





VEGEPOLYS

INTERNATIONAL CLUSTER

Add on vegetal value

Why a plant cluster in Western France ?



Fruits

Vegetables

Ornamental Horticulture

Seeds

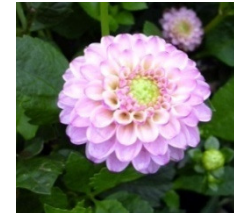
Medicinal & aromatic plants

Mushrooms

Wine-growing

Cider

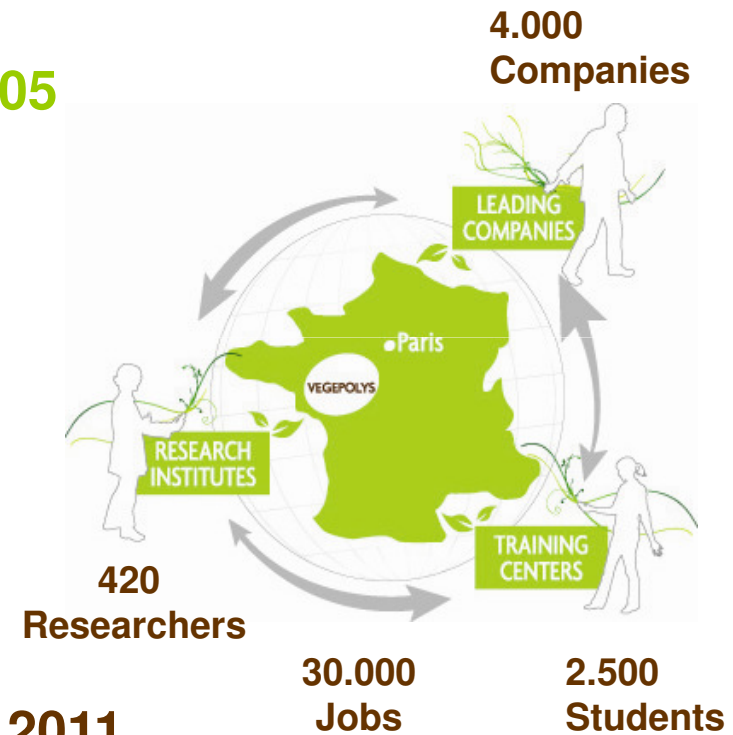
Tobacco



A unique concentration In Europe

VEGEPOLYS, the international plant cluster since 2005

- ⇒ **350 members**
- ⇒ **About 175 labelled projects**
- ⇒ **Over 90 million euros in investment**
- ⇒ **Over 40 million euros in funds**
- ⇒ **100 incoming of new researchers in 2011**
- ⇒ **National and international partnerships**



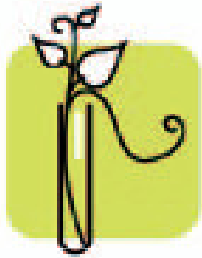
Main scopes

**Our goal:
to become the world's leading cluster for the
production of
eco-friendly and
health friendly plants.**

- Creating and/or developing plants that lead to a **lower consumption of inputs** (fertilisers, pesticides, energy, water) and that have a more favourable impact on **biodiversity, health and environment**
- Creating plants that are factors of **differentiation**.

Topics in research and innovation

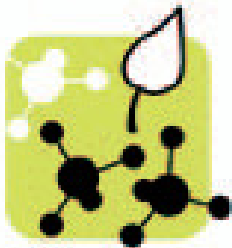
Support common projects around 3 technological key themes:



Plant breeding



Plant protection and
cropping system



Plants for health, well-being
and human environment



Resources

Members contribute to the financing of the cluster by 50% (fees, projects).

The other 50% of the financing are guaranteed by

- the Europe Union,
- the French nation as well as
- the territorial collectivities (on a regional and local level).



Thanks for your attention



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