The Paris Region #Leader strategy and EER year 2018

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SUMMARY:

- The Ile-de-France Region in a nutshell
- The #Leader strategy
- Our EER year: what happened in 2018?
- Tips for future applicants?

Paris Region key figures

Europe's Leading Economic & Innovation Region

€ 660B of GDP

With 27 Fortune 500 companies across industries such as Energy, Construction, Manufacturing, Retail, Luxury, Finance

€ 1.7B VC Funding

+30% from 2015
Paris Region represents
68% of VC investments
in France

5,000+ Startups

Artificial
Intelligence, AR/VR,
Drones, Smart
Mobility, Retail,
Connected Health,
Big Data,
Cybersecurity, etc.

€19B for R&D

Annual public and private expenditure for R&D programs

1,200+ R&D Labs

Involving 155,000 workers and researchers





#1 Region in Europe for R&D



Markets

Construction,
Healthcare, Drugs,
Manufacturing,
Energy,
Extractive industries
Aircraft industry,
Transportation

Tech

Artificial Intelligence, Embedded Systems, Chemical & Material Technologies,5G, Sensors, Robotics, IoT, Big Data, Digital Modeling, etc.







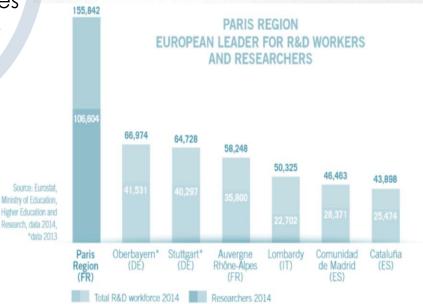














#1 Startup Region in Europe

- 5,000 startups with a focus on Deep Tech, Al, IoT, etc.
- 1st region in Europe regarding the number of startups of The Technology Fast 500 EMEA
- 1/3 of the start-ups exhibiting at the 2018 Las Vegas CES were French

620 Innovation Centers:

- ✓216 Incubators & Accelerators
- √171 coworking Spaces
- √87 fablabs & makerspaces
- ✓ 46 Business
 Centers



The world's leading Internet of things (IoT) connectivity service



Independent company offering web, dedicated, and cloud hosting solutions



Jumia facilitates access to products and services in Africa













The #Leader strategy

French Regions Leaders for economic development on their territory

→ December 2016: adoption of the **#LEADER** global strategy for innovation, growth and employment 2017-2021

→4 main orientations:

Investing in the attractiveness

Boosting the competitiveness of PR companies

Developing an entrepreneurial and innovation spirit

Working collectively







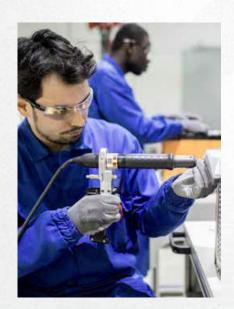


€ 130m budget for economic development, half of it directly going to businesses

Each year, the Region supports around:

3 000 SMEs including 1 000 start-ups

10 000 creators





Financial support to startups

TP'up, PM'up, Innov'up, PRVF

TP'up

Grants of up to € 55 000 for small businesses (less than 10 employees) to develop and modernize their production tools

PM'up

Grants of up to € 250 000 for SMEs (10 to 250 employees) to modernize their production tools and develop internationally

Innov'up

Grants and repayable advances of up to € 1 million to support innovative companies in the transition from the idea to market



Investment fund with € 50 million capital to invest in early-stage deeptech companies

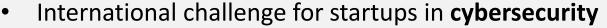
Our EER year: new initiatives launched in 2018

International Challenges



- First international challenge for startups on artificial intelligence
- A **€1m Prize** (fields covered: energy, health, mobility, smart city, industry, finance)
- 4 winners: Therapanacea (€700 000), LightOn (€350 000), PandaGuide (€150 000), Smartify (€150 000)

https://www.aichallenge.parisregion.eu/



- Address the needs expressed by major economic actors (Atos, SNCF, Stade de France)
- 3 topics: <u>major events, transportation, sport</u>
- Deadline 25th February 2019

https://paris-region-cybersecurity-challenge-2018.matchmaking-studio.com/public/home.html#mms



Entrepreneur #Leader

New entrepreneurship program aiming to offer a unique "path" for all business creators in Paris Region through 3 distinct phases:

- 1) "Build my project": support to
 - finalize your economic study, formalize your business plan,
 - choose your legal, fiscal and social status
 - test your activity and start as an entrepreneur in an incubator
 - formalize and present your project to potential partners/financers

How? Up to 12 hours of support by experts

2) "Finance my project":

- be informed about the funding offer, eligibility of your project
- structure your project through an analysis of your business plan (financial, human, marketing, accounting, legal, etc.)
- mobilize funding (microcredit, bank guarantee or honorary loan, etc)

How? Up to €50000 (€120000 for technological innovation projects)

Entrepreneur #Leader (2)

- 3) "Develop my business" (during the first 3 years)
- build an efficient management for your company
- implement its commercial action
- develop your network and business opportunities
- make relevant recruitments
- secure the development of your activity
- Develop your entrepreneurial skills

How? regular meetings and a personalized assessment at the end of the journey, workshops to share experience with peers, privileged access to partners' networks and solutions

<u>www.iledefrance.fr/entrepreneur-leader-parcours-unique-de-creation-d-entreprise</u>



Acceleration programs I NEW in 2018



Startups Accelerator offering a 3-year service package to help startups achieve their €1M in annual turnover within 3 years without taking equity http://www.wilco-startup.com/en/

PEPITE STARTER IDF



Acceleration program for startups created by students entrepreneurs in Station F and offering intensive training and support over 5 months https://www.pepite-france.fr/pepite-starter-idf

L'ACCELERATEUR ESS

A 24-month strategic and tailor-made support programme designed to help SE companies to scale-up, increase their economic, social and environmental impact and create jobs

https://www.laccelerateuridf.co/



Small Business Act



A regional Small Business Act (March 2017) to facilitate SMEs' access to public markets relying on:

- a better information to SMEs
- simplified procedures
- the grant of advances of up to 50% of the global contract in order to reduce cash issues
- the shortening of payment delays
- a fight against illegal work
- a commitment to reserve 2% of the regional procurement for innovative solutions

Tuesdays of the Smart Region

Monthly meetings between startups and public buyers (local governments, universities, hospitals, etc.) to sensibilize buyers to new solutions and encourage innovative procurement.



Past « Tuesdays of the **Smart Region »**:

- ✓ April 2018: Education
- ✓ July 2018: Tourism
- ✓ September 2018: Civic tech
- ✓ October 2018: Security
- ✓ November 2018: Mobilities
- ✓ December 2018: Housing

The EER label for us:

- The recognition of what we are trying to implement/achieve to boost regional entrepreneurs and economy,
- A real booster to develop and implement economic development schemes,
- One year of increased visibility for our actions in this field and for the Region more generally,
- The network effect: access to contacts in other European regions,
- Reporting to EER team = an extra booster to monitor implementation and impact!

Tips for future applicants?

- demonstrate the label added value: show how it'll help you boost your actions...
- and how you'll manage to promote the Label!
- show the existence of a strong political commitment,
- show how your actions will echo EU political priorities and impact locally



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