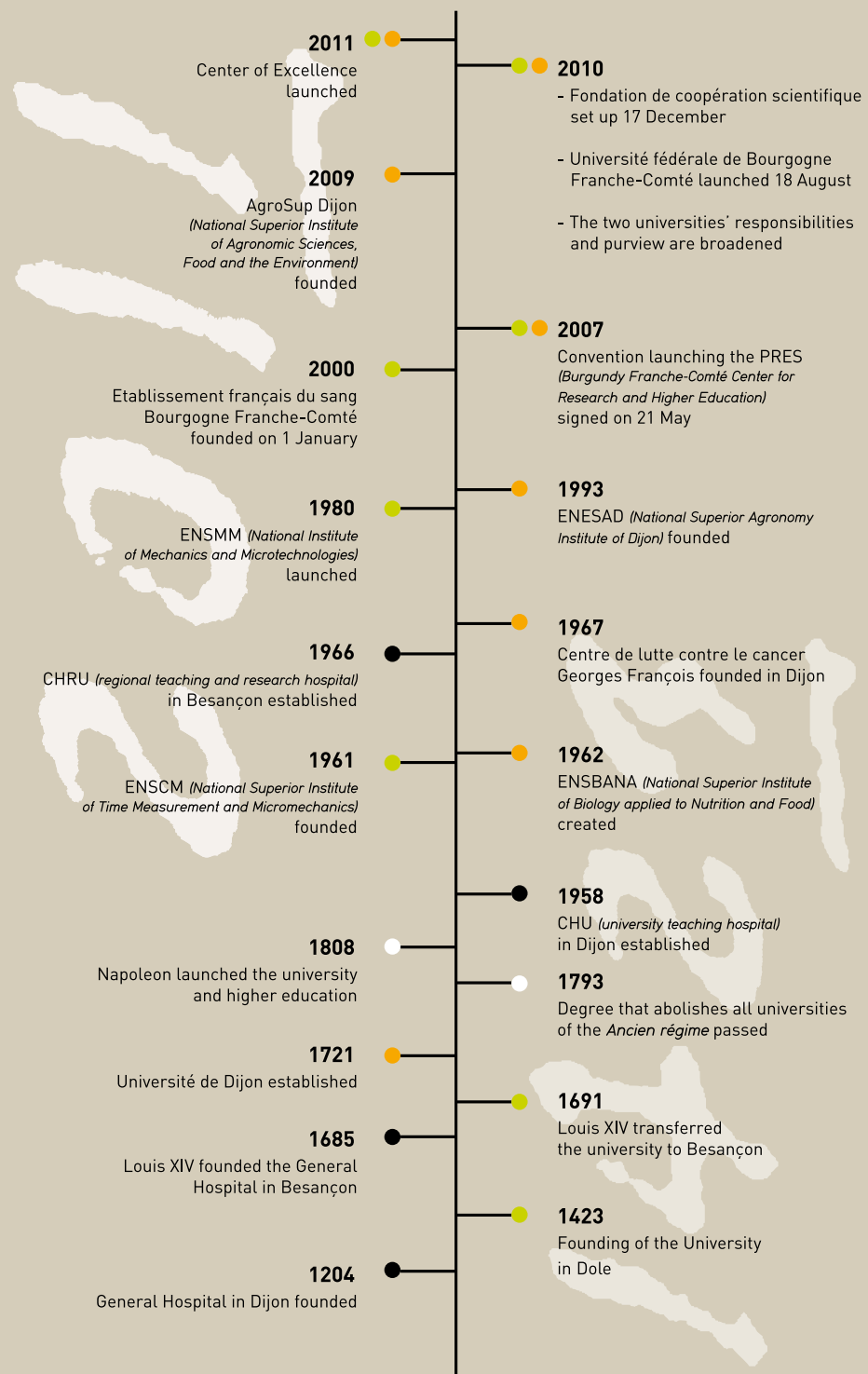


# A shared past, present and future

The Université de Bourgogne and Université de Franche-Comté share a common past, present and future. They have a tradition of joint education programmes and research partnerships. This shared energy has drawn them together once again to found the Pôle de recherche et d'enseignement supérieur Bourgogne Franche-Comté in 2007.

Other partners in research and innovation have joined them since.



## United strengths

### FOUNDING MEMBERS

#### Universities and schools:

■ Université de Bourgogne ■ Université de Franche-Comté ■ AgroSup Dijon ■ ENSMM Besançon

#### Medical research and health institutions:

■ CHU Dijon ■ CHRU Besançon ■ Centre de lutte contre le Cancer Georges-François Leclerc  
■ Etablissement Français du Sang

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND PARTNERS

#### Higher education institutions:

■ Arts et métiers ParisTech Cluny ■ Groupe ESC Dijon Bourgogne

#### Technological universities:

■ Université technologique de Belfort-Montbéliard ■ Université technologique de Troyes

#### Research institutions:

■ CNRS ■ Inserm (associate members)  
■ INRA ■ CEA

#### Local and regional authorities:

■ Conseil régional de Bourgogne ■ Conseil régional de Franche-Comté ■ Grand Dijon ■ City of Besançon

### ECONOMIC PARTNERS:

#### Businesses (associate members):

■ Dijon Céréales ■ Seb ■ Eurogerm ■ Onco design ■ Sanofi

#### Other partners:

■ Areva ■ Alstom ■ PSA Peugeot Citroën ■ Solvay ■ General Electric ■ Air Liquide ■ Caisse des dépôts  
■ Caisse d'Épargne Bourgogne Franche-Comté ■ Crédit Agricole Champagne-Bourgogne ■ EDF ■ Bioscan

#### Competitiveness clusters:

■ Vitagora® ■ Pôle nucléaire de Bourgogne ■ Plastipolis ■ Pôle des Microtechniques ■ Pôle Véhicule du Futur



### FONDATION DE COOPÉRATION SCIENTIFIQUE:

If your organization would like to join partners who have already committed to building the foundation, please contact us.



