarella/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO ITALY, ROME

14.11.2018

## President Sarkissian met with the President of the Italian National Research Council Massimo Inguscio

Inguscio noted that he was greatly interested in President Armen Sarkissian's quaint approach to global risk theory. President Sarkissian and Massimo Inguscio spoke also about the deepening of the Armenian-Italian cooperation in science and expansion of educational and scientific ties.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/15/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-The-National-Research-Council-of-Italy/>

☰ WORKING VISIT TO ITALY, ROME

14.11.2018

## President Armen Sarkissian in Rome participated at the “Digital Geopolitics: New Borders, Growth, and National Security” Conference

At the Conference, President Armen Sarkissian made a statement. Speaking about globalization and the changing world, he noted that today the world is witnessing rapid changes. “The world is changing faster and faster by day. We are witnessing quant indications. And those, who appreciate that fact, will become tomorrow’s leaders. Globalization has changed from macro to micro: companies, individuals are now unstoppable,” Armen Sarkissian said.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/15/President-Armen-Sarkissian-participated-at-the-Geopolitics-of-the-Digital-Symposium-in-Italy/>





☰ WORKING VISIT TO ITALY, ROME

15.11.2018

## **President Armen Sarkissian met with the leadership of the Italian National Association of Builders (ANCI)**

At the meeting, the parties discussed opportunities for the Association's activities in Armenia. President Sarkissian proposed to look into the possibility of restoration of ancient structures in Gyumri. The sides reached an agreement that representatives of the Association will visit Armenia in the nearest future, to see firsthand business and investment environment, learn about the opportunities and areas of cooperation.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/16/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-the-representatives-of-National-Association-of-Construction-Companies/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO ITALY, ROME

16.11.2018

## **President Armen Sarkissian met with Alessandro Profumo - Chief Executive Director of the Italian Leonardo company**

In the framework of the working visit President Armen Sarkissian had a working meeting with Alessandro Profumo - Chief Executive Director of the Italian Leonardo company which is a leading company in the area of military equipment production. At the meeting, the parties held an engaged discussion on the opportunities with the Company in the areas of education and high technologies. President Sarkissian invited Mr. Profumo to conduct a visit to Armenia.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/11/17/President-Armen-Sarkissian-vivisted-Leonardo-Company-in-Italy/>



≡ WORKING VISIT TO ITALY, ROME

14-16.11.2018

## Results of the Visit

- As a result of the meeting of President Armen Sarkissian with the leadership of the Italian National Association of Builders (ANCE), an agreement was reached to visit the Republic of Armenia in the near future, in order to see firsthand the business and investment environment, learn about the opportunities and areas of cooperation.





