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AFD AND the Three Oceans



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39
territories

covered, including 12 French
overseas departments
and territories

€8.5 BN

Total amount
for ongoing
projects

58
**regional
projects**

since 2018, with 48 involving
French Overseas Territories

To provide a holistic response to cross-border issues and promote regional integration between the French Overseas Territories and their neighboring countries, AFD deploys an approach designed to cover three ocean basins: the Atlantic Ocean, the Indian Ocean, and the Pacific Ocean.

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The Three Oceans: a shared strategy

France is the only European Union Member State with territories in all three of the Atlantic, Indian and Pacific oceans. In 2019, AFD adopted a Three Oceans strategy to reflect the country's unique presence.

Three objectives

1

Support the economic and social development of the French Overseas Territories in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

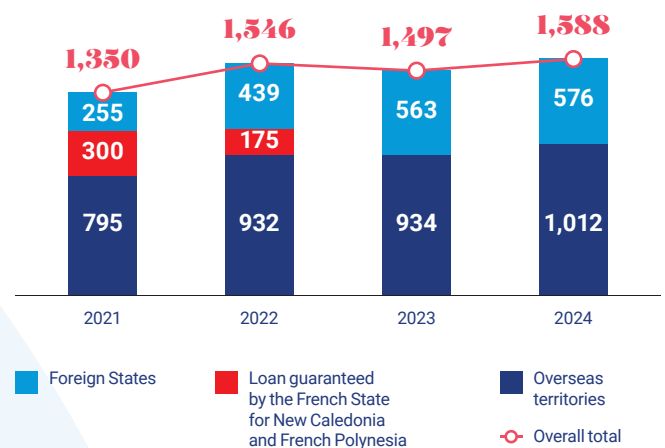
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Take into account the common challenges facing island territories, with a focus on tackling vulnerabilities and climate change, and strengthening social cohesion.

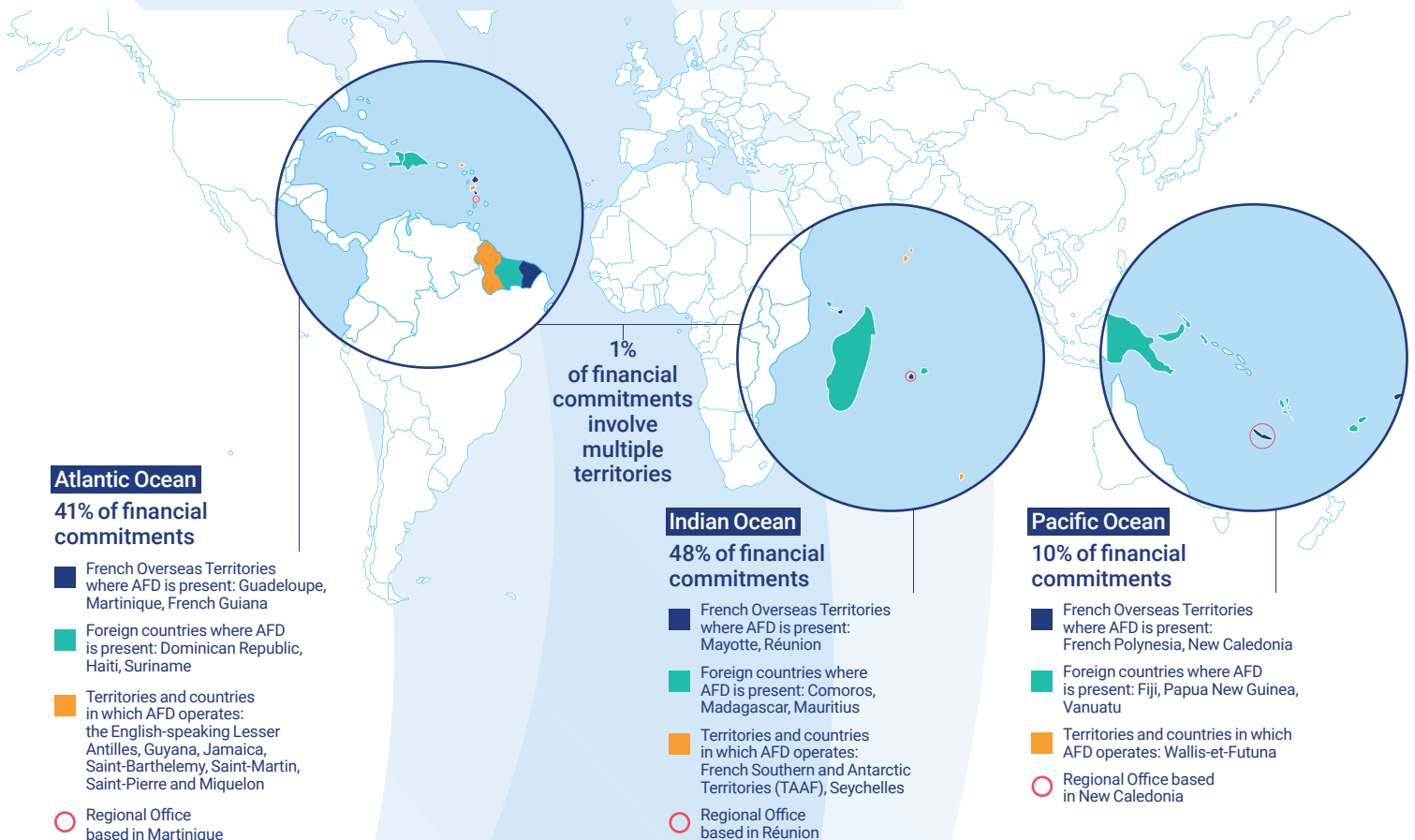
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Fully integrate the French Overseas Territories into their respective basins by promoting regional cooperation between them and their neighboring countries.

