

Q-DAY SUMMIT / POSITION PAPER

2nd edition taking place on June 8, 2027, in Paris.

In a context marked by the acceleration of technological breakthroughs, the rise of cyber vulnerabilities, digital sovereignty challenges, and the need for strengthened coordination between public and private stakeholders, quantum technologies now occupy a new strategic position.

Indeed, they concentrate both a major promise of transformation and a growing risk to the security of communications, the protection of sensitive data, the resilience of critical infrastructure, and ultimately, the decision-making autonomy of States.



A project led by **Laurent Leloup**, the **Q-Day Summit** is positioned as a niche annual executive summit dedicated to the cryptographic transition in the face of quantum risk, centered on the quantum threat and PQC (Post-Quantum Cryptography). Its ambition, initiated in June 2026, is to structure and cultivate an international ecosystem bringing together decision-makers, experts, strategic industrial players, solution providers, and sovereignty stakeholders.

The project aims to create a focused, useful framework oriented toward effective work, anchoring attention at the intersection of strategic awareness, networking among relevant international players, narrative structuring, and preparing concrete next steps. It operates on a logic of elite qualification, with a deliberately selective audience of around 300 people for the 2027 edition (150 in 2026).

Its central focus is cleverly centered on the state of quantum-related threats and vulnerabilities, their implications for sovereignty and resilience, as well as the conditions for credible collective organization in the face of these challenges. It thus distinguishes itself from a generalist trade show or conference by aiming to bring together stakeholders who must share a common understanding of the issues, identify blind spots, and foster concrete priorities that favor real-world implementation.

To achieve its objectives, the summit is designed to be simultaneously:

- A space for reasoned warnings regarding the threat and the transition to be undertaken;
- A space for strategic education on concepts, time horizons, and critical dependencies;
- A space for guidance to help define priorities and guidelines;
- A space for qualified networking, blending spontaneous exchanges and pre-arranged meetings;
- A space for activation, intended to lead to concrete outcomes.

Its framework is built on the premise that the full integration of post-quantum solutions will take time, even as the "**Harvest Now, Decrypt Later**" (HNDL) risk makes the issue immediately pressing.

The focus is thus placed on **risk**, **resilience**, **sovereignty**, and the **security of critical infrastructure**, along with the associated challenges of governance, budgeting, and adoption by non-technical decision-makers.

The event's architecture relies on four complementary formats: "keynotes" to establish the diagnosis and provide high-level perspective; "round tables" to compare viewpoints; "mini-booths" to foster visibility and informal exchange; and "business facilitation" to organize targeted meetings.



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The lineup of speakers, blending institutional profiles, defense, solution providers, ecosystem players, experts, and recognized academic figures, fits into a broader strategy: making the event a moment of crystallization, followed by structured and continuous long-term follow-up.

Consequently, for associate members or institutional sponsors, the Q-Day Summit provides a space for awareness and influence, a qualified access point to an emerging ecosystem, and an international platform for niche observation and dialogue.

Building on the success of the 1st edition in 2026, this event enables France (and beyond its borders) to better perceive specific international trajectories, identify high-value profiles that are otherwise difficult to locate, and contribute to a more coherent organization of effective responses to a major systemic transformation.

About Laurent Leloup



An entrepreneur, author, and strategist, Laurent Leloup is among the figures who have helped structure the discussion in France regarding disruptive technologies, particularly in the fields of blockchain, digital trust, and strategic innovation. Creator of the media outlet Finyear (www.finyear.com) and notably the author of « Blockchain, la révolution de la confiance » (Eyrolles 2016), he has established himself as a recognized authority for his ability to make complex shifts readable and to clarify their implications for public and private decision-makers.

In January 2026, he initiated an international summit, the Q-Day Summit (www.qdayssummit.com) dedicated to the strategic challenges posed by quantum disruption, with the ambition of structuring a high-level dialogue between technology, sovereignty, and collective action.

In June 2026, he joined the international NGO GQTA (Global Quantum Threat Alliance), based in Geneva, as Secretary-General (www.GQTA.org).

In July 2026, he launched the creation of the Institut Quantique (for Sovereignty and Resilience), a non-profit association based in Paris (www.institutquantique.fr).

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