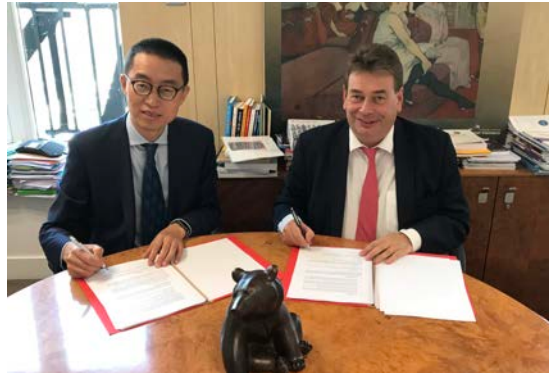




**UnionPay cards and mobile payment solutions will soon be accepted in the CB system.**

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Philippe LAULANIE - CEO - Groupement des Cartes Bancaires CB

**UnionPay International and Groupement des Cartes Bancaires CB (CB Bank Card Group) signed on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July a strategic agreement that aims to accept UnionPay cards and mobile payment solutions in the CB system.**

This agreement indicates concretely the start of a collaboration to enable UnionPay solutions and its innovative technical functionalities to be operated by the CB system's merchant terminals.

This cooperation should allow French banks and merchants to better welcome users of UnionPay cards or mobile payment solutions that are issued in 48 countries and regions worldwide including China.

The use of UnionPay payment solutions is already available in many ATMs and merchants frequently visited by tourists. It can now be extended to merchants of the whole CB system in an optimal way by using existing payment terminals.

Zihong Wei, Market Director of UnionPay International and Head of UnionPay International Europe stated: "UnionPay International is very delighted to collaborate with CB, the leading system in France, which will conclude to mutually beneficial partnerships with French banks and merchants."

Philippe LAULANIE, CEO of Groupement des Cartes Bancaires CB responded: « CB is honored to be part of this partnership with UnionPay International, a key player in global payment. This cooperation allows to share a collective strategic vision of the future. It also shows an open CB payment system that places itself at the service of its members, partners, merchants and especially of its customers.»

## ABOUT UNIONPAY INTERNATIONAL

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*In partnership with more than 1800 institutions worldwide, UnionPay International has enabled card acceptance in 170 countries and regions, covering 51 million merchants and 2.57 million ATMs. Over 7 billion UnionPay cards have been issued in 48 countries and regions. UnionPay International provides high quality, cost effective and secure cross-border payment services to the world's largest cardholder base and ensures convenient local services to a growing number of global UnionPay cardholders and merchants.*

*UnionPay in Europe:*

- *accepted in 39 European countries and regions*
- *over 2.3 million merchants – over 60% of all the bankcard-accepting merchants in Europe.*

*To find out more: <http://www.unionpayintl.com/en/>*

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## ABOUT CB

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*CB, Innovation integrator.*

*Founded in 1984 in order to create an interoperable universal card payment system and a cash withdrawal system in ATMs in France, Groupement des Cartes Bancaires CB (CB Bank Card Group), a non-profit organization, is the governing body of the CB card payment system.*

*In 2017, CB had 112 banks and payment institutions members in the world.*

*CB defines the overall structure of the system, interbank rules, procedures and manages risks. CB also defines the technical and safety standards and ensures that the products and services used in the CB system meet the requirements of these standards. CB also incorporates the specifications of other payment systems to provide expanded service to its customers and a more simple service to merchants. In addition, CB operates on an information system, offering its members powerful data mining tools to fight against fraud.*

*CB is the leading payment system in France with:*

- *68.3 million CB cards in circulation*
- *55,810 ATMs*
- *1,610,000 CB merchant contracts*
- *11.90 billion transactions, for a total amount of 564.6 billion euros in 2017, slightly more than 40% of the domestic consumption using a CB card*

*To find out more: [www.cartes-bancaires.com](http://www.cartes-bancaires.com)*

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