

Summary



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- ☐ 4 metropolis : Marseille, Nice, Toulon et Avignon
- 5 millions of inhabitants
- ☐ The crossroads between: Europe <> Africa <> Middle East
- ☐ More than 2 200 international companies

☐ Three internationally renowned territories

Provence The Alps The Côte d'Azur

https://www.risingsud.fr/living-and-working-in-the-south-of-france-why-choose-the-sud-region/?lang=en



II –Cosmectics industry

PERFUMES AND COSMETICS: A LEADING TERRITORY







1rst Frech region for perfumes composition and cosmetic industry



386 COMPANIES



LABORATORIES



12,200 **JOBS**



70% **OF THE FRENCH DISTILLERIES**

Grasse



Les professionnels de la parfumerie

PRODAROM & ASFO

AROMATIC PLANTS SPECIES CULTIVATED



50%

OF THE FRENCH **FLAVOURS PRODUCTION**



The national associations of SME's of the cosmectic sector is based in Aix-en-Provence and gathers 600 members.

GRASSE, AN IMPORTANT HUB FOR THE CREATION OF PERFUMES **AND FLAVOURS**









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PRO-BUSINESS REFORMS STIMULATING COMPETITIVENESS AND INNOVATION

REDUCING CORPORATE TAXATION

Reducing corporate taxation (impôt) sur les sociétés - IS) from 33% to 25% by 2022

25%	2022
26.5%	2021 (revenues < €250 million)
28%	2020 (revenues < €250 million)
31%	2019 (revenues < €250 million)
33.3%	2017

Reducing local taxation by half (€10 billion per year)



- Competitive taxation of R&D
- Rate of corporate taxation (IS) at 10% for revenues from intellectual property
- Perpetuation of the research tax credit (crédit d'impôt recherche -CIR) equivalent to 30% of R&D expenditure

A specific helpdesk for foreign investors:



TRANSFORMING THE FRENCH SOCIAL MODEL

- Greater flexibility and predictability
- Simplification of dismissals for economic reasons
- · Facilitation of social dialogue: A single body for informing and consulting employees
- Lower social security contributions on low salaries (one of the lowest rates in the world)
- Adaptation of skills to the new needs of the economy
- Skills investment plan, €15 billion until 2022, in response to business' needs
- · Tripling of funding to promote youth employment



ACCELERATING BUSINESS SETUPS

- Facilitating industrial setups
- Accelerating and securing industrial projects, thanks to the simplification of administrative procedures
- Ready-to-use sites (investinfrance.fr)

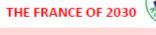
Facilitating access to public procurement: Easing government procurement rules

> Acceleration and Simplification of Public Action Act

Dematerialization of all administrative procedures by 2022



€100 BILLION TO BUILD



- Promoting the ecological transition
- Carbon neutrality by 2050
- Developing green hydrogen
- Stimulating innovation and reindustrialization
- €20 billion in future technologies

Digital healthcare, innovative therapies, infectious diseases

Cloud computing, cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, **EdTechs**

Quantum technologies, aerospace

 Calls for projects to take forward reindustrialization in five key sectors:

> Healthcare Essential inputs for industry Electronics Agri-food **Telecommunications**

New potential markets thanks to public investments







€3.1 billion



III - Financial support

STATE SUPPORT

• Direction régionale de l'économie, de l'emploi, du travail et des solidarités (DREETS):

We will check how the French State recovery plan might apply to your project.



Caisse des Dépôts and your company could create a Société par Actions Simplifiées (SAS, aka joint-stock company) which will cofinance the real estate part of the project (including the facilities: access to electricity, water network, air-conditioning...) via equity and quasi-equity brought by the partners as well as via debt.



PREFET DE LA RÉGION PROVENCE-ALPES-CÔTE D'AZUR

Agency for Ecological Transition (ADEME)

ADEME's financial support is directed towards projects that are working on: the reduction of energy consumption and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, the development of renewable energies and the circular economy, as well as the conversion of brownfields and polluted sites and the improvement of indoor and outdoor air quality.



Banque Publique d'Investissement (BPI)

BPI finances innovation and your R&D expenses with a maximum rate of 40% (loan or repayable advances)



REGIONAL SUPPORT REGION



Région Sud Attractivité:

Develop the region's attractiveness by encouraging the establishment of companies with high potential Supporting significant development projects

Object

Grant (100 K€ to 500 K€) or repayable advance (500 K€ to 1 M€)

→ Modular intervention (given the size of the company, scope of the project, number of jobs created or maintained, existing aid scheme, etc.)

Please note that the maximum grant amount for the Région Sud Attractivité tool may eventually be increased. This is subject to the company's situation, the file examination (voted in a regional Commission) and in compliance with the European regulatory framework.

• Regional Aid Zone « AFR » (Zone d'Aide à Finalité Régionale): according to the European regional aid system, on this site you will be eligible to higher State and Region grants levels, in addition to beneficing from a tax exemption on profits.