

ACENET

Information on " Rhone-Alpes Industrial Vehicles" ("France")

About "name of cluster or region"

"Rhone-Alpes Industrial Vehicles" is a cluster oriented through the network of the suppliers and subcontractors which serve this market.

We have 400 Companies and they represent a turn over of 500 Millions €. The purchases made locally represent 20 % of the total amount of Renault V.I.

The recent acquisition of Renault V.I. by Volvo AB Group leads to a new scheme of the European suppliers of their market segment. The strategy of the group is to define on a 2005 term a new range of kinematics chain which includes engine, gear boxes, rear boxes In order to standardize the different ranges (heavy, medium, light).

These new aspects, will lead to a restructuration of the suppliers in order to get critical mass;

It is the main reason that lead our organisation to structure this new cluster.

Short description of main cities:

Lyon

Third city of France with 453 187 inhabitants

Lyon concentrates more than 28 % of the population of the department and about 8 % of the population of the Rhone-Alpes Region. The working population is around

600 000 persons

She includes most of the industrial activities of the Rhone around its 63 000 companies, among which 1 700 of more than 50 employees

Grenoble (153 298 inhabitants)

Annecy (50 348 inhabitants)

Chambéry (55 786 inhabitants)

Facts in figures

	The region of "Rhône-Alpes"	Country France
area:	43 698km ²	549 000 km ²
population	5 350 701	57 millions
unemployment rate:	? 10 %	? 11,5 %

Main companies

?? , Bosch, SMI KOYO, Renault V.I., Aventis Pasteur, Merck, Lipha, Mannesmann Rexroth, Valéo, Rhodia

Research Institutions

Research Institutions, located in the area of Lyon :

?? University Claude Bernard of Lyon, INSA de Lyon, Ecole Nationale Supérieure, Institut Français du Textile et de l'Habillement, Institut Français du Pétrole, Institut National de Recherche sur les Transports et leur Sécurité, Ecole Nationale des Travaux Publics de l'Etat, Ecole Centrale de Lyon

Education (universities and colleges)

?? University Claude Bernard, University Lumière, Centre d'Etudes Techniques et d'Equipements, CEMAGREF (Recherche pour l'Ingénierie de l'Agriculture et de l'Environnement), Centre National de Recherche Supérieure, CPE

Co-ordination

In the "Rhône-Alpes industrial vehicles" cluster is represented by one of its supporting organizations : chamber of Commerce and Industry of Lyon

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