



FRANCE, ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST RESEARCH-INTENSIVE NATIONS

- €48 billion in R&D investment
- ◆ More than 260,000 researchers, 60% of them in industry
- ◆ More than 75,000 doctoral candidates

FRANCE, WORLD'S 5TH-LARGEST ECONOMY

- 5th in OECD for R&D spending
- Share of GDP devoted to research: 2.23%

A HIGH-LEVEL OF SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT

- 4th in the world in impact of publications (H-Index)
- 6th in the world in number of patent applications
- 61 Nobel Prizes

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF FRENCH RESEARCHERS

- 2nd in the world in number of Fields Medals
- 4th in the world in number of Nobel Prizes

A RESEARCH SYSTEM WITH INTERNATIONAL APPEAL

- ◆ 10% of researchers in the public sector are from outside France
- 41.1% of doctoral candidates are from outside France
- 90% of publicly funded research is done in the university system

IN THE WORLD'S

- 6th in number of scientific publications
- 8th in researchers per capita

CNRS, RECOGNIZED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

- World's top research institution in terms of high-level scientific publications (Scimago 2016)
- World's top research institution in number of patents

WORLDWIDE RESEARCH NETWORK

- France's major research bodies (CNRS, CIRAD, INRA, INSERM, IRD, Institut Pasteur, etc.) operate in more than 250 locations around the world
- 53.16% of French scientific papers are international copublications (Scimago 2015)

PARTICIPATION IN PROJECTS OF INTERNATIONAL SCOPE AND SCALE

 European Synchrotron (ESRF); Large Hadron Collider (CERN); Very Large Telescope (ESO); European Space Agency; Ariane rocket family (CNES, Arianespace); and many more

INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT IN RESEARCH IN FRANCE

- Foreign firms account for one-fifth of the private R&D conducted in France
- 62% of researchers in France work in the private sector