



Structure

- A public institution with an industrial and commercial character (EPIC)
- Under the supervision of the Ministries of Research and Industry
- Staff of around 860
- 2001 consolidated income: 76.8m €

Initiative

defined in a context of

- sustainable development,
- globalisation,
- social demand: scientific ethics, safety, prevention and precaution,
- new information and communication technologies.

3 missions

- Technological research & development and innovation
- Support of public policies and citizen information
- International cooperation and development aid

Action contributes to European construction

- Support of European Union policies in partnership with other geological surveys (EuroGeoSurveys)
- Research: active participation in the 5th FRDP and preparation for the 6th FRDP
- International: contribution to the outside action of the European Union (enlargement, regional development, etc.)

The major programme themes

6 thematic areas

- Mineral resources
- Groundwater
- Natural hazards
- Environment pollution
- Environmental metrology
- Mapping and digital information systems

2 emerging action lines

- Geothermal energy
- New geology/biology frontiers

An integrated approach to complex problems thanks to partnerships with

- universities
- research institutions
- public agencies
- local and regional authorities
- enterprises

under specific agreements and through research and technological innovation networks

A network of partners

● National

- Major Public Research Institutions: CNRS, CEA, INRA, CSTB, CEMAGREF, INERIS, IPGP, CNES, etc.
- Agencies: ADEME, ANDRA, Water agencies, etc.
- Enterprises

● Regional

IFEN, Water Agencies, Universities, CNRS, INRA, IRD

● European

EuroGeoSurveys, Euromines, partnerships in 5th FRDP projects

● International

IUGS, NATO (Science for Peace), CGMW, CIFEG