



### **The Federations :**

The Patton Army Vehicle Association, (P.A.V.A.), which was created on May, 3rd, 1989, with a view to acquiring, restoring and presenting to the public vehicles from the Liberation period in order to save them, due to their historic, technical or industrial interest.

Such Association, as well as its members, have joined at present the *Fédération Française de Véhicules d'Epoque (F.F.V.E.)*, which was created in 1968 as well as the *Fédération Française des Groupes de Conservation de Véhicules Militaires (F.F.M.V.G.C.)* which was created in 1978. Both institutions' statutory purposes aim at gathering and defending the interests of any Club, Museum, Association or collectors who participate in preserving the automotive, military and historical patrimony.

In this respect, the social purpose of the *Fédération Française de Véhicules d'Epoque (F.F.V.E.)* is to encourage, to co-ordinate and to develop the momentum of the preservation, of the use and of the collection of any antique vehicle of whichever kind. Such Federation contributes in the tracking and saving of any element concerning the preservation of the industrial and cultural patrimony. It gathers the associations that represent the antique vehicles' lovers as well the antique vehicles' museums. It represents the various collectors of antique vehicles before the Authorities. It communicates on antique vehicles with the appropriate institutions and media. It identifies and authenticates the antique vehicles. It advises on the legislation, the administration, etc...

It gathers , in France, nearly one thousand clubs, associations or museums and more than one hundred and thirty thousand collectors, i.e . nearly five hundred thousand collector's vehicles, among them more than forty thousand vehicles from the military.

Likewise, the *Fédération Française des Groupes de Conservation de Véhicules Militaires (F.F.M.V.C.G.)*'s purpose. is to gather and federate into the same spirit, into a same identity and a same ethics, associations of collectors of military vehicles and engines, groups of re-constitution that have the same social purpose, while such associations remain nonetheless totally autonomous and independent. But is also to ensure, to promote and defend to under any circumstances their representation, their interests before the Authorities, the communities, the media, the national and international instances who either care about or are in charge of our military, technical, industrial patrimony, of our legislation, of our rules, etc...It gathers about fifty clubs and associations that represent more than one thousand collectors and more than two thousand vehicles.

The F.P.V.A. (*Fédération des collectionneurs pour la sauvegarde du Patrimoine et la préservation des Véhicules, équipements ou Armes historiques*) Association was born in 2006, upon the initiative taken by collectors of vehicles, ships, aircrafts, transmission materials, gas masks, equipments, historical objects or weapons, that were considered war material by the rules and regulations. Via its purpose of association as well as its Chart of Behaviour, the FPVA Association supports the rights of collectors

before the authorities, in order to avoid any extra regulatory constraint and in order to obtain the easing of regulations that is necessary to develop the collection of any antiques of military origin. This Association thus contributes to the safeguard and preservation of France's cultural patrimony and support the collector's freedom to acquire, hold, restore, circulate and freely display the objects, vehicles, ships, aircrafts that are considered war materials, in order to guard that in view of their historical, technical on industrial interest. The Association gathers members who are eager to share their skills and to participate together to concretize the duty of memory to the victims of wars and to the veterans. It also concurs to the maintaining of the "Army-Nation" link, as it encourages the knowledge of our armies' history near the population.

The Patton Army Vehicle Association (P.A.V.A), the *Fédération Française de Véhicules d'Epoque (F.F.V.E)*, the *Fédération Française des Groupes de Conservation de Véhicules Militaires (F.F. M.V.C.G.)*, as well as the totality of the French Associations that contribute to the preservation of the automotive patrimony are members to the *Fédération Internationale de Véhicules Anciens (F.I.V.A.)*. This latter is in charge with the defence of the interests of the collectors of antique civil and military vehicles near the European instances and near the powerful *Fédération Internationale Automobile (F.I.A.)*. The *Fédération Internationale de Véhicules Anciens (F.I.V.A.)* gathers, worldwide, more than fifty countries, among them twenty six European countries and about a total of two million and a half collectors