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CÔTE D'AZUR: JOIN THE DIGITAL ELITE

NICE, ÉCO-VALLÉE, SOPHIA ANTIPOLIS, CANNES, GRASSE





WELCOME TO A HIGH-TECH LAND

A highly desirable place to live and work, Côte d'Azur is a magnet for engineers and entrepreneurs from all over the world. While Sophia Antipolis concentrates IT businesses and R&D centers focused on technologies, Nice invents the future of the smart city.

AT THE HEART
OF EMEA



EUROPE'S LEADING SCIENCE
& TECHNOLOGY PARK

THE WORLD
CAPITAL OF
FRAGRANCES

GRASSE

SOPHIA
ANTIPOLIS

MICE,
CINEMA,
NEW MEDIA &
ENTERTAINMENT

CANNES

ANTIBES

NICE

2ND INTERNATIONAL
AIPT IN FRANCE

MÉTROPOLE
NICE CÔTE D'AZUR
4TH SMARTEST CITY
IN THE WORLD

MONACO

MENTON

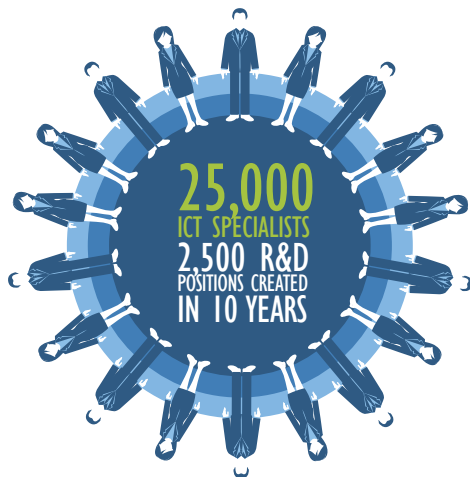
+ HIRE IT EXPERTS TO BOOST YOUR INNOVATION



#1 REASON
FOR GLOBAL LEADERS
TO LOCATE THEIR R&D
IN SOPHIA ANTIPOLIS:
**EXPERT TEAMS IN
STRATEGIC IT SEGMENTS**



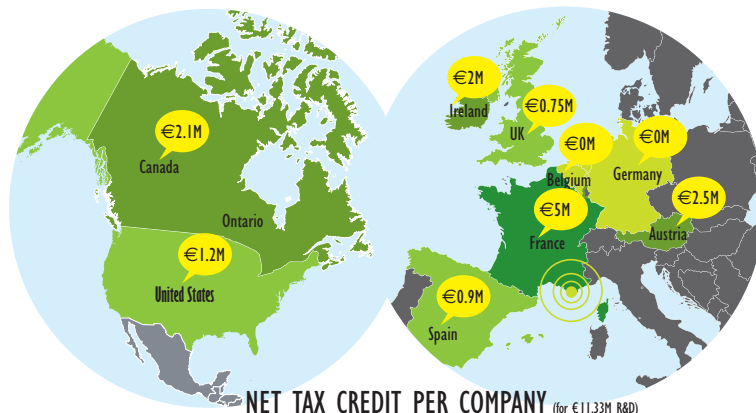
**2,700 STUDENTS &
800 RESEARCHERS**
IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



Students and researchers at the SophiaTech Campus (Eurecom, Polytech Nice Sophia, INRIA, CNRS) and the Data ScienceTech Institute specialize in the following fields:

- Mobile Communications
- Communication for Intelligent Transport Systems
- Security in Computer Systems & Communications
- Ubiquitous Mobility, Data Bases & Systems Integration
- Electronics & Industrial Computing
- Image & 3D Modelling
- Computer Science & Maths in Finance & Insurance
- Data Science & Engineering
- Executive Big Data Analyst
- Mathematics & IT Modelling
- Management of Innovative Projects.

+ FINANCE YOUR R&D WITH «THE MOST ATTRACTIVE R&D TAX POLICY IN THE WORLD»^{OECD}



Very favorable

Unfavorable

Source: Business France / a simulation by Taj Firm (Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited 2011)



**TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
PUBLIC FUNDING**
IN COLLABORATIVE R&D PROJECTS.
€294M IN PUBLIC SUBSIDIES HAVE BEEN
CHANNELED THROUGH THE SCS CLUSTER TO 174
PROJECTS, ACCOUNTING FOR €7 BN OF R&D EXPENSES.

