FRANCE – NEW ZEALAND

Scientific impact of the DUMONT D'URVILLE programme (2006-2015)

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GENERAL PRESENTATION OF THE PROGRAMME

Creation: 2005

The purpose of this programme is to develop excellence scientific and technological exchanges between the French and New Zealand laboratories, by promoting new scientific collaborations and integrating in the projects young researchers and PhD students.

Total budget (France + New Zealand, 2015): around 108 000 € / year

- >> including budget from the French part : 50 000 € / year
- >> including budget from the New Zealand part : 58 000 € / year

Average budget per project (France + New Zealand): 11 250 € / year

Number of new projects submitted per year: around 17

Number of new projects funded per year : around 5

From 2006-2015:



166 applications submitted54 projects funded

DATA SOURCES

Campus France

- Information about the PHC Dumont d'Urville applications
- List of mobilities (from France to New Zealand)

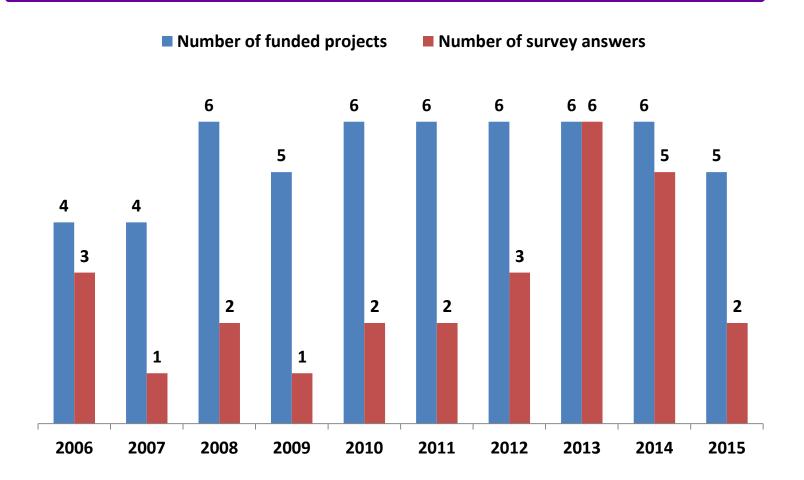
Survey

- Target: French Principal Investigators of selected projects between 2006 and 2015
- Survey duration: 4 weeks between October and November 2015
- 50% response ratio (27 respondents for 54 funded projects)



ANSWERS TO THE SURVEY

Average response rate to the survey: 50 % (27 answers)

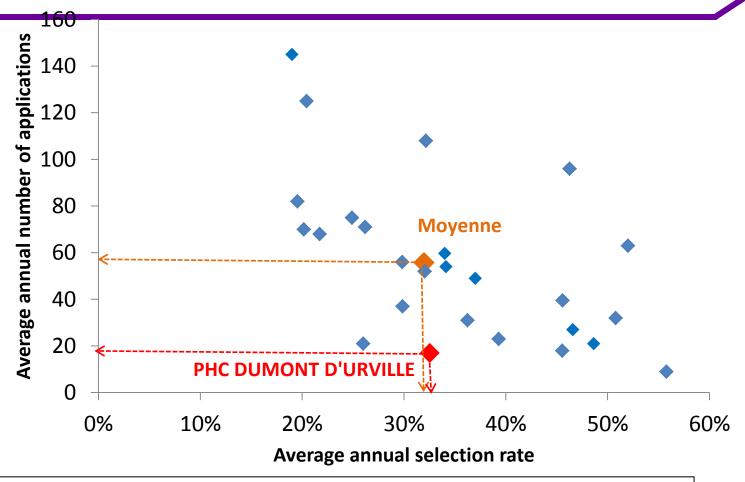




2006-2015 Key Points

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS VS SELECTION RATE

(COMPARISON BETWEEN 26 DIFFERENT BILATERAL PROGRAMMES)

