Two-way perspective from French and Germans about the China and Tibet situation
Ifop study for:

**Sample**

- Sample of **1000 people**, representing people in France aged 18 and over.
- Sample of **1003 people**, representing people in Germany aged 18 and over.

Quotas were used to ensure that the samples used were properly representative (sex, age, occupation of the interviewee) after stratification by GEOGRAPHICAL AREA and town size (France), by Länder (Germany).

**Data collection method:**

The interviews were conducted using self-administered on-line questionnaires (CAWI - Computer Assisted Web Interviewing).

**Survey dates**

- **France**: March 10th – March 13th 2014
- **Germany**: March 10th – March 14th 2014

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French, Germans and XI Jinping’s official visit
The wishes regarding the official visit of Xi Jinping in France [Germany]

Question: Chinese President Xi Jinping will soon arrive in France [Germany] to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the establishment of bilateral diplomatic relations and will meet with President François Hollande [Chancellor Angela Merkel]: Do you wish French President Hollande [Chancellor Angela Merkel] to...

- Recap: Total « Somewhat yes » -

Raise with China the issue of Climate Change in the perspective of the Climate Conference scheduled to happen in 2015 in Paris

- France: 83%
- Germany: 88%

Raise with Chinese President Xi Jinping the human rights situation and the state of civil liberties in China

- France: 80%
- Germany: 87%

Express to Chinese President his concerns about the situation of the Tibetan people in China

- France: 78%
- Germany: 83%

Personally commit himself to obtain new commercial contracts for French [German] companies in China

- France: 76%
- Germany: 63%

Push Chinese capitals to invest massively in the French [German] economy

- France: 53%
- Germany: 48%

* Study realized for Green Lotus interviewing a sample of 1000 people representing people in France aged 18 and over. The interviews were conducted using self-administered on-line questionnaires from April 16th to April 18th 2013.
**The wishes regarding the official visit of Xi Jinping in France**

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**Do you wish French President Hollande to...?**

- **Somewhat yes**
- **Somewhat no**

**Do you wish Chancellor Angela Merkel to...?**

- **Somewhat yes**
- **Somewhat no**
The opinion rating of China’s leaders

Question: In March 2014, Chinese President Xi Jinping will undertake an official visit to 4 European countries (France, Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands). Do you personally have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of China’s leaders?

- **Very favorable opinion:** 2%
- **Somewhat favorable opinion:** 35%
- **Very unfavorable opinion:** 2%
- **Somewhat unfavorable opinion:** 10%
- **Very favorable opinion:** 3%
- **Somewhat favorable opinion:** 28%
- **Very unfavorable opinion:** 3%
- **Somewhat unfavorable opinion:** 56%

**TOTAL Favorable:** 37%
**TOTAL Unfavorable:** 63%

**France April 2013**
- **Very favorable opinion:** 24%
- **Somewhat favorable opinion:** 23%
- **Very unfavorable opinion:** 15%
- **Somewhat unfavorable opinion:** 61%

**TOTAL Favorable:** 76%
**TOTAL Unfavorable:** 24%
French, Germans and the situation in Tibet
The assessment of human rights in Tibet

Question: How would you assess the human rights in Tibet?

TOTAL Good 11%

TOTAL Poor 89%

Very poor 48%

Somewhat poor 41%

Somewhat good 10%

Very good 1%

France April 2013

TOTAL Good 12%

TOTAL Poor 88%

Very poor 34%

Somewhat poor 54%

Somewhat good 10%

Very good 2%
The opinion rating of the Dalai Lama

**Question:** Do you personally have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Dalai Lama, the spiritual leader of the Tibetan people?
The wish to have François Hollande [Angela Merkel] inviting the Dalai Lama

Question: Personally are you in favor or are you against President François Hollande [Chancellor Angela Merkel] inviting the Dalai Lama to an official visit at the Elysée [the Chancellery] in the near future?

Very favorable 32%
Somewhat favorable 51%
Somewhat unfavorable 13%
Very unfavorable 4%

TOTAL Favorable 83%
TOTAL Unfavorable 17%

Very favorable 30%
Somewhat favorable 53%
Somewhat unfavorable 15%
Very unfavorable 2%

TOTAL Favorable 83%
TOTAL Unfavorable 17%

France April 2013
The wish to see Xi Jinping and the Dalai Lama in a face-to-face meeting

Question: The Dalai Lama has never been able to return to his homeland since 1959. Chinese leaders have not met with the Dalai Lama since he fled into exile. The Dalai Lama is seeking a negotiated solution to the issue in Tibet.

Personally, are you in favor or not of a face-to-face meeting between Chinese President Xi Jinping and the Dalai Lama?