**WRITE OFF
8% < 30%**

OF YOUR R&D EXPENSES
UP TO €100M*
WITH FRANCE'S

RESEARCH TAX CREDIT
*AND AN ADDITIONAL 5% FOR
ALL EXPENSES ABOVE €100M



ENHANCE R&D EFFICIENCY IN A TECH-DRIVEN ECOSYSTEM

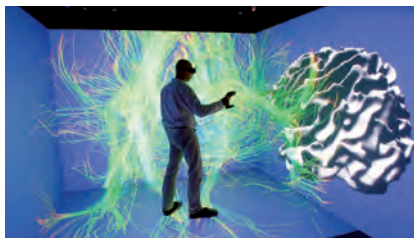
Offer your ICT teams direct access to a powerful ecosystem to meet the needs of your R&D roadmap:

- A strong **research** hub (INRIA, CNRS, Eurecom...)
- **IP & technology** transfer specialists (SATT Sud Est, INRIA)
- World-class **standards** (ETSI, WV3C)
- **Collaborative projects & industry clusters** (Secured and Communicating Solutions, Pegase, CapEnergies, Eurobiomed)
- **International competitions** (IoT, WT, Cloud Innovation World Cup, Galileo Masters, Huawei Digital in-Pulse, ...)
- **Business angels** and funding partners (SBA, FCPR, MI, ...)
- **Incubators, accelerators** in IoT, cleantech, and more.



EXPERIMENT WITH ADVANCED TECHNICAL PLATFORMS

- **INRIA** immersive space
- **Com4Innov** IMS, RCS, M2M, 4G/LTE platform
- **CIM PACA** integrated circuits conception platform
- **CREMANT** point-to-point testing telecom platform
- **LEAT** anechoic chamber
- The Smart City **Innovation Center** & **Nice Grid** demonstrator
- Health Innovation & Apps experimentation platforms (**CIU-Santé**)
- **The Digital Image Living Lab** (soon)
- **Sofab**, a fablab dedicated to IoT
- **Ecolab**, a fablab dedicated to sustainable design & cleantech.



JOIN A POWERFUL AND DYNAMIC IT INDUSTRY

€ 4.05 BILLION
IN REVENUE
55% EXPORTS

114 FOREIGN OWNED COMPANIES



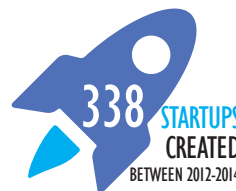
EMPLOYING 7,363 PEOPLE



IT
9,000 JOBS
CREATED SINCE 2000, INCL.
2,500 JOBS
DEDICATED TO R&D



1,710 COMPANIES &
21,775 EMPLOYEES



110 FUNDRAISERS SINCE
2010 RESULTING IN €222M

20 INTERNATIONAL AWARDS
IN THE PAST 5 YEARS





BE INSPIRED BY LOCAL CHAMPIONS

A vibrant community of advanced startups and SME's are furthering innovation, winning awards, raising finance and gaining leadership in international markets:

Locally-grown international leaders:

Ask - A leading supplier of secure contactless solutions for the identity and transport markets. Ask raised €25M on the French stock market in 2014.

Median Technologies - A leading medical imaging solutions and service provider. Median Technologies raised €20M in 2015.

Mobibase - The European leader in video services and mobile TV. Mobibase established its R&D center in Côte d'Azur in 2011.

Orolia - A global specialist in critical Global Navigation Satellite System solutions. Orolia became the premier supplier of search and rescue products, systems and solutions by acquiring TechnoSciences, Inc in 2014.

A few of Côte d'Azur promising startups:

Conztanz - A startup specializing in big data and software for the aviation and travel industry. It raised €2M in 2015.

Dynadmic - A pioneer in video contextual analysis for real-time advertising. Dynadmic raised \$3M in 2014.

