



Institut Montpelliérain de l'Eau et de l'Environnement

Montpellier Institute for Water and Environment

IM2E

Institut Montpelliérain de l'Eau et de l'Environnement

Eric Servat, Director of IM2E, <u>www.im2e.org</u>





The need for an academic cluster



Challenges



- Water resources and aquatic ecosystems are facing various and numerous challenges, such as:
 - o environment,
 - health,
 - o food,
 - o society,
 - o economics,
 - politics and geopolitics
 - 0 ...
- These challenges need a long term mobilization of high-level skills and multidisciplinary approaches.



Montpellier: A high level of expertise

- Institut Montpelliérain de l'Eau et de l'Environnement
- About 400 scientists and 150 PhD students, all of them belonging to 15 different research Units
- International activities, mainly in the "Euro-Mediterranean" area and in Africa,
- A well known university,
- A Water Cluster "Aqua-Valley" bringing together all partners of the "Water community"



IM2E Laboratories



- 15 Joint Research Units
- All scientific fields dealing with water :
 - Hydrology
 - Physics and chemistry/geochemistry
 - Mathematics and modeling
 - Remote sensing
 - Biology
 - Economy
 - Social sciences
 - 0 ...



15 Laboratories

ART-DEV	GRED	LISAH
ARTDEV LIGHT AND CONTROL OF THE PARTY OF THE	Gouvernance, Risque, Environment, Développ	Laboratoire d'étude des Interactions
BRGM/NRE brgm	HSM HydroScience	ess est est est est est est est est est
ESPACE-DEV ESPACE DEV	Montpellie chas ind in the chas ind in the chas ind in the chase in th	LGEI
G-EAU Gestion de l'Eau, Acteurs, Usages	ITAP	TETIS
GM Geosciences Montpellier	LAMETA LAMET LAMET GEODOITE MODIFIED GEODOITE TREGING ET APPLIE	LBE



A strongly supported Institute



- Research Organisms:
 - o BRGM
 - o CIRAD
 - CNRS
 - INRA
 - o IRD
 - IRSTEA

• Universities:

- AgroParisTech
- CIHEAM-IAMM
- o EMA
- ENSCM
- SUPAGRO
- Antilles University
- Guyane University
- La Réunion University
- Montpellier University
- Paul Valery Montpellier University
- Perpignan University



Objectives of the Institute



 Meet the challenges of knowledge and adaptation in order to address water-related issues



Objectives of the Institute



- Meet the challenges of knowledge and adaptation in order to address water-related issues
- **Promote interdisciplinary approaches** in order to confront environmental challenges



Objectives of the Institute



- Meet the challenges of knowledge and adaptation in order to address water-related issues
- Promote interdisciplinarity in order to confront environmental challenges
- Produce technological innovations and know-how through interaction with the Businesses and the Water Cluster Aqua-Valley







- Meet the challenges of knowledge and adaptation in order to address water-related issues
- Promote interdisciplinarity in order to confront environmental challenges
- Produce technological innovations and know-how through interaction with the Businesses and the Water Cluster Aqua-Valley
- Support public policy with recognised multidisciplinary expertise







- Meet the challenges of knowledge and adaptation in order to address water-related issues
- Promote interdisciplinarity in order to confront environmental challenges
- Produce technological innovations and know-how through interaction with the Businesses and the Water Cluster Aqua-Valley
- Support public policy with recognised multidisciplinary expertise
- **Develop collaborations** at the European and international levels







- Meet the challenges of knowledge and adaptation in order to address water-related issues
- Promote interdisciplinarity in order to confront environmental challenges
- Produce technological innovations and know-how through interaction with the Businesses and the Water Cluster Aqua-Valley
- Support public policy with recognised multidisciplinary expertise
- Develop collaborations at the European and international levels
- Become a leading European resource centre (training and research) that is attractive to countries of both the North and the South







Current high level activities	Challenges
Hydrosystems	Interactions in the hydrological
	territories
Hydroclimatic hazards	Water resources and forward-looking
	scenarios
Metrology and innovative	Water & Agriculture
treatment processes	
Dynamics of contaminants and	Technological innovations for the
answers of the aquatic systems	protection, the economy and the
	re-use of the water
Water, users and territories	Hazards, contaminants, health

A Support to Water Training Courses

- A recognized knowhow:
 - Master « Eau »,
 - Schools of Enginneers,
 - Advanced Masters,
 - Doctoral Schools



IM2E and on-site strategic projects on the strategic projects of the strategic projects on the strategic projects of the strategic project of the strategic project of the str

- IM2E is helpful to strengthen the position and the role of Water Sciences locally, specially in the framework of the MUSE (Montpellier University of Excellence) I-SITE project:
 - Convergence Lab (IC WATERS WATer, Ecosystems, Resources in Societies)
 - Montpellier Graduate Shool of Water Sciences
 - Industrial Chair
 - HydroPolis: a project bringing together at the same place research teams, Master and PhD students, and Businesses to improve research activities, innovation and technology transfer

