

2027 WORLD TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

FRANCE BID

A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

FOREWORD

France is bidding to host the 2027 World Table Tennis Championships, and I am honored to serve as an ambassador for this ambitious and meaningful project. With pride and a deep sense of responsibility, I embrace the opportunity to help shape an event that will leave a lasting mark on our sport and our country.

Competing in such a prestigious tournament on home soil is a life-changing moment for any elite athlete. France 2027 will offer this incredible opportunity to a new generation of French players, inspiring them as they proudly represent our country on the world stage. Throughout my life, I have witnessed firsthand the relentless rise of table tennis in France. Among the spectators, the champion of the next decade may be watching, dreaming of their own moment of glory. Beyond competition, the legacy program will help further strengthen the role of table tennis in our society, making it always more accessible and rooted in our sporting culture.

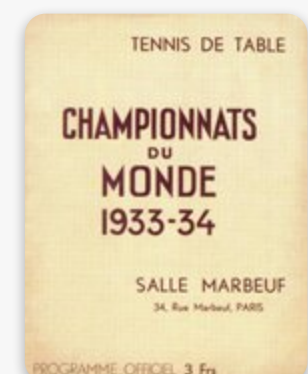
France 2027 will deliver an exceptional experience for all participants, with world-class playing conditions, a top-tier venue, and outstanding services. But beyond the infrastructure, what will truly set this event apart is the passion of the fans. My journey as both a player and a leader, particularly in recent years through my involvement in Paris 2024, has reinforced my conviction that our country has a profound love for table tennis. I have no doubt that this event will ignite extraordinary popular enthusiasm. The energy inside the arena and throughout the host city will create an electric atmosphere, making this a tournament to remember.

This championship will be another milestone in the enduring bond between France and table tennis. I am proud to be part of this journey and excited for the legacy it will create, especially in the year of the French Federation's centenary.

Jean-Philippe Gatien

Ambassador of the 2027 WTTC Montpellier
Former World's n°1 and WTTC winner in 1993

HISTORY IN THE MAKING: A CENTURY-OLD FEDERATION



World Championships in Paris
Creation of the Corbillon Cup

1934



Jacques Secretin & Claude Bergeret
World Champions

1977



World Championships
in Paris

2003



Paris Olympic and
Paralympic Games

2024

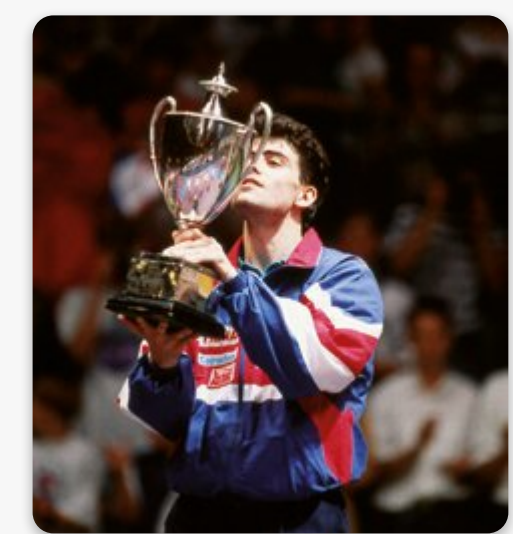
2027
FFTT's centenary
World Championships in
Montpellier

1927
Creation of the French
Table Tennis Federa-
tion

1947
World Championships
in Paris

1993
Jean-Philippe Gatien
World Champion

2013
World Championships
in Paris



5,000
members

20,000

100,000

200,000

300,000



265,000

2

48,000

1,100,000

10,200,000

registered
players in 2025

medals at Paris 2024,
a first ever !

