



SME Internationalisation Exchange (SIE) Project Regional Action Plan Summary

Partner Region:	Nouvelle-Aquitaine, France
SIE Project Partner:	CCI International Nouvelle-Aquitaine/CCI Nouvelle-Aquitaine
Challenge Faced:	 Communication targeted at companies - they don't always know who is doing what and where to go for internationalisation support Lack of financial resources within companies Costs for exporting too high: transport, prospecting, manpower Cumbersome administrative processes with international trade Lack of human resources in the company to focus on internationalisation Knowledge of and adaption to international norms and regulations
Policy Addressed:	 SRDEII (Schéma Régional de Développement Economique, d'Innovation et d'Internationalisation / Regional Scheme for Economic Development, Innovation and Internationalisation)
Actions Proposed:	 Create an umbrella brand; "Team France Export" and its local version "Team France Export Nouvelle-Aquitaine" Implement a shared CRM system between the different business support organisations Provide access for companies to a platform of different internationalisation support solutions Classify companies into different segments (size, export turnover, turnover, sector, etc.) and match them to an international business advisor who will be in charge of a company portfolio.
Sources of Inspiration:	During Phase 1 of the SIE project, Nouvelle-Aquitaine was inspired by: - The Kent International Business programme.