06-10.02.2019

## **Working Visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia to France, Paris**

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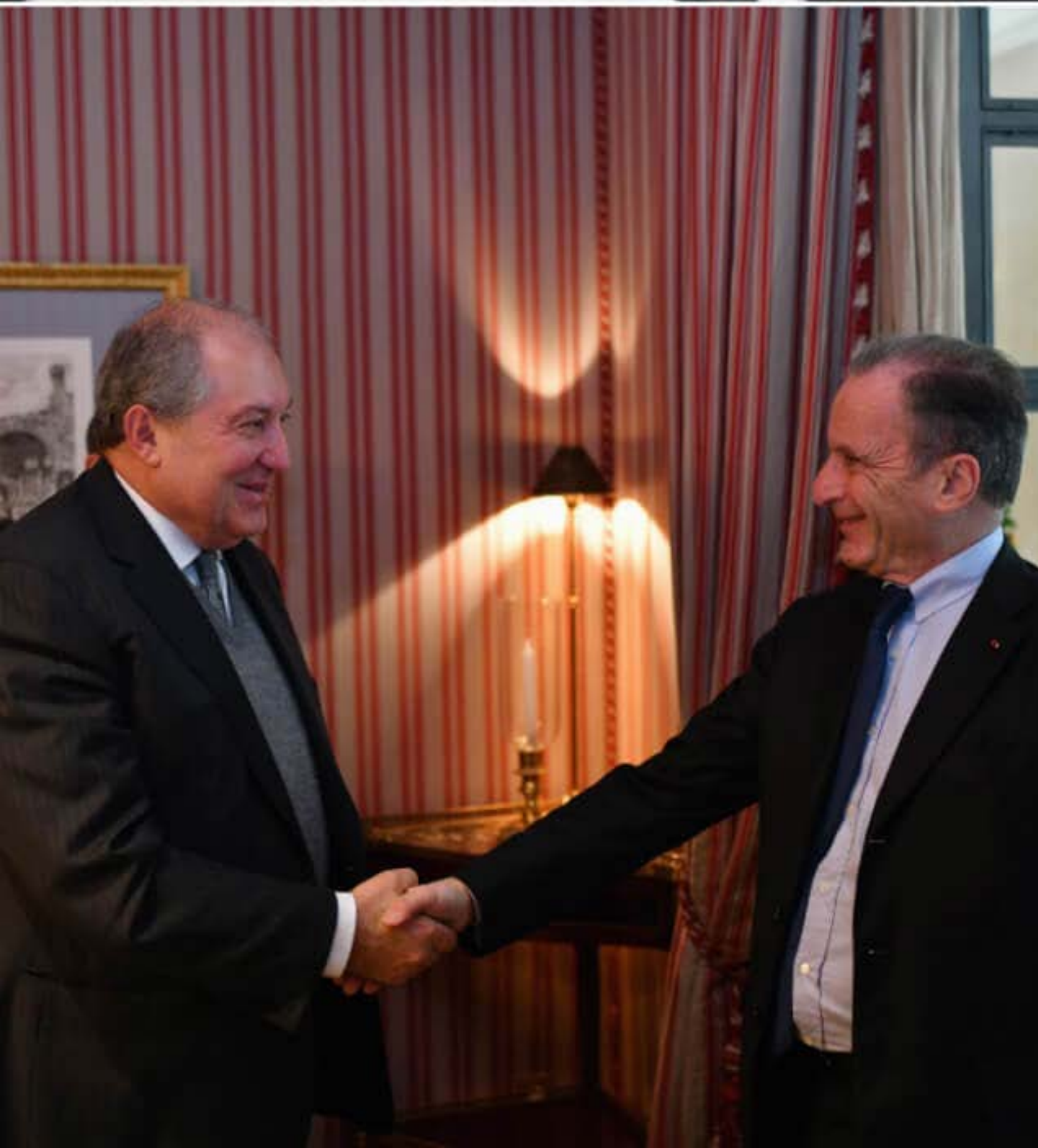
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## Meeting with the Vice President of French Dassault Systèmes company Christian Nardin

During the meeting of Vice President of the renowned French Dassault Systèmes company Christian Nardin and President of Armenia, both sides emphasized, in particular, the great potential for cooperation in the areas of science, education, and technologies and readiness to implement joint programs. President Sarkissian mentioned that Armenia, with its educational, scientific and innovation institutions and experts, might become a good partner for the French side. The parties reached an agreement that representatives of the company would visit Armenia in April to outline more precisely the programs of cooperation.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/02/06/President-Armen-Sarkissian-working-visit-to-France/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

06.02.2019

## Meeting with French entrepreneur Henri Proglio

President Armen Sarkissian met with the famous French entrepreneur, former Chairman of the Electricité de France company Board and its CEO, former CEO of the Veolia Environnement Henri Proglio. They discussed opportunities for cooperation and perspectives of cooperation in the areas of ecology, energy, and efficient management of water resources. They underscored the existing big potential in the area of alternative energy and opportunities to implement joint programs. The President noted that Armenia is rich with sources of renewable energy and that alternative energy business is a perspective area for our country.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/02/07/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Henri-Proglio/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

08.02.2019

## Meeting with the leadership of the THALES company

During the meeting of President Sarkissian with the leadership of a leading world company THALES, the parties continued the discussions on the previously reached agreements and detailed that at the end of February the Vice President and Regional Director of the Company Paul Remi would visit Armenia to see firsthand the opportunities for cooperation and to put the existing proposals on a practical base. President Sarkissian stressed, especially, the role of modern systems equipped with up-to-date technologies, particularly, with artificial intelligence.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/02/08/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Raphael-Eskinazi/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

08.02.2019

## Meeting with the former Prime Minister of France Dominique de Villepin

In the framework of his working visit to Paris, President Armen Sarkissian met with the former Prime Minister of France Dominique de Villepin who was also the foreign minister and minister of internal affairs of France in different periods of time.