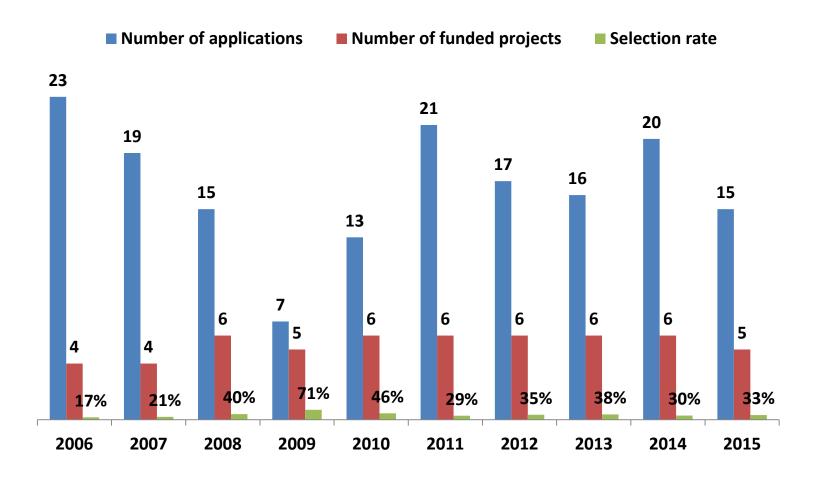


Average selection rate for 2006-2015 : 33% vs 32% mean Average number of applications 2006-2015 : 17 vs 56 mean



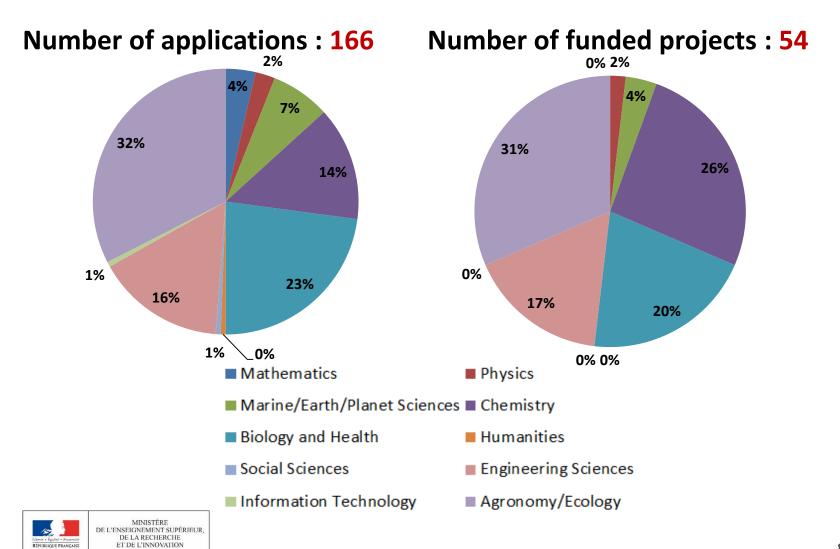
NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND SELECTION RATE

Average selection rate from 2006-2015: 33 %



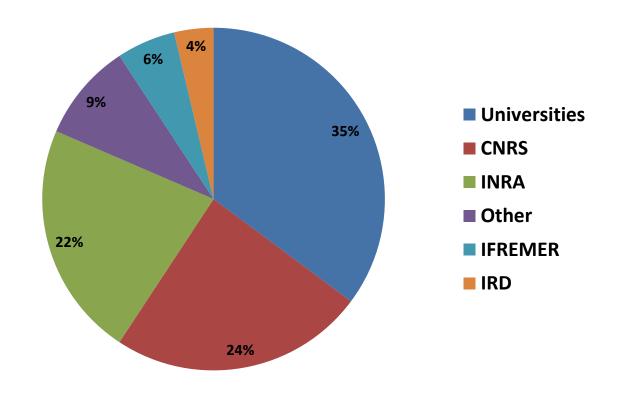


SCIENTIFIC DOMAINS OF PROJECTS



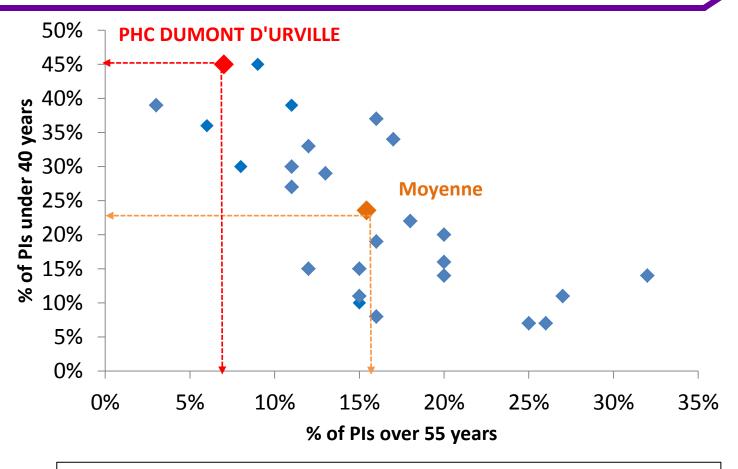
FRENCH PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS

Laboratories authorities of funded projects



AGE OF PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS (PI)