Feeligreen - The creator of IoT Cosmetics & Dermo-therapeutics. Feeligreen won the WWT/Healthcare Innovation World Cup and Huawei Digital in-Pulse IoT Award in 2015.

M2M Solution - A M2M pioneer focusing on connected home services. M2M Solution won the Connected Objects Wellbeing & Health Trophy in 2014.

Qwant - The European search engine «made in Nice».

Wildmoka - An expert in video automation, enrichment and monetization technologies. Wildmoka became Canal+ partner in 2015.



INTERACT WITH GLOBAL LEADERS





BENEFIT FROM OUR CORE TECHNOLOGIES IN YOUR BACKYARD

With an expertise in microelectronics, telecommunications, and software, Côte d'Azur develops cutting-edge expertise in strategic segments that nurture dynamic markets in the IT and other industries continuing to grow locally.



+ START-UP EASILY WITH OUR SOFT-LANDING SOLUTIONS

Côte d'Azur offers a great choice of incubators, business centers and accelerators:



BUSINESS PÔLE

- **Business Pole** - It hosts the Telecom Paris Tech & PACA-Est incubators, a European Space Agency Business Innovation Centre, a co-working space, the SCS & Pégase clusters, Telecom Valley association, Com4Innov platform,
#ict #aerospace @ Sophia Antipolis
- **EIT Digital** #ict #cloud #security #smart uses @ Sophia Antipolis
- **CEEI 27 Delvalle** #ehealth #medtech @ Nice
- **CEEI Nice Premium** #smartcity #cleantech @ Nice ÉcoVallée
- **Allianz Accelerator** #bigdata #sports @ Nice ÉcoVallée
- **Creacannes**
#gaming #entertainment #3d #creative industries @ Cannes
- **Innovagrasse** #aroma #cosmetics #biotech @ Grasse

+ BE PART OF A GROWING INTERNATIONAL TECH NETWORK



+ ACCESS PREMIUM OFFICE SPACE AT AN AFFORDABLE PRICE

Côte d'Azur offers premium offices with some of the most competitive rental prices in Europe - 4 times cheaper than Paris.



+ ENJOY EASY FOREIGN INTERACTIONS

With over 5 million foreign tourists, 100,000 foreign residents, 1138 foreign companies, 21 international schools, and dozens of international media, Côte d'Azur promotes a truly multi-cultural environment.



+ THE WORLD IS ONLY 30MIN FROM YOUR DESKTOP

Located 5km from Nice city center, the 2nd largest international airport in France offers direct flights to over 100 worldwide destinations.



+ ENJOY A UNIQUE LIFESTYLE



With 300 days of sun a year, 120 km of coastline, 15 ski resorts, and over 6,000 cultural and sport events a year, Côte d'Azur offers your employees and family members much more than a workplace.

+ HEAR WHAT YOUR PEERS ARE SAYING



Sophia Antipolis stands out as the best location to establish a worldwide competence center in image signal processing (ISP) ahead of Silicon Valley.

Guy Maugis, Bosch France

ICT Sophia Antipolis Germany



Sophia Antipolis offers a unique pool of talent in software and electronics.

Karl Song, Huawei France

ICT Sophia Antipolis China



The Sophia Antipolis science park and its powerful ecosystem provide real value to the development of mobile technologies and innovative solutions.

Moussa Belkhir, Samsung France Research Center

ICT Sophia Antipolis South Korea



This 'smarter cities' area demonstrates the key role of technology for local authorities in creating an operations, for management of urban systems.

Gerry Mooney, IBM Worldwide

CloudTech, ICT Metropole Nice-Côte d'Azur United States



We appreciate the existence of good schools and colleges in the region, and Sophia Antipolis is an excellent environment for engineers.

Massimo Lucchina, Cisco

ICT Sophia Antipolis United States

= CHOOSE CÔTE D'AZUR:
The place to be for
companies that want it all!

TEAM UP WITH US FOR A SMOOTH SET-UP

Team Côte d'Azur assists you in:

- Connecting to the business ecosystem
- Finding the best site for your business
- Recruiting your teams
- Accessing public incentives
- Channeling your communication

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expertise



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