President Armen Sarkissian and the seasoned state and political figure exchanged views on the international politics and security, spoke about the problems and challenges existing in the South Caucasus region.

Armen Sarkissian spoke also about the programs and preliminary initiatives which he pursues and noted that they were pointed into the future and were aimed to make Armenia a center of modern technologies and startups.

The President of Armenia invited former Prime Minister of France Dominique de Villepin to visit Armenia in the near future. The invitation was accepted.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/02/09/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Dominique-de-Villepin/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

09.02.2019

## Meeting with the Executive Director of the Nestlé Waters company Maurizio Patarnello

In the framework of his working visit, President Sarkissian met in Paris with the Executive Director of the Nestlé Waters company Maurizio Patarnello. Noting that Armenia is rich with natural resources and drinking water in our country is among the best in the world, the interlocutors spoke about possible cooperation in this area. They concurred that there are serious perspectives for cooperation and agreed that the Executive Director of the Nestlé Waters company would visit Armenia shortly to continue the dialogue and to bring the discussions to a more practical level. At the meeting, discussed were also issues of the efficient management of the water resources.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/02/09/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Maurizio-Patarnello/>



☰ WORKING VISIT TO FRANCE, PARIS

06-10.02.2019

## Results of the Meeting

- President Armen Sarkissian, and the famous French entrepreneur, former Chairman of the Electricité de France Company Board and its CEO, former CEO of the Veolia Environnement Henri Proglgio agreed that as the first step of cooperation in the areas of ecology, energy, and efficient management of water resources, Mr. Proglgio would visit Armenia, to learn firsthand the existing opportunities, to continue with the discussions, and to bring the cooperation to a more practical level.
- On February 27, President Armen Sarkissian hosted the Vice President of the world famous French THALES company, regional Director Paul Remi who has arrived in Armenia at the invitation of the President of Armenia. Paul Remi said "We should also remember about the Central Asia market. We see that Armenia is at the crossroads between Europe and Asia. Armenia is involved in the One Road, One Belt project, which is in the focus of our attention. I am glad that you offered opportunities for cooperation with Armenia. We have not looked into such opportunities in the past."



