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Le pôle des produits aquatiques

# Who are we?

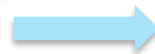
- Network of private and public organisations addressing the common challenge:  
« **improve the valorisation of aquatic products** ».
- Association established in 1999, certified **Competitiveness Cluster** by the national government 2005.



Unique French cluster focused on seafood



National cluster situated at the heart of the European biggest seafood transformation centre : Boulogne sur Mer

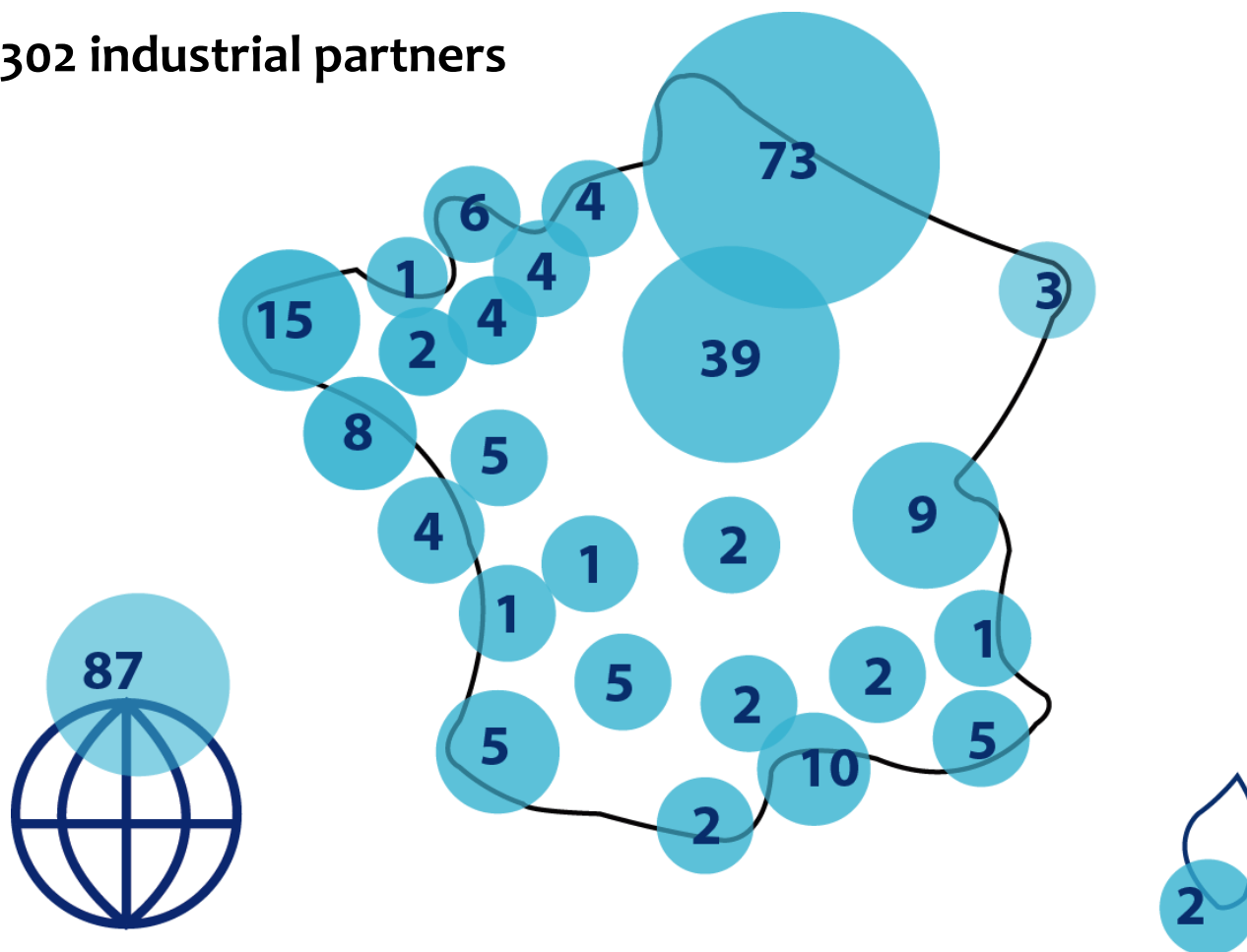


**150** members

- The aim of AQUIMER is to reconcile the depletion of seafood resources and the increase in food demand with the imperatives of sustainable development.
  