spectators for the 1st WTT
Champions Montpellier in 2024

TV viewers for 2025
French Championships

people reached by 2025
French Championships

A TOP LEVEL EXPERIENCE FOR ATHLETES, VIPs, MEDIA AND FANS

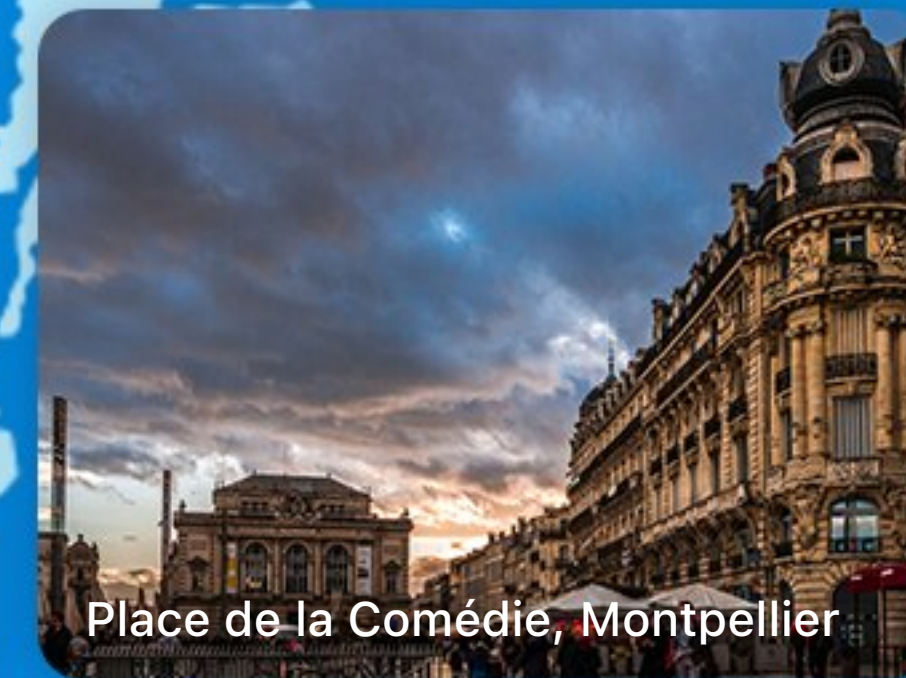
THE IDEAL HOST

Montpellier is a European metropolis blending a rich heritage and mediterranean charm.

The city is well-connected to major European cities, especially Paris.

It's a thriving sport and table tennis hub, home to a WTT Champions tournament.