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26.05.2018

## Republic of Georgia

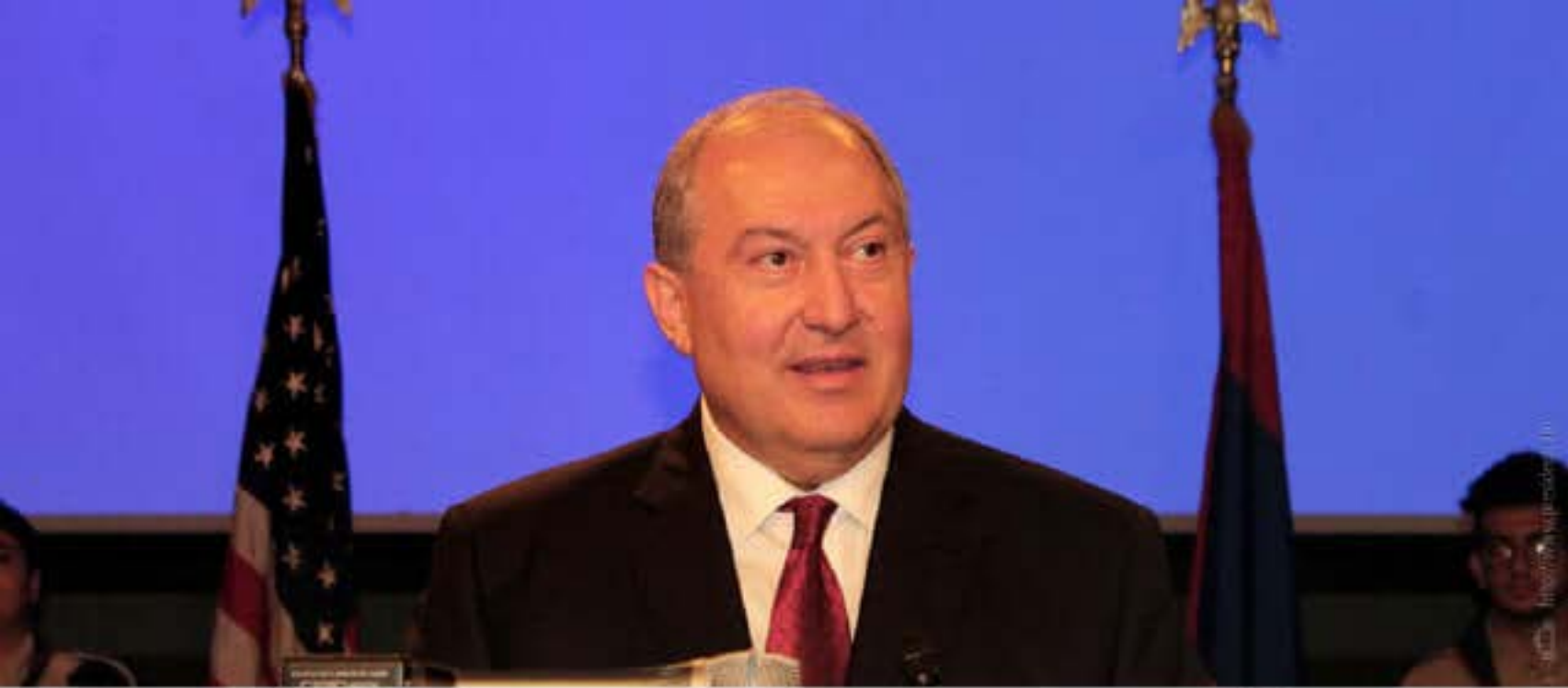
On May 26, 2018, President Armen Sarkissian visited the diocese of the Armenian Church in Georgia the Saint Gevorg Church. The President also met with the representatives of the Armenian community of Georgia.

Addressing the audience, President Sarkissian said that he has arrived in Georgia as a representative of the Armenian people to congratulate our Georgian friends on the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of independence.

Armen Sarkissian reminded that the first government of the First Armenian Republic was created in Georgia and the Declaration of Independence was born in this town, which was the cultural, spiritual and political center of the Armenian nation.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/05/27/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-representatives-of-Armenian-Community-in-Georgia/>



26.06.2018

## United States of America

President Armen Sarkissian, visited the United States on a three-day visit, on June 26, 2018 participated in the reception in the Dirksen Senate Office Building dedicated to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the First Armenian Republic. The festive event organized jointly by the Embassy of Armenia to the US, ARF Eastern Region Central Committee and the Washington Office of Armenian Cause (Hay Dat), concluded a series of events at the East Coast of the US dedicated to the centennial of the First Republic.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/06/27/President-Armen-Sarkissian-hosted-by-the-ARF-Eastern-US/>



## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

28.06.2018

On June 28, 2018, President Armen Sarkissian participated in the opening of the annual Folklife Festival conducted at one of scientific and cultural centres of the United States, Smithsonian Institute, Washington DC.

Within the framework of the festival Armenian culture and traditions were presented. President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian toured the pavilions viewed presentations of Armenian lifestyle, cuisine and crafts, interacted with participants and visitors.

The festival organized by the Smithsonian's Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage over 170 representatives of Armenia and Diaspora craftsmen, painters, designers, musicians, cooks, winemakers, presented cultural heritage of our country, Armenian lifestyle, cuisine and crafts. Armenia is the first country in the region to be represented at the festival in the capital city of the United States of America. Bust of Armen Garo, Armenia's first ambassador to the United States (from 1918-1920), was installed in the yard of the Armenian Embassy in Washington as part of the events dedicated to the centennial of the First Republic of Armenia.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/06/29/President-Armen-Sarkissian-attended-opening-ceremony-of-the-monument-dedicated-to-the-first-Armenian-Ambassador-in-USA/>



## MEETINGS AND EVENTS WITH ARMENIAN DIASPORA

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

28.06.2018

President Armen Sarkissian met with the leadership of the Armenian National Committee during the working visit to Washington DC. The President welcomed and hailed the activities of the Armenian organizations which constantly pursue the issues of Pan-Armenian importance.