(COMPARISON BETWEEN 26 DIFFERENT BILATERAL PROGRAMMES)

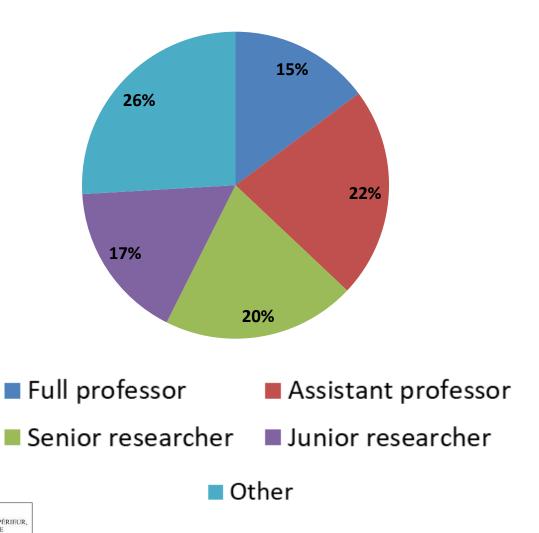


Pls under 40 years : 45% vs 24% mean Pls over 55 years : 7% vs 15% mean

48% of the PIs are between 40 and 55 years



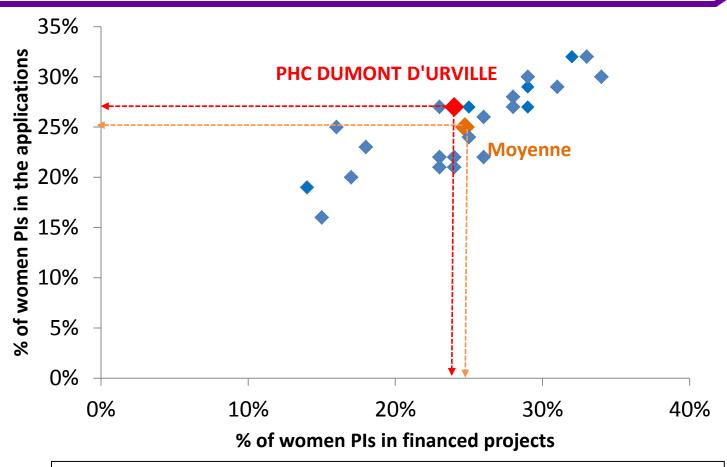
FRENCH PIS (PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS): STATUS





IMPLICATION OF WOMEN (FRANCE)

(COMPARISON BETWEEN 26 DIFFERENT BILATERAL PROGRAMMES)

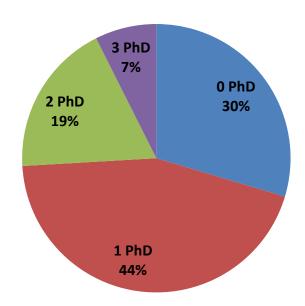


% of women PIs in the applications: 27% vs 25% mean % of women PIs in the selected projects: 24% vs 25% mean



PARTICIPATION OF FRENCH YOUNG RESEARCHERS

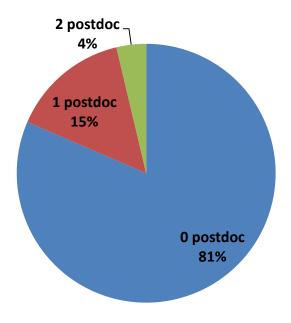
Number of PhD students



70% of projects involve at least one PhD student



Number of postdoctoral researchers



19% of projects involve at least one post-doctoral researcher

IMPLICATION OF PhDs

(COMPARISON BETWEEN 26 DIFFERENT BILATERAL PROGRAMMES)

% of projects implying PhDs and Post-doc: 70% vs 65% mean

Average rate of scientific production per PhD: Not known



MOBILITY

MOBILITY: GENDER DISTRIBUTION

France → New Zealand

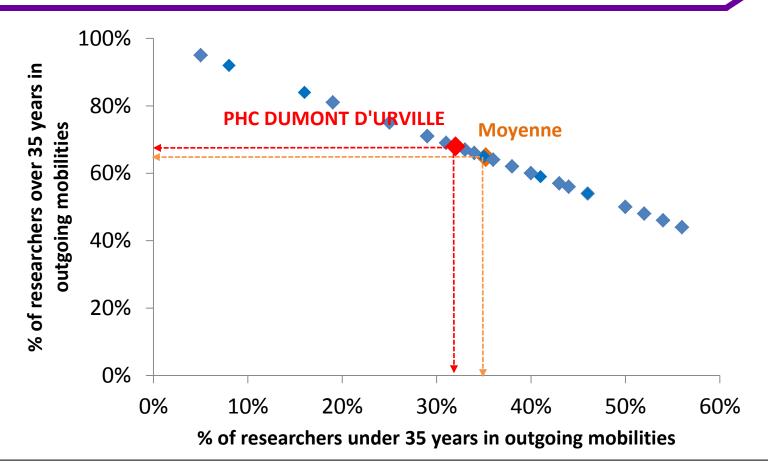
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■ Men
■ Women



