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The CNRS contributes to the visibility of French research worldwide through **80 International research laboratories** and a network of **8 offices abroad**.



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THE CNRS IN BRIEF

The French National Centre for Scientific Research, a multidisciplinary research body, structures its mission around six priorities:

Support world-class basic research in all disciplines.

Promote interdisciplinarity, in particular with regard to major societal issues.

Work hand in hand with industrial and economic players on groundbreaking innovations.

Be a key driver in promoting the international visibility of French research, in particular within the framework of large-scale European programmes and infrastructures.

Reshape partnerships with autonomous universities.

Contribute scientific culture and expertise to decision-makers and society at large.

Over

1,000

research units

Over

32,000

staff members

Over

95 %

of units are **in partnership** with universities, higher education institutions and other research organisations

10

Institutes* orchestrate the organisation's scientific policy

Nearly

€3.5

billion as the budget

* **INSB** Institute of Biological Sciences, **INC** Institute of Chemistry, **INEE** Institute of Ecology and Environment, **INSHS** Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences, **INS2I** Institute for Information Sciences and Technologies, **INSIS** Institute for Engineering and Systems Sciences, **INSMI** National Institute for Mathematical Sciences, **INP** Institute of Physics, **IN2P3** National Institute of Nuclear and Particle Physics, **INSU** National Institute for Earth Sciences and Astronomy

GENERATING KNOWLEDGE

With more than 15,000 researchers and 10,000 engineers and technicians, the CNRS is at the forefront of global research. 55,000 scientific publications currently originate from its more than 1,000 laboratories, which places the organisation among the top 5 institutions in several international rankings (Nature Index, Scimago Institutions Rankings, etc.)

ACTING INTERNATIONALLY

The CNRS contributes to the visibility of French research worldwide, within the European Research Area, through 80 International research laboratories, more than 1,400 European research contracts and 8 offices abroad.

DRIVING INNOVATION

The CNRS has finalised framework agreements with more than 20 large industrial groups and shares more than 200 joint research facilities with industry. With a portfolio exceeding 7,000 patent families, the CNRS is France's sixth-largest patent filer (INPI).

CREATING STARTUPS

The CNRS has introduced a policy aimed at supporting and encouraging business creation in the laboratories so as to ensure efficient technology transfer. CNRS scientists contribute to the creation of about a hundred startup companies each year.

REVEALING TALENTS

22 Nobel prize laureates and 12 Fields Medal winners have worked in CNRS joint research units. More than 600 researchers have obtained an ERC (European Research Council) grant.

DISSEMINATING KNOWLEDGE

The CNRS makes its results available to the widest possible audience through a twice-yearly journal, online magazines, numerous events, and novel content on the social networks.

COLLABORATING WITH UNIVERSITIES

The CNRS develops strong partnerships with universities, through joint units. It is also involved in site policies.

MANAGING LARGE-SCALE INSTRUMENTS

Telescopes, particle accelerators, computers and large databases: the CNRS is involved in the design and development of very large-scale research facilities, used in all disciplines.