During a working visit to Washington on June 28 President Armen Sarkissian held a discussion with the Armenian interns at the US Congress, Senate, Smithsonian Institute and other establishments. The meeting was organized through the assistance of the Armenian Assembly of America.

Later the same day, the President of Armenia had a working dinner with the leadership of the Armenian Assembly of America. At the Embassy of Armenia to the United States, President Sarkissian met with the representatives of the Ramkavar-Azatakan political party.

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For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/06/29/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-members-of-Hay-Dat-in-America/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/06/29/President-Armen-Sarkissian-meetings-in-USA/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/06/28/President-Armen-Sarkissian-meetings-in-Washington-DC-28-June/>



## MEETINGS AND EVENTS WITH ARMENIAN DIASPORA

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

04.10.2018

On October 4, 2018, President Armen Sarkissian and his spouse Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian visited the Armenia Exhibition, dedicated to the Armenian cultural heritage and traditions, at the world-famous Metropolitan Museum in New York.

They toured the exhibition hall, observed over 140 unique masterpieces of the cultural heritage, dating from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> centuries and gathered from the Armenian communities from all over the world. Among them are manuscripts, cross-stones, books and other precious exhibits, including the creations by Toros Roslin, Sarkis Pitsak, and Hakob Jughayetsi.

President Sarkissian underlined with satisfaction the fact that the unique exhibition in the Metropolitan for months will allow the scores of visitors from the US and all over the world familiarize with the exceptional exhibits, which present the historical heritage and unique culture of the first Christian nation.

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For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/03/President-Armen-Sarkissian-visited-the-Metropolitan-Museum-of-Art-Armenian-Exhibition/>



## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**03.10.2018**

On October 3, 2018, in the framework of the working visit to New York, President Armen Sarkissian met with the President of the Carnegie Corporation of New York Vartan Gregorian.

President Sarkissian hailed the activities of the Corporation and, particularly, scientific, educational, and humanitarian programs implemented by its President Vartan Gregorian in Armenia.

At the meeting, the parties discussed opportunities for the implementation together with the Carnegie of joint programs in Armenia. Speaking about the activities of the Corporation, Vartan Gregorian said that they are ready to assist in the implementation of the initiatives and ideas, which will promote Armenia's advancement. President Sarkissian stressed the importance of educational programs and noted that education and knowledge are the main guarantees of having a developed and progressive country.

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For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/03/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Vartan-Gregorian-president-of-the-Carnegie-Corporation-of-New-York/>



23.10.2018

## Swiss Confederation

On October 23, 2018, during the working visit to Geneva President Armen Sarkissian, and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian visited the headquarters of Franck Muller company and met with the President of the company, the well-known Armenian-Swiss entrepreneur and benefactor Vartan Sirmakes.

Accompanied by Mr. Sirmakes, President Sarkissian toured various divisions of Franck Muller, visited the exhibition and event centre, familiarized with the ambitious development programs of the Company.

The President highly praised Vartan Sirmakes's contribution to Armenia's development, particularly his programs implemented in Armenia and Artsakh.

The Armenian-Swiss businessman in his turn noted that his sons and himself are ready to deepen their participation in the development of Armenia and Artsakh through various programs.

After participating in the official opening of the World Investment Forum 2018 President of the Republic of Armenia visited the Armenian pavilion in the Investment Village of the World Investment Forum. At the pavilion, along with our country's investment climate, attractiveness and competitive advantages, Armenia's tourism opportunities and particularities were presented as well.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/23/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-director-of-Frank-Myuller-company-Vardan-Srmaqesh/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/23/President-Armen-Sarkissian-participated-in-the-opening-ceremony-of-the-World-Investment-Forum-in-Geneva/>



## SWISS CONFEDERATION

24.10.2018

### On October 24, 2018, the President of the Republic of Armenia met with His Holiness Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia Aram I in Geneva.