MOBILITY FRANCE – NEW ZEALAND

(COMPARISON BETWEEN 26 DIFFERENT BILATERAL PROGRAMMES)

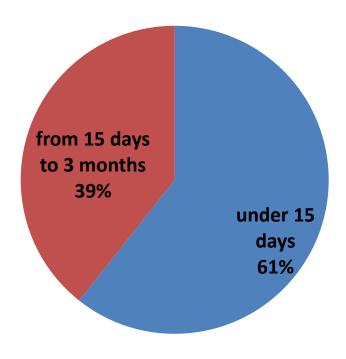


% of french young researchers in outgoing mobilities: 32% vs 35% mean



MOBILITY: DURATION

France → New Zealand



- < 15 days</p>
- between 15 days and 3 months

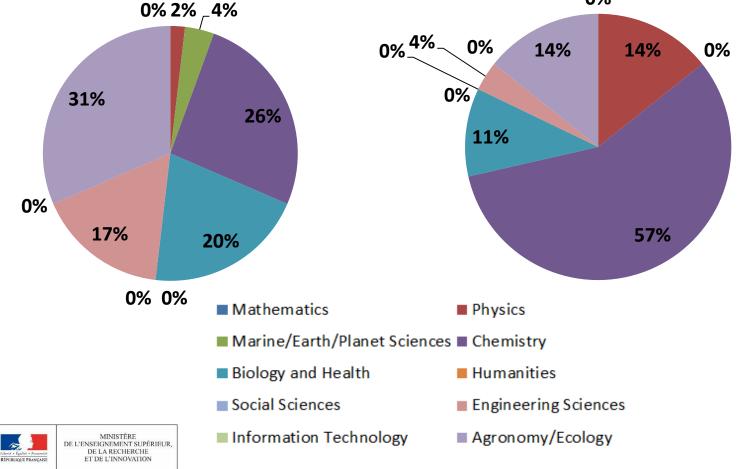


SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTION

SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT (1/2)

Number of funded projects

Percentage of copublications in the survey: 27 0%



SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT (2/2)

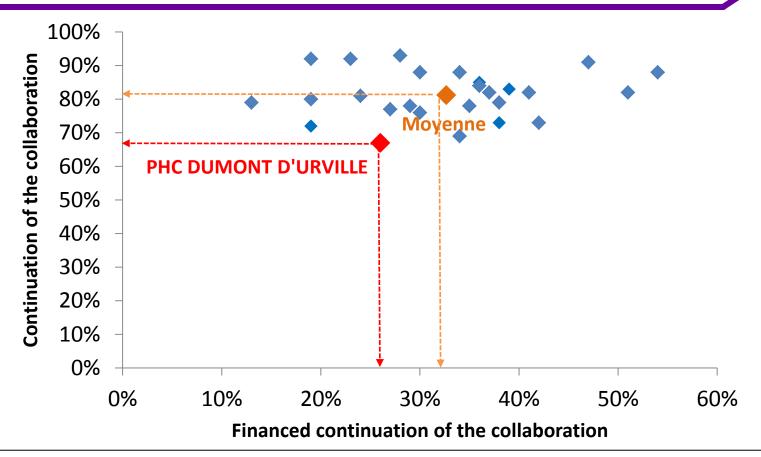
Data from 30 funded projects

	Number of financed projects in the survey	Average number of co-publications per project
Mathematics	0	0
Physics	4	4,0
Marine/Earth/Planet Sciences	2	0
Chemistry	16	1,1
Biology and Health	3	0,3
Humanities	0	0
Social Sciences	0	0
Engineering Sciences	1	0,1
Information Technology	0	0
Agronomy / Ecology	4	0,2
TOTAL	30	0,5



WHAT HAPPENS AFTER A DUMONT D'URVILLE PROJECT ?

