French Research and Innovation landscape
France’s Research Landscape

- 75 public Universities
- 150 Grandes Ecoles
- 26 public research organisations (CNRS, INSERM, CEA, INRA, INRIA, IFREMER, CNES, IRD, CIRAD etc.)
- 2 private foundations (Institut Pasteur and Institut Curie)
- 295 754 researchers among which 28% are women
- 1,6M students and 71 159 PhD students
- 71 competitiveness clusters
- 2.2% of GDP dedicated to research (49.5 billion €)

France’s population = 67.8 million

https://www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr/fr/grands-chiffres-de-rd-45890
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7 good reasons to choose France for your research:

- **Excellent research**: France takes 2nd world place for the number of Fields medals (11) and 2nd world place for Nobel prizes (65). It is the 3rd nation in Shanghai ranking (2021) and it takes the 4th world place for the impact of its scientific publications (H-index).

- **A country of innovation**: France is the 2nd EU country for the number of patents.

- **Attracting researchers from all over the world**: with 42% of foreigners among its PhD students, France is the 3rd host country in EU for young researchers.

- **A global network**: French R&I institutions are set in more than 250 destinations in the world, and more than 63% of French publications are made in collaboration with foreign researchers.

- **At the heart of international research projects**: French research is involved in large European and international research projects: particle physics with CERN, Arianespace, ITER project on nuclear fusion etc.

- **Dynamic R&I ecosystem**: 2/3 of French research is operated by the non-academic sector. 600,000 people work for R&I in enterprises.

- **Top level research infrastructures**: 108 RI, including large research infrastructures are listed in the national roadmap 2021, in different areas: astronomy and astrophysics, health and life sciences, human and social sciences, physics and engineering sciences etc.
Organisation of Research and Innovation in France

Academic sector
- National research centers
- Universities
- Grandes Ecoles

Research Units - Laboratories
- UMR
- UPR

Non-academic sector
- Large enterprises
- SMEs
- NGOs
- Hospitals
- Public Agencies
- Museums
- Etc.
How to find a Host Institution in France?

Tip 1: Activate your professional networks and existing collaborations.

Tip 2: Check publications in your research area. Who is the specialist/the lab you would like to work with?


Tip 4: Check Partner labs/researchers profiles on the ScanR platform: https://scanr.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr/

Tip 5: Interested by a fellowship in a private company? Check companies’ profiles on the Entreprise Europe Network partner search platform: https://een.ec.europa.eu/partners?f%5B0%5D=field_country%3A%2A
ScanR: Search Engine for French Research and Innovation

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Search by keywords, publications, authors’ names, projects’ names, types of entity, sectors, location etc.
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MSCA-NET profiles from France

**HOST INSTITUTIONS IN ACADEMIC SECTOR**
8 profiles

**HOST INSTITUTIONS – COMPANIES**
1 profile

**SUPERVISORS**
18 profiles
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