President Sarkissian once again congratulated Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia Aram I on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his spiritual mission, wished him health and long years of service.

The President and the Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia spoke about the role of the Apostolic Church, defining it as one of the axles of the national identity.

“I agree that if we have a number of vital axles of national identity and statehood, the first among them is the Armenian Apostolic Church, which for over 700 years substituted statehood, preserved our national identity, united the people, helped to preserve the language, culture, live with hope and to make that hope a mission to have our own independent statehood and state,” President Sarkissian said.

On October 25, 2018, President of the Republic of Armenia Armen Sarkissian met with the representatives of the Swiss-Armenian community in Switzerland, Geneva.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/24/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-His-Holiness-Catholicos-of-Cilicia-Aram-First/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/25/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Armenian-diaspora/>





23.10.2018

## Republic of Belarus

President Armen Sarkissian and his delegation met with the representatives of the Armenian community on October 29, 2018, in the framework of the working visit conducted to the Republic of Belarus.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2018/10/30/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Armenian-community-in-Minsk/>



18.01.2019

## United Arab Emirates

President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Sarkissian in the framework of the official visit to the United Arab Emirates visited the Armenian Church of Holy Martyrs in Abu Dhabi on January 14, 2019.

In the yard of the Church, they laid flowers at the cross-stone, dedicated to the victims of the Armenian Genocide and paid tribute to their memory.

After a thanksgiving prayer, the President of Armenia at the “Ara Khanoyan” Sunday school met with the representatives of the Armenian community.

In the framework of the official visit to the United Arab Emirates President Armen Sarkissian and Mrs. Nouneh Sarkissian visited the Embassy of Armenia in the UAE. The President of Armenia planted a tree in the backyard of the Embassy.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/18/President-Armen-Sarkissian-and-Nouneh-Sarkissian-met-with-representatives-of-Armenian-community-in-Abu-Dhabi/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/01/18/President-Armen-Sarkissian-and-Nouneh-Sarkissian-visited-Embassy-of-Armenia-in-UAE/>



09.02.2019

## French Republic

In Paris, on February 9, 2019, President Armen Sarkissian participated in the 90<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Armenian General Benevolent Union (AGBU). (Armen Sarkissian has been a member of the Central Board of Directors of the AGBU since 2016). Within the framework of the assembly, President participated at the conference on Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Critical Thinking. The President of the Republic made a speech.

In the framework of the working visit to Paris, President Armen Sarkissian was present at the concert, dedicated to the memory of Armenia's National Hero, world- famous performer Charles Aznavour, which was organized in the framework of the 90<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the AGBU.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/02/09/President-Armen-Sarkissian-took-part-in-AGBU-goth-General-Assembly/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/02/09/President-Armen-Sarkissian-attended-Charles-Aznavour-Concert/>



05-06.04.2019

## Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

On April 5, 2019, President Armen Sarkissian visited Jesus Christ baptism site on the Jordan River in the framework of the working visit, conducted to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

The President toured the sacred Christian site and made an inscription in the Book of Honour Guests. He noted that care, which Jordan demonstrates towards that sacred site of global significance, is the best manifestation of the solidarity and dialogue of civilizations.

President Armen Sarkissian also visited the Armenian Church of Sourp Karapet.

On April 6, 2019, the President met with the representatives of the Armenian community of Jordan.

Addressing the local Armenians, President Sarkissian said, “The very fact that we are residing in different countries of the world, and are spread all over might be not a disadvantage, but on the contrary, an advantage because we are one of a few nations, which can state clearly: We are a small country, but a global nation.” According to the President, “We are all Armenians and have a responsibility to serve our Fatherland.”

He also informed the Armenians residing in Jordan that he has invited King Abdullah II bin Al-Hussein to visit Armenia.

For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/05/President-Armen-Sarkissian-in-Jordan/>

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/06/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Armenian-community/>



09.04.2019

## Portuguese Republic

On April 9, 2019, President Armen Sarkissian visited Galust Gyulbenkian foundation, where he met with the representatives of the Armenian community of Portugal, during the working visit to Portugal.