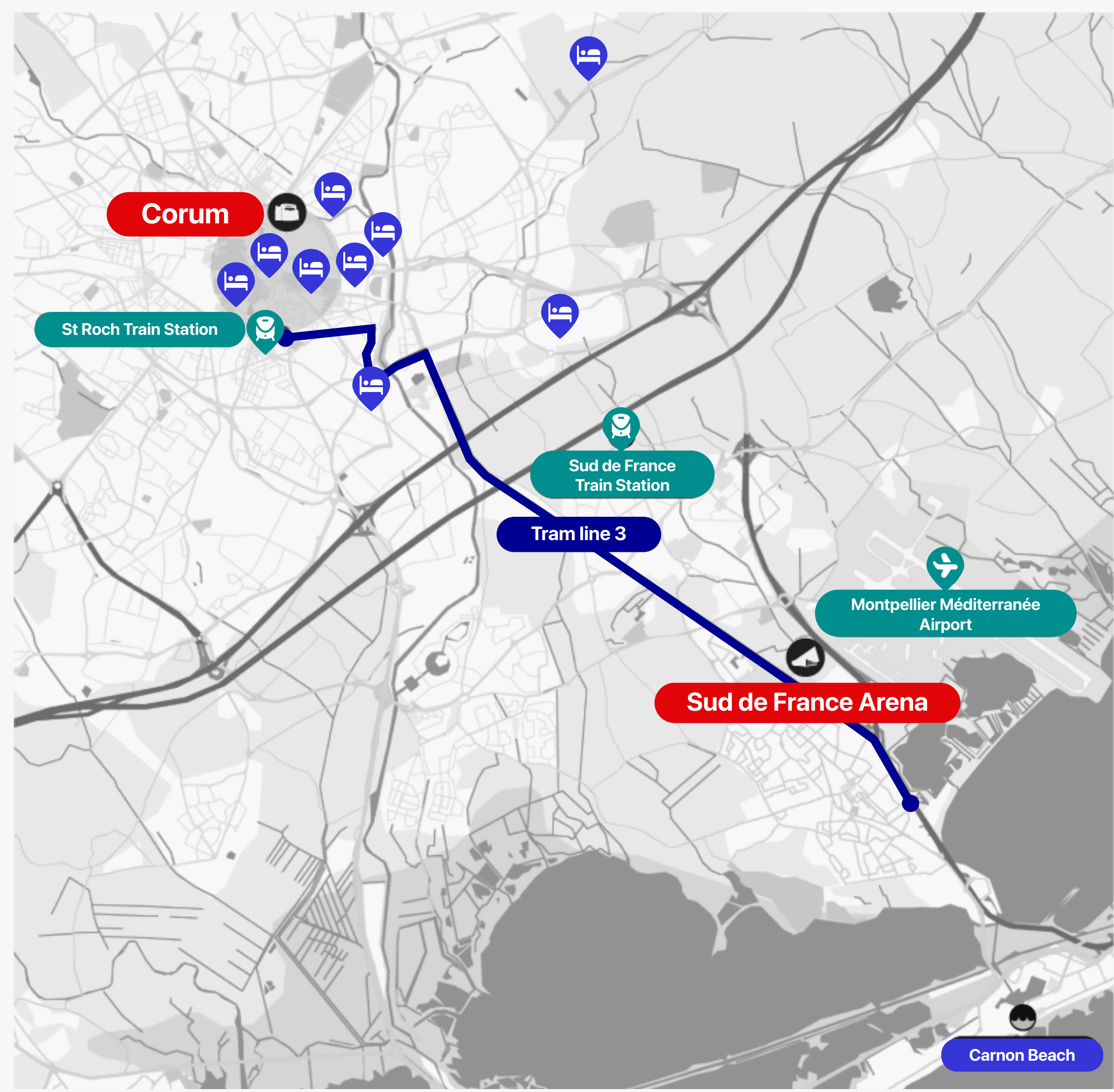
It sits at the heart of the Occitanie region, between the Mediterranean sea and the Pyrenees Mountains.



A COMPACT OPERATIONAL CONCEPT

Montpellier is a human-scale city.

All key locations - competition venue, hotels, transport hubs, and tourists attractions - are within a 10 kilometer radius.



HIGH STANDARD AND FULL SERVICED

	<i>Capacity (rooms)</i>
Crowne Plaza Corum 4*	144
Courtyard by Marriott 4*	123
Holiday Inn Odysseum 3*	90
Suities Novotel 4*	139
Mercure Antigone 4*	114
Mercure Comédie 4*	229
Pullman La Pléiade 4*	87
Océania Le Métropole 4*	96
Domaine de Verchant 5*	26