CONTINUATION OF THE COLLABORATION (1/5) (COMPARISON BETWEEN 26 DIFFERENT BILATERAL PROGRAMMES)



Continuation of the collaboration: 67% vs 81% mean

Continuation of the collaboration with other sources of subvention: 26% vs 33% mean



CONTINUATION OF THE COLLABORATION (2/5)

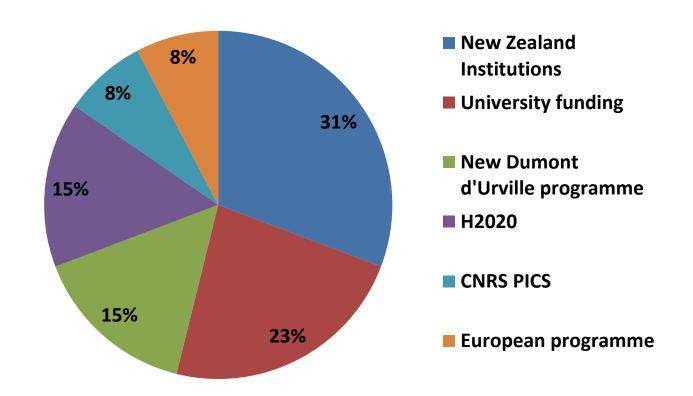
67% of the collaborations continued after the Dumont d'Urville project

Which activities?	
Collaborative research	37%
Co-publications	23%
Joint participation to conferences	17%
Researchers mobility	14%
Others	9%



CONTINUATION OF THE COLLABORATION (3/5)

What kind of funded collaborations after the Dumont d'Urville project?



CONTINUATION OF THE COLLABORATION (4/5)

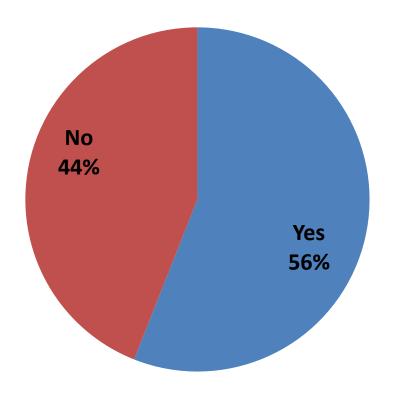
Has the Dumont d'Urville project led to the set-up of joint structures?

NOT KNOWN



CONTINUATION OF THE COLLABORATION (5/5)

Has the French-New Zealand collaboration involved new partners?



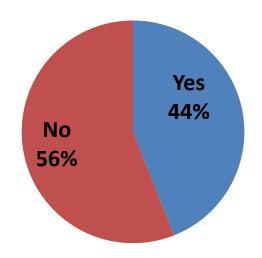


IMPACT ON YOUNG RESEARCHERS' CAREER (1/2)

Was young researchers career impacted by the Dumont d'Urville programme ?



NOT KNOWN





IMPACT ON YOUNG RESEARCHERS' CAREER (2/2)

Type of impacts

NOT KNOWN



GENERAL OPINION OF FRENCH PIS ON THE PROGRAMME





GENERAL OPINION OF FRENCH PIS ON THE PROGRAMME (2/3) POSITIVE COMMENTS

SURVEY OF RESPONSES NOT KNOWN

Strengths of this program	Number of occurencies (out of XXX)	% (out of XXX)
Allows the mobility of the researchers		
Allows an international scientific collaboration		
Simplicity of the application process		
Easy implementation (administrative flexibility)		
Allows the training of the young researchers		
Allows exchanges which allow a scientific production		
Financial means sufficient for the expenditure of mobility		
Good scientific appreciation compared to the financial investment		
Allows a knowledge of the country partner		
Is used as starting for raising other funds		
Duration of mobilities adapted to the needs		
Transparency of the methods for selecting the projects		
Sufficiently long duration of the projects		
Others		
Total number of occurencies		

GENERAL OPINION OF FRENCH PIS ON THE PROGRAMME (3/3) NEGATIVE COMMENTS

SURVEY OF RESPONSES NOT KNOWN

Weaknesses of this program	Number of occurencies (out of XXX)	% (out of XXX)
No funding of the operation and capital expenditures		
Too short duration of the projects		
Lack of transparency on the methods of projects selection		
Difficult perpetuation of collaboration		
Insufficient communication on the evaluation's results		
Too short duration of mobilities		
Too low number of mobilities		
Other		
Financial means insufficient for the expenditure of mobility (per diem)		
Financial means insufficient for the expenditure of mobility (transport)		
Heaviness of the process of applications		
Administrative heaviness of the missions management		
Too long duration of mobilities		
Total number of occurencies		

PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS

Preliminary conclusions suggest that the funding scheme has efficiently contributed to create (or to maintain) fruitful and long-term cooperation, despite the relatively low financial support, which is to be considered as "seed money".

PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Promote joint PhDs
- Encourage the mobility of young researchers (35% of all mobilities)

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