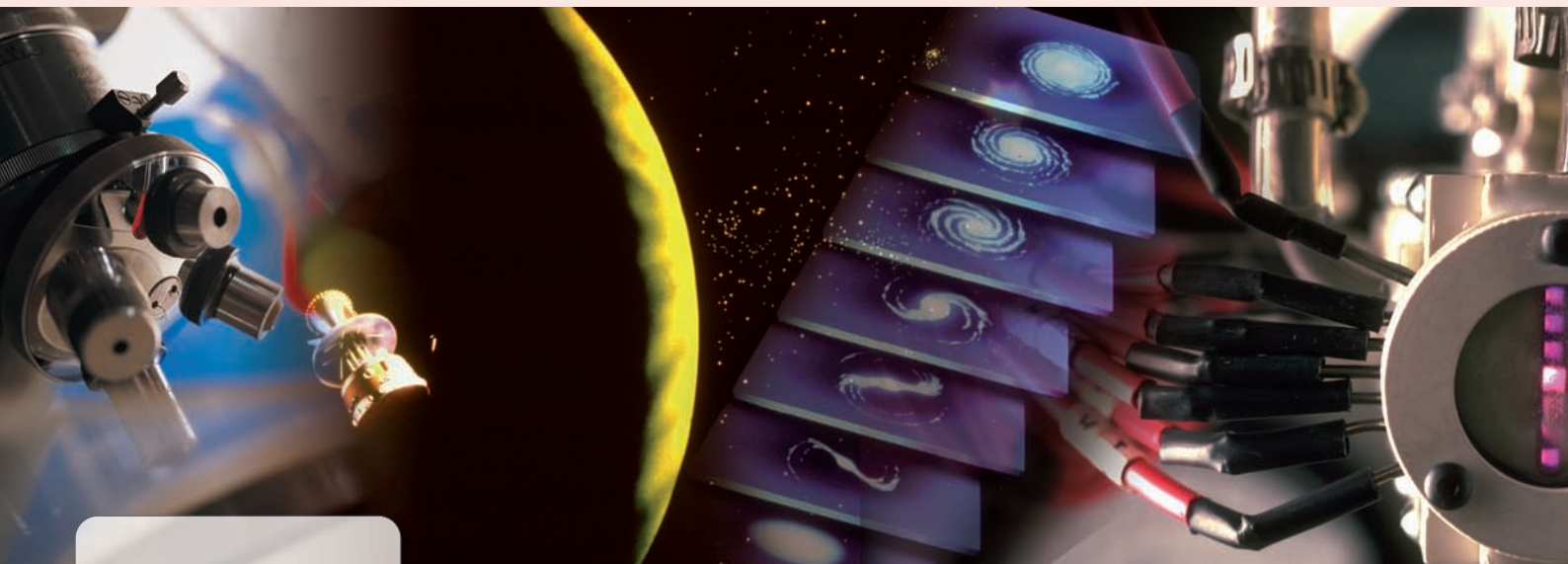




Digital telecommunications

The future, now



Key figures

1 The Loire county broadband and very high speed broadband

230 companies

3,400 jobs

50 M€ invested in the Loire for broadband internet

54 cities

114 zones of activity covered

20,000 benefit from very high speed broadband



Fields of excellence

- Specific development/software
- Internet service provider
- Server and application housing
- Project engineering and development
- Advice about computing systems
- Externalising computing/facilities management service
- Product design and service design
- Internet development and graphic design
- Software and video game publication

Activities

- Teleactivity and Telecentres
- Customer relationship
- Infrastructure and Operator networks
- Information and system security
- On-line assistance for Tourism and Leisure
- Training
- International development
- R&D
- Approval

BUSINESSES INVOLVED

• Key companies

Acticall
AGIIR Network
A-SIS
Cegid
CESTIA
ELAN Bureautique
Guillaume Informatique
Gutenberg on line
LMS Imagine S.A.
Lotim Télécom
NextiraOne
Neyrial Informatique
Teamlog
TV & Co, ...

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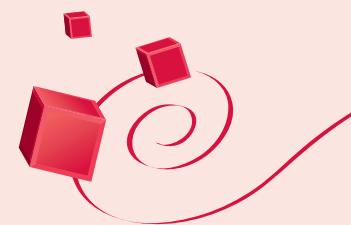
President of Loire Numérique

Loire Numérique is the association of companies of the Loire's digital network. It implements joint actions towards company development and innovation in the sector, bringing together over 100 companies. Its aims are to develop the structure of

information and communication technologies, to make them comprehensible, to promote innovation and to anticipate developments.

Loire Numérique influences the economic development of its

company network directly, develops new uses, guides the very high speed process initiated by the regional council and provides assistance for introducing innovative projects.



Training and research

Loire schools at the forefront of research and training

- **Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Saint-Etienne (ENSMSE)**
Industrial engineering and computing centre
Micro electric centre
- **Ecole Nationale d'Ingénieurs de Saint-Etienne (ENISE) (engineering school)**
Tribology and system dynamics laboratory (LTDS)
Diagnosis and imaging of industrial processes (DIPI)
- **University Jean Monnet (U.J.M.) : 5 laboratories**
Optoelectronics and microwave systems and instrumentation (DIOM)
Laboratoire Hubert Curien (formerly LTSI)
Signal analysis and industrial processes laboratory (LASPI)
- **Télécom Saint-Etienne**
- **University technology institute** (Saint-Etienne and Roanne)
- Several courses in technical education available (DUT, BTS, BAC Pro, ...)

Network

- **Loire Numérique** recognised as an SPL (local productive system) in 2006 by the DIACT is an association bringing together over 100 digital professionals, and is involved in providing structure for the entire information and technology sector in the Loire.
- **VIAMECA, SPORALTEC, IMAGINOVE : system@tic, MECALOIRE**
- **Cluster EDIT, CEEI, CIRIDD, Collectif Designer +, LOTIM Télécom**
- **Rhonealley, ARDI Numérique, Lyon Infocité, CDIF**

Business Center

- **Télépôle de Roanne** (technological innovations): the Télépôle roannais is home to call centres and is a reception point for new technology "start up businesses". Its business is based on all teleservices for companies and public administration bodies.

Useful links

- www.loirenumerique.com
- www.expansion42.com
- www.pole-ora.com
- www.arufog.org
- www.pole-medical.com



MAJOR ACTIONS

- Laboratory and company cooperation projects: production of a CIFRE thesis (industrial training agreements through research) focusing on very high speed broadband (Loire numérique, RIO committee (networks, infrastructures, operators) and le CREUSET). R&D committee with Loire laboratories
- National forum on very high speed broadband
- Interpôle 42 monitoring

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As a specialist in Information Technologies, Cornut Informatique has been in existence since 1988. It generated a turnover of 3.6 million Euros in 2007 and includes 42 engineers, technicians and project leaders. Cornut Informatique is developing three specialist areas: internet access provision, server

hosting and application hosting. The Loire provides us with a central location at the heart of the Rhône-Alpes, quality of life, a highly qualified workforce, low staff turnover, a Europe-wide telecommunications infrastructure and a structured network.

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