AN ALL-IN-ONE COMPETITION VENUE

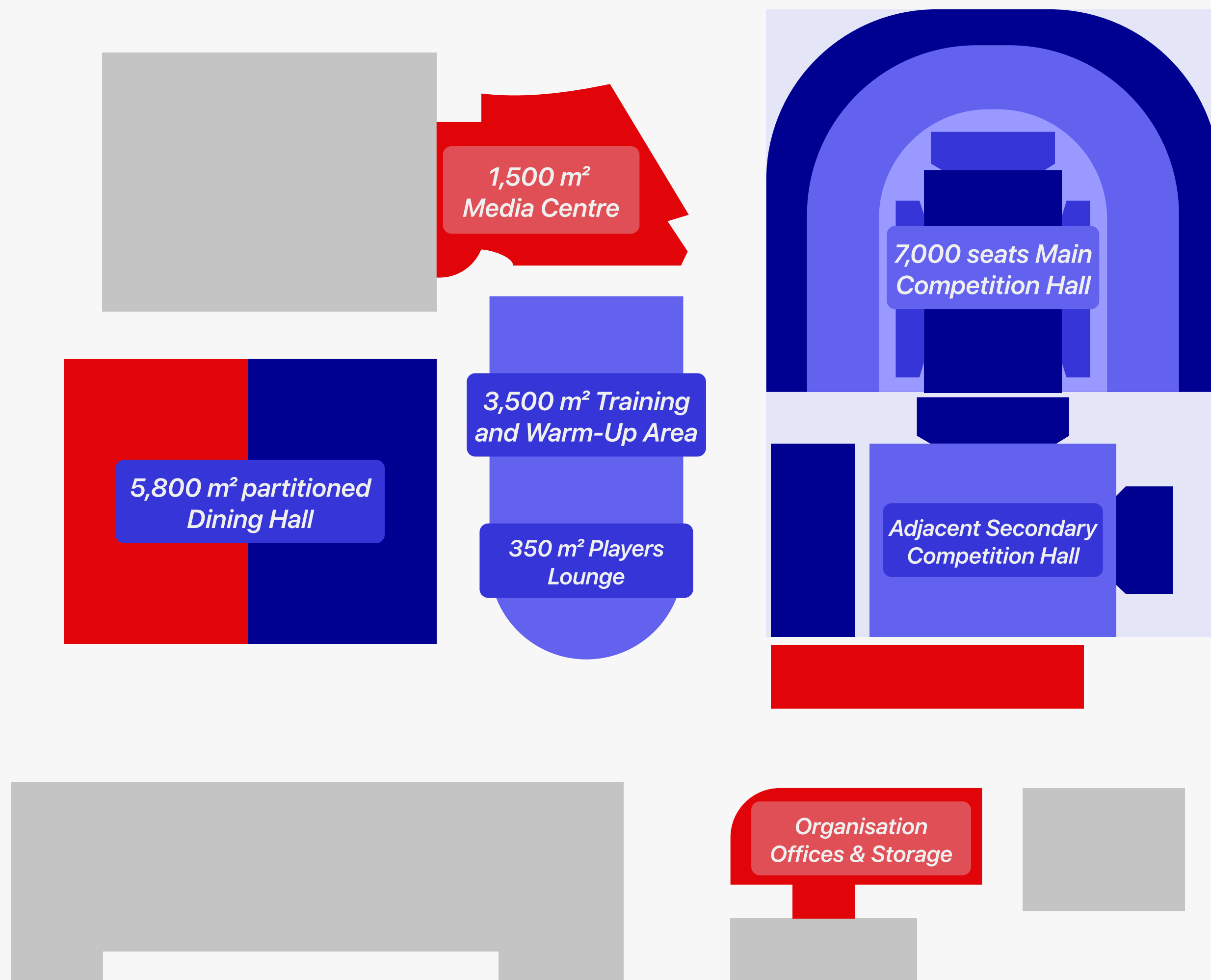
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A "5-MINUTE VENUE" CONCEPT

The 2027 WTTC Competition Venue unites the Sud de France Arena and Parc des Expositions.

This is more than a Competition Venue, this is a vibrant living place for all populations and fans.

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AN IMPACTFUL ITTF SUMMIT

Le Corum is a top-tier facility in the city center.

The venue includes three auditoriums, over 10 meeting rooms and two large event spaces.

4-star hotels within walking distance ensure convenience for attendees.

FFTT will enhance the program with added-value content in sport science and politics.

A EUROPEAN PING TOUR TO SPARK ENTHUSIASM BEFORE THE EVENT

A PING VILLAGE IN MONTPELLIER'S CITY CENTRE FOR A PUBLIC CELEBRATION

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THIS IS A LEGACY DRIVEN PROJECT

Inspiring the next generation of champions by putting young players and their coaches at the heart of the event.

Empowering local club by transferring equipment used for the 2027 WTTC.

Expanding table tennis access by introducing the sport into schools and urban spaces through the use and creation of outdoor playgrounds.

Enhancing Occitanie's tourism and economy by creating tailored hospitality experiences to attract visitors.

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