

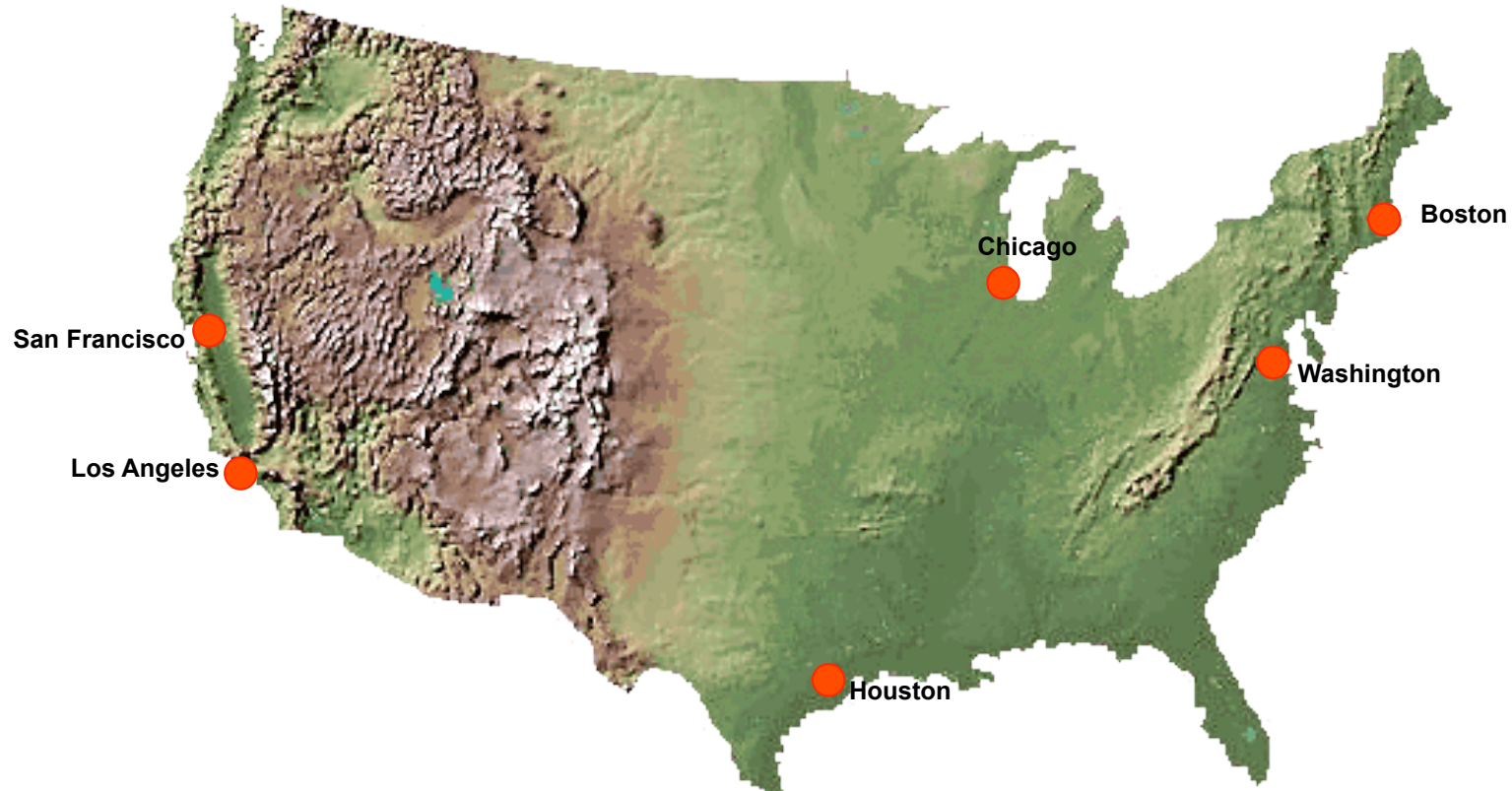
The French Office for Science & Technology

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OS&T Offices

Staff: 36



Role of the Office

- Three strategic missions:
 - A: To monitor advances in science and technology to stakeholders, decision makers and scientists.
 - B: To establish and/or strengthen partnerships in science and technology.
 - C: To promote exchanges of students, researchers and entrepreneurs.

A: To monitor advances in science and technology

- Diffusion of information
 - Electronic newsletter ADIT more than 11,000 subscribers (in French)
 - Electronic newsletter in English « Etech France »
 - Scientific Letters (IT, Physics, Health, Environment, ...)
 - Reports
 - ...

