The Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region

Oriented towards the Mediterranean due to its geographical location and the presence of a community of interests, the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region plays a key role within the Euro-Mediterranean partnership. It has moreover been selected as the "single managing authority" by the 9 member States of the MED European programme, endowed with European Regional Development Funds (ERDF) amounting to the sum of 193M€for the 2007/2013 period. Within the framework of its international economic strategy, aiming to federate its territories' socio-economic forces and support its companies in their international ventures, the Region looks particularly towards the mediterranean. Building on its company network support policy – the Regional Clusters for Innovation and Economic Development (PRIDES) - the region is also lead partner of Inter cluster Méditerranée IC MED project. Its objectives are to strengthen cooperation between clusters on the Northern shore of the Mediterranean and to work on common projects involving innovation.