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## **ENTRIES FULL FOR THE 2009 INTERNATIONAL PARIS HALF-MARATHON: 25 000 RUNNERS REGISTERED**

The organisers of the Paris International Half-Marathon have closed entries after receiving 25 000 complete applications. Within the space of just 3 months entries were full once again this year, a clear indication of the manifest enthusiasm generated by this event. The Paris Half-Marathon is a landmark event for running fans and many consider it an ultimate preparation for the Paris Marathon, which will this year be held on the 5th of April.

The start of the Paris Half-Marathon will be launched from the Château de Vincennes, avenue Daumesnil in the 12<sup>th</sup> district of Paris, on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March 2009, at 10.00 am. The route, essentially through Eastern Paris, will take the runners through the streets of the capital via Place de la Nation, Place de la Bastille, Quai de l'Hôtel de Ville, rue de Rivoli and the Bois de Vincennes, with a finish at the Château de Vincennes.

As is the case every year, the village will open its doors prior to the race, on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> and Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> of March, in the Hall de la Pinède at the Parc Floral de Vincennes. All runners can collect their bib numbers here and profit from this privileged meeting place for runners and professionals from the running community. Close to 40 exhibitors will be present and, once again this year, this exhibition will be open free of charge to the public.

***The list of registered runners and further race information is available at the official web site:***

**[www.semideparis.com](http://www.semideparis.com)**

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