Three Oceans activity 2021-2024 (in € M)



A unique presence in three ocean basins



Flagship projects in the three ocean basins

Regional cooperation



Three Oceans Program

- Launched in 2019 (phase 3 signed in 2024)
- Grant: €22 million (for the three phases)
- Geographical area: Caribbean, Indian and Pacific Oceans
- Partners:
 - International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
 - Red Cross/Red Crescent Climate Centre
 - Global First Aid Reference Centre

The Three Oceans Program aims to address the increasing vulnerability of island States, largely caused by the consequences of climate change, by helping to mitigate the impact of natural disasters, health crises, and the effects of climate change on certain populations in the Atlantic, Indian and the Pacific oceans.

Implemented by the French Red Cross, this program is strengthening national and regional coordination mechanisms, as well as the preparedness and response capabilities of institutional partners and the most affected communities.

Indian Ocean region

Financing the SegA-One Health network

- Launched in 2019
- Grant: €30 million
- Geographical area: Indian Ocean and Indo-Pacific region

Since 2009, AFD has been supporting the SEGAs - One Health (SEGAs-OH) epidemiological surveillance and alert management network. The main mission of SEGAs-OH is to support epidemic prevention, preparedness and response in Indian Commission member States and territories. This financing enables this network to play a key role in the surveillance and management of health crises.

In 2024, a €6.5 million financing agreement enabled it to expand its scope of action to the entire Indo-Pacific region. This financial support will contribute to health security in this strategic area, based on technical collaboration between three networks: SEGAs-OH, the Pacific Public Health Surveillance Network (PPHSN), and the ECOMORE program in Southeast Asia.

Atlantic Ocean region

CARIBSAN 1

- Launched in 2021
- Grant: €350,000
- Geographical area: Cuba, Dominica and Saint Lucia

To address the environmental and health emergency caused by the impact of wastewater in the Caribbean, the Caribbean cooperation project CARIBSAN 1 aims to deploy an innovative and ecological technology for wastewater treatment geared to tropical conditions, by using local plant species.

Pacific region

Kiwa Initiative

- Launched in 2020
- Grant: €78 million (of which €44 million from AFD)
- Geographical area: 18 Pacific island States and territories, including 3 French Overseas Territories (French Polynesia, New Caledonia, Wallis and Futuna)

Led by AFD, the Kiwa Initiative is a multi-donor fund which aims to strengthen the climate change resilience of ecosystems, communities and economies in the Pacific islands by protecting and restoring biodiversity. It finances Nature-based Solutions (including agroforestry, watershed health, and community-based fisheries management), while promoting regional cooperation.

Agence Française de Développement (AFD) helps advance France's policy on sustainable investment and international solidarity. Through its financing operations, research and publications (Éditions AFD), sustainable development training programs (AFD Group Campus) and awareness-raising activities in France, AFD finances, supports and drives the transition to a fairer, more resilient world.

Alongside our partners, we provide sustainable solutions for – and with – communities. Our teams are working on over 2,700 projects in the field, in over 115 countries, including France's overseas departments and territories, to support projects for the climate, biodiversity, peace, gender equality and global health. Together with Proparco and Expertise France, AFD supports the commitment of France and the French people to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Working by your side, toward a world in common.



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