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**The European Volcanological Association (L.A.V.E.):
a French-speaking non-profit organization dedicated to general public
communications, activities and meeting of volcanology enthusiasts**

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Funded in 1986, the European Volcanological Association (L.A.V.E.) is a dynamic association and use predominantly the French language. Currently the association counts nearly 600 members with a passion for volcanoes, coming from all socio-professional groups.

The aims of the association are simple:

Allow people interested in volcanology to meet each other

Carry out communication activities on volcanology dedicated to the general public

Contribute to the development of research in the volcanology field

L.A.V.E. is managed by a board elected every year and divided in delegations. The activities of delegations are centered on **field trips** and/or **presentation of journey's movies/photos and conferences**. Beside this, L.A.V.E. pays particular attention in **providing high quality media from collaborative work** of the members:

The L.A.V.E. journal (190 issues - 40/44 pages) published every 3 months, all in color and offering in-depth articles on recent volcanic activity, travel accounts, scientific articles, photographs and more.

Two **books** titled *Chasseurs de Volcans*, containing photographs from the association's members. A DVD is provided inside the second edition with footages from the members.

One **DVD: *Les Eruptions de L.A.V.E.***, one hour of videos from 19 volcanoes.

The L.A.V.E. exhibition made of thirty panels and a volcano model, intended for schools and general public.

The L.A.V.E. website with two live webcams on Stromboli and Etna, and containing more than 1800 photographs and 56 volcano-sheets.

A partnership with Vulcania, the "European Park of Volcanism" located in the Chaîne des Puys (France). L.A.V.E. furnish the park with member's pictures and movies illustrating volcanic phenomena.

Moreover, each year, **L.A.V.E. offers a 1000€ grant** in order to support a student research project dedicated to volcanology.

In the future, L.A.V.E. will develop a brand new website and a YouTube channel to keep up with current communication means and also consider a partnership with other foreign organizations to have a more European perspective.