President Armen Sarkissian stressed the importance of the Armenia-oriented programs of the Foundation and its great contribution to the preservation of the Armenian identity and development of the Armenian studies. Armen Sarkissian offered the leadership of the Foundation to expand programs implemented in Armenia, increasing also the Foundation's continuous assistance to students, scientists, and researchers.

Armen Sarkissian also visited Galust Gyulbenkian Museum and toured the exhibition halls. Galust Gyulbenkian was a great admirer of art, and collected paintings, sculptures, coins, books, and pieces of decorative arts, which are now exhibited in this Museum.



For more information:

<https://www.president.am/en/press-release/item/2019/04/09/President-Armen-Sarkissian-met-with-Armenian-community/>

# STATE AND OFFICIAL VISITS CONDUCTED AND HOSTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA



**30-31 JULY, 2018**

State visit conducted by the President of Italy, Sergio Mattarella to the Republic of Armenia.



**14-18 JANUARY, 2019**

Official visit of President Armen Sarkissian to the United Arab Emirates.



**27-30 NOVEMBER, 2018**

Official visit of the President of the Republic of Armenia Armen Sarkissian to the Federal Republic of Germany.



**13-14 MARCH, 2019**

Official visit of the President of Georgia Salome Zurbishvili to the Republic of Armenia.

# WORKING VISITS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES



**25-26 MAY, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to Georgia.



**26-30 JUNE, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to the United States of America, Washington DC.



**22-30 SEPTEMBER, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to France, Chamonix.



**1-4 OCTOBER, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to the United States of America, New York.



**23-26 OCTOBER, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to the Swiss Confederation.



**29 OCT. -1 NOVEMBER, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to the Republic of Belarus.



**10-14 NOVEMBER, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to France, Paris.



**14-16 NOVEMBER, 2018**

Working visit of President, Armen Sarkissian to Italy, Rome.



**16-17 DECEMBER, 2018**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to Georgia.



**6-10 FEBRUARY, 2019**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to France, Paris.



**14-18 FEBRUARY, 2019**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to Federal Republic of Germany, Munich.



**5-6 APRIL, 2019**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.



**7-9 APRIL, 2019**

Working visit of President Armen Sarkissian to Portugal.

# PARTICIPATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA IN CONFERENCES AND OTHER EVENTS ORGANIZED IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES



**SEPTEMBER 23, 2018**

France, Chamonix -  
Summit of Minds.



**OCTOBER 3, 2018**

United States of America, New York -  
25<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Gala Ceremony of  
the East West.



**OCTOBER 10, 2018**

Republic of Armenia, Yerevan -  
Business Forum of Francophonie.



**OCTOBER 11, 2018**

Republic of Armenia, Yerevan - Official Opening  
Ceremony of 17<sup>th</sup> Summit of the International  
Organization of Francophonie.



**OCTOBER 23, 2018**

Swiss Confederation, Geneva - Annual  
Session of the "Homeland and Global Security"  
Conference of the Crans Montana Forum.



**NOVEMBER 1, 2018**

Republic of Belarus, Minsk - Discussions  
of the Core Group of the Munich Security  
Conference.



**NOVEMBER 14, 2018**

Italy, Rome - "Digital Geopolitics:  
New Borders, Growth, and National  
Security" Conference.



**NOVEMBER 27, 2018**

Federal Republic of Germany, Berlin -  
Working Discussions Organized by the Munich  
Conference on International Security.





**JANUARY 15, 2019**

United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi - Future Summit conference held in the framework of the Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week forum.



**FEBRUARY 8, 2019**

France, Paris - Conference on Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Critical Thinking held in the framework of the 90<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of the Armenian General Benevolent Union.



**FEBRUARY 15, 2019**

Federal Republic of Germany, Munich - Official Opening Ceremony of the Munich Security Conference.



**APRIL 6, 2019**

Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan - Opening Ceremony of the Regional World Economic Forum.



**APRIL 7, 2019**

Portugal - Annual Global Meeting of Horasis analytical centre Shaping the Future panel held in the framework of the Horasis.