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## ■ PRES BOURGOGNE FRANCHE-COMTÉ: CATALYZING THE FUTURE

The PRES Bourgogne Franche-Comté (PRES BFC – *Burgundy Franche-Comté Center for Research and Higher Education*) is a major French university center and a leading player in the region's development thanks to a network of international partnerships.

The Fondation de coopération scientifique (FCS – *Foundation for Scientific Cooperation*) oversees this modern-day higher education and research center. The foundation is open to all players, whether they are universities, engineering schools, university hospitals and health care centers, national research organizations, businesses, competitiveness clusters or local and regional authorities.

As a result, a full range of actors are involved in the economic and social development of the region, including and specifically the business sector. Public and private partners and those involved in research and higher education spearhead forward-looking projects and cooperate effectively to:

- Become a **reference** in France and in Europe
- Strengthen complementary synergies to achieve the **excellence** with which to tackle new challenges in research and innovation
- Put in place a new **form of governance** to support and develop promising joint projects



## ■ UNIVERSITÉ FÉDÉRALE BOURGOGNE FRANCHE-COMTÉ

### A rich talent pool

The Université fédérale Bourgogne Franche-Comté (UFBFC – *Burgundy Franche-Comté Federal University*) is the first step in building a federal university. This new institution would merge the Université de Bourgogne and the Université de Franche-Comté, as well as AgroSup Dijon and the Ecole nationale supérieure de mécanique et des microtechniques (ENSM) in Besançon.

The UFBFC offers a full array of academic and professional curricula that involve scientific and technological excellence clusters that have strong ties with the business community.

Through its doctoral college, the UFBFC sets PhD educational policies to prepare young researchers to respond to the needs of public and private research.

- 54,000 students
- 7,000 Master's students
- 6,000 engineering students
- 2,200 doctoral candidates
- 3,500 instructors/research professors
- 69 research teams
- 800 courses

It takes the necessary measures to offer attractive campuses and a pleasant lifestyle to all in the university community. Also, it is in the process becoming a digital university. Its concern for and involvement in sustainable development are an integral part of its education and research programmes. The Université fédérale BFC aims to be a 21<sup>st</sup> century university and the pivot of international partnerships.

## ■ FONDATION DE COOPÉRATION SCIENTIFIQUE (FCS)

The Fondation de coopération scientifique oversees the center for research and higher education (PRES).

Economic actors play a key role in the FCS, spurring modernization not only within their companies and industries, but also in their region and country.

Close ties among partners in research, training and innovation are reinforced through participation in this pioneering structure.

### 3 GOALS

- 1 - **Collaboration:** Leaders in training, research and business work together to spur innovation and social and economic development
- 2 - **Promotion:** Strengthen the center's attractiveness on the European and international scene thanks to top-flight projects and cutting-edge laboratories
- 3 - **Implementation:** Promote an effective governance to support and develop joint projects

30 long-term partners,  
involved in the region's  
economic development,  
have already joined us.

### 7 ASSETS

- 1 - **One vision:** To gather actors around a world-class project and a shared future
- 2 - **Strong scientific potential:** To draw together actors and the means to advance knowledge and innovation
- 3 - **An open, reactive and representative governance:** To gather academic institutions, businesses, research and health care institutions
- 4 - **Financial independence:** Through funding from partners, industry, the State and local and regional authorities
- 5 - **Two rationales:** Inclusiveness and excellence
- 6 - **Purposes:** To ensure clarity of courses and degree programmes, promote outstanding laboratories, boost cooperation among schools/universities, engage in building the region and raising its international appeal
- 7 - **Real-world relevance:** Strengthen public/private partnerships, simplify technology transfers and steer policy to increase the employability of graduates and PhDs

### Coordinating calls for projects

The PRES BFC competes in national, European and international calls for projects to strengthen its excellence clusters:

- Smart systems ■ Materials and energies for the future ■ Environment and territories
- Agroecology-sensoriality-nutrition-health ■ Biotechnology-health

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION :

#### FONDATION DE COOPÉRATION SCIENTIFIQUE

The FCS is a non-profit public interest legal entity set up under French law. The founders' first endowment, public funding, and gifts and bequests of patrons ensure its financial independence.

Investing in a foundation can offer tax advantages for individuals and companies subject to French taxes: income, wealth and corporate tax reduction, exemption from transfer duties on gifts and bequests and allowances on estate taxes.



*Driving a vast  
territory*

#### ■ ID card

A tool for interregional cooperation, the PRES Bourgogne Franche-Comté supports the economic and social development of the entire region.

It has become a strong university center between Lyon, Paris and Switzerland. More than ever, it can compete for European-wide projects because it is a key player in a strong and competitive Europe.

#### ■ Synergy

Rallying universities and schools, in partnership with research institutions and businesses, around outstanding, pluridisciplinary and world-renowned scientific strengths.

#### ■ Key features

- Scientific excellence in both research and education
- Strength of partnerships with the economic sector
- Ability to reach a critical size
- A reactive governance

