IRIS 26TH IN RANKING OF INTERNATIONAL THINK TANKS ON FOREIGN POLICY AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

The *Global Go To Think Tanks Index 2015* has been published, leads by Prof. James McGann at the University of Pennsylvania. Covering 6,846 organizations, it is the most comprehensive ranking of international think tanks. Over 4,500 experts (academics, policymakers, representatives from NGOs, think tanks, and journalists from around the world) contributed to the final ranking.

19 FRENCH THINK TANKS RANKED

IRIS ranked better overall than last year:

- 44th in the “Top think tanks in Western Europe” category (out of 1,276), jumping five places above last year’s position
- 31st in the “Top Defense and National Security Think Tanks” category (out of 6,846)
- 26th in the “Top think tanks on foreign policy and international affairs” category (out of 6,846)
- Finally, IRIS rose from 52nd to 43rd in the “Best Conference” category (out of 6,846).

This progression acknowledges the quality of the Institute’s work beyond France’s borders in the fields of international affairs, defense, and security, as well as in the organisation of high-level international events.

On the whole, 19 French think tanks appear in this ranking on the 180 listed in Global Go To Think Tanks Index 2015. IRIS and IFRI are the only French think tanks to appear in the “Foreign Policy and International Affairs” and “Best conference” categories.
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