- By boosting innovation all over the value chain, AQUIMER focuses on 3 topics:
  1. Maximizing the available resources and creating new resources based on sustainable development
  2. Positioning fishery products in future foodstuff
  3. Changing the fundamentals of the aquatic food industry to promote the emergence of new technological and business approaches

- Over 10 years experience in supporting the research and innovation projects
- Internal **expertise** relying on the consistent **network of companies**

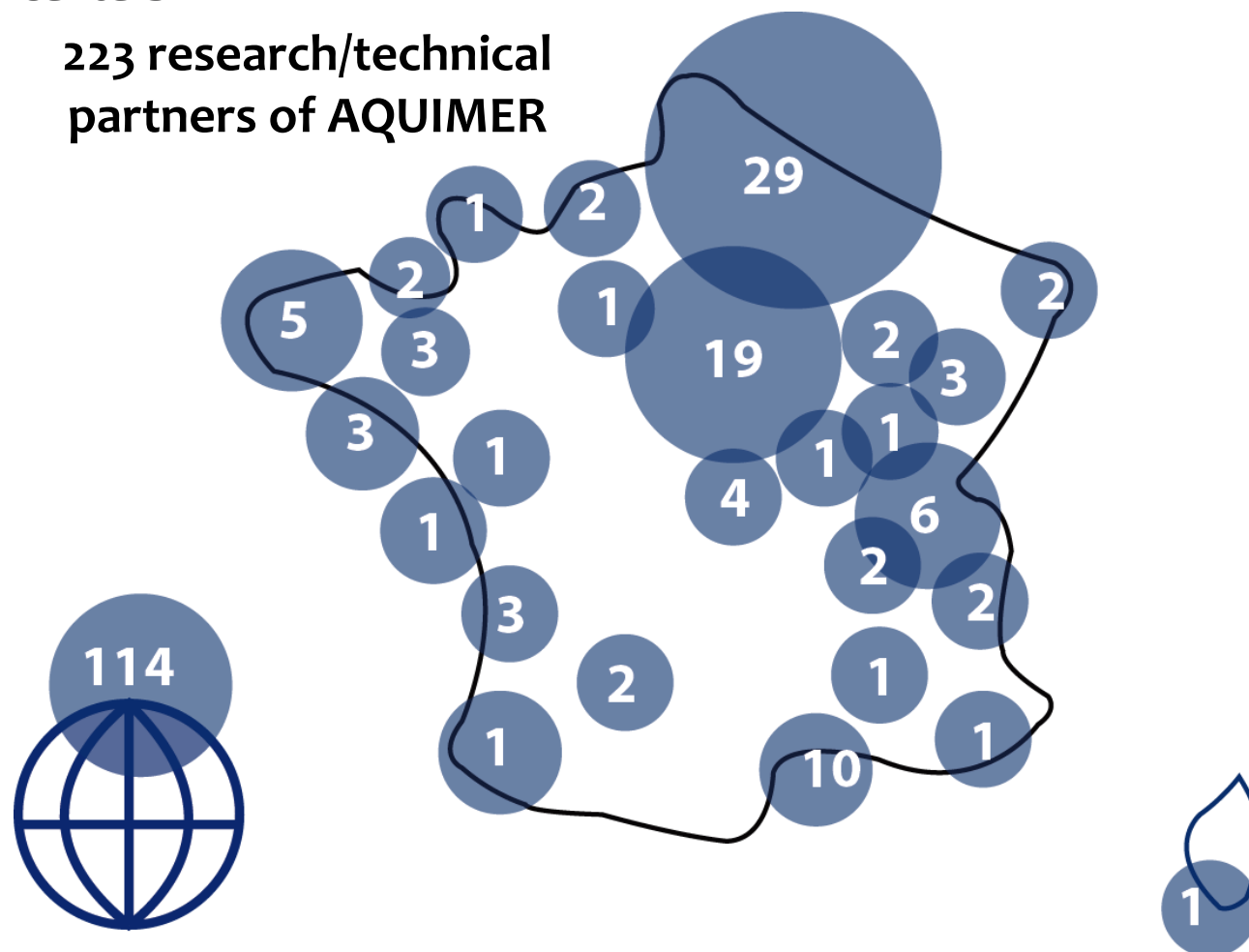
302 industrial partners



# The strength of a network

- Internal expertise relying on the consistent network of technology and innovation centers

**223 research/technical partners of AQUIMER**



- **Identify** the companies' needs in the seafood sector
- **Support the companies and their projects**



- **Find and gather necessary skills** throughout networks and working groups on the national and international level
- **Support and develop new offer for initial and vocational training** relevant to the needs of the companies
- **Build international partnerships**

- **Project support** from the idea/need to the financing and implementation
- **Intelligence center** : stay informed on technology, regulations and markets
- **Co design sessions** for finding new solutions with an open innovation approach
- **Industrial performance** diagnosis for an optimised competitiveness
- **Find right skills** for a particular mission

- **117 projects** have been supported, assessed and certified by AQUIMER for a total budget of **252,4 million euros**

- **Among these projects:**

- **23 european funds**

- **18 FUI**

- **16 Hauts-de-France region**





## Some examples of european projects

**DISCARDLESS** : Strategies for the gradual elimination of discards in EU fisheries

**ALPO** : Bioplastics from algae

**SEAFOODTOMORROW** : Nutritious, safe and sustainable seafood for consumers of tomorrow

**SMART AQUAPONICS** : Development of intelligent management tools for aquaponic systems suitable for professionals, urban communities and training

**SUMARIS** : Sustainable management of rays and skates

# To sum up... AQUIMER is

- An attentive team,
- A guaranty of **confidentiality** for each project,
- A support in building and financing projects.



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