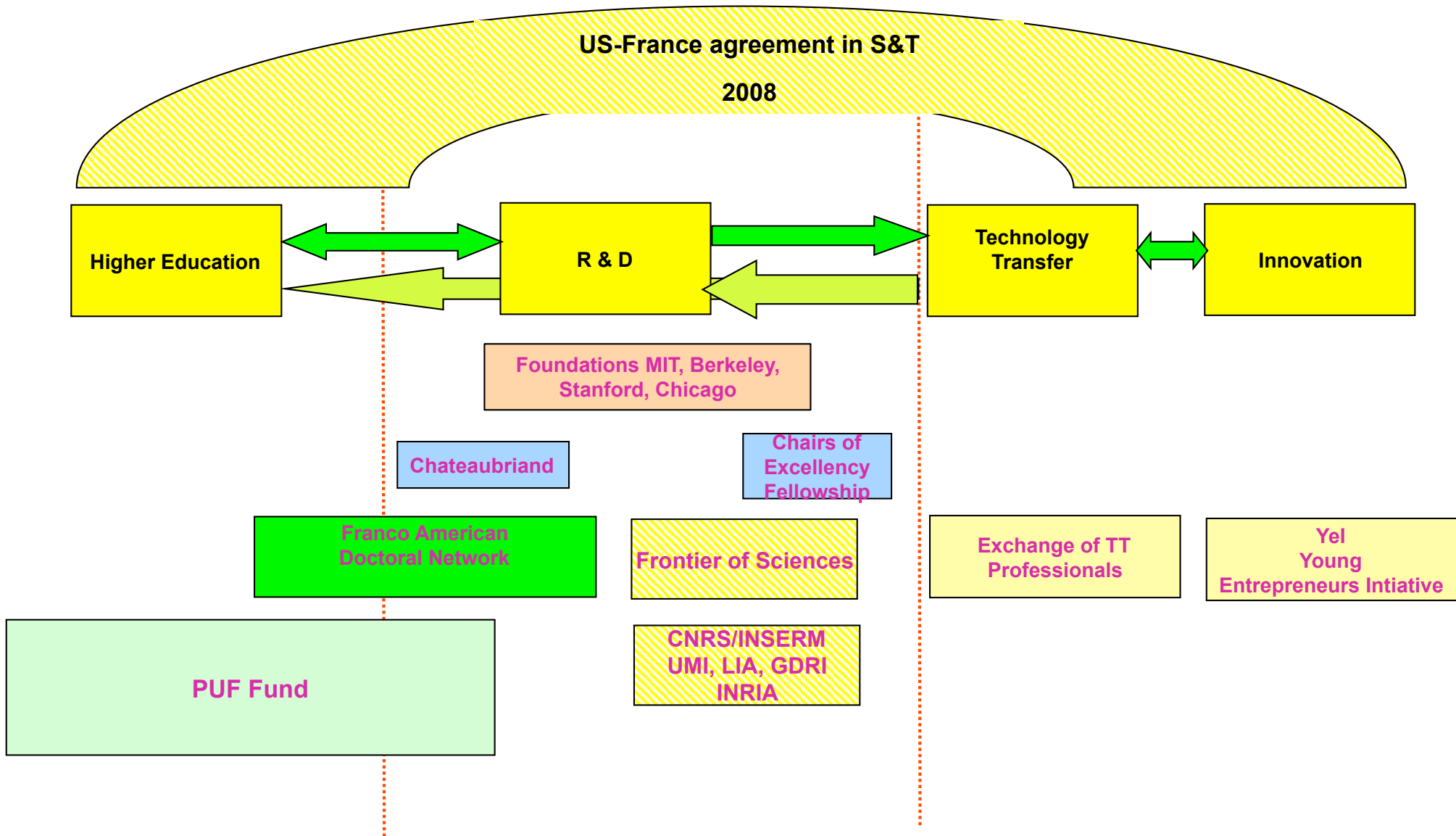
B: To establish and/or strengthen partnerships in science and technology

- Exploratory missions, bilateral workshops more 120 in 2008
 - On different scientific domains which:
 - ✓ Are domains of Excellency
 - ✓ Constitute niches to exploit in France and in the United States ,
- To reinforce the presence of the French research organizations (INRIA, INRA, IFREMER, ...) in USA and vice-versa

C: To promote exchanges of students, researchers and young entrepreneurs

- **One of the fundamental elements of the scientific co-operation .**
 - **They constitute the base on which :**
 - ✓ **High level research collaboration can be materialized and**
 - ✓ **durable bilateral partnerships of research can be set up.**

Coherency and continuity



French American Joint Committee

June 11th 12th

- The functions of the Joint Committee shall include:
 - 1. Identifying areas of common interest
 - 2. Overseeing and recommending activities under the Agreement;
 - 3. Advising the Parties on ways to enhance cooperation consistent with the principles set out in this Agreement

French American S&T Joint Committee June 11th 12th

- **Topics addressed:**
 - **Complex Systems**
 - **Energy and climate change**
 - **Large-scale infrastructures**
 - **Climate Change & Energy**
 - **Alzheimer and immunology, virology**
 - **nanosciences**

US 2010 Budget Request Big Winners

- Climate Research **NEW**
- Cyber-Enabled Discovery and Innovation **+ 45%**
- Science & Engineering Beyond Moore's Law **+ 197%**

Already existing joint labs

- **CNRS Joint International Unit**
 - UC Riverside : Biology
 - Georgiatech: microelectronics
 - NYU: Human and Social Sciences (memory)
 - Arizona State University: HSS Water
 - Philadelphia: Rodhia, Upenn
- **INSERM Joint Labs**
 - UC Irvine
 - Baylor Institute Dallas

QUESTIONS ?

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- Cooperative activities shall be conducted on the basis of the following principles:
 - (a) Mutual benefit, based on an overall balance of advantages;
 - (b) Reciprocal opportunities to engage in cooperative activities;
 - (c) Equitable and fair treatment for the participants; and
 - (d) Timely exchange of information that may affect cooperative activities.