







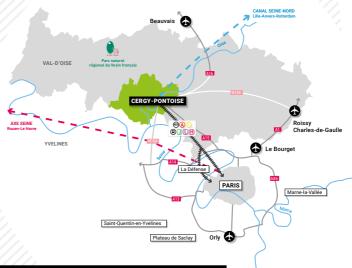








### **CERGY-PONTOISE**



#### The Great Urban Area of North-West Paris

Cergy-Pontoise, administrative capital of Val d'Oise, is a flourishing territory where 11,000 companies join a leading university campus, in a framework which harmoniously combines urban and natural spaces. At the gates of the French Vexin Regional Natural Park, Cergy-Pontoise enjoys an exceptional position just 35 minutes from Paris and Roissy-Charles-de Gaulle international airport. Served by RER A and RER C, connected to the Gare du Nord and Saint-Lazare Station, Cergy-Pontoise is directly connected to Paris by the A15 and to the regional road network by the Francilienne.





Cergy-Pontoise is a land of the future.

Since the birth of the new city 50 years ago,
our urban area has continued to expand its horizons.

Here, everyone can find their place, wherever
they come from, and thrive. Cergy-Pontoise, we sleep
here, we study here, we work here, we relax here,
and in short, we live here, together

**Dominique LEFEBVRE**President of Greater Cergy-Pontoise



# BOOMING

#### A territory that is reinventing itself...

The new city of Cergy-Pontoise was born in 1966, from the desire of the French government to counterbalance the "anarchic sprawl" of the capital. It is now a urban community with a population of 200,000

> pursuing an original and ambitious project, whose principles – housing on a human scale, social diversity, preservation of natural and agricultural spaces - resonate more than ever with the ideals of our time. Fifty years after its creation, Cergy-Pontoise continues to reinvent itself by creating "city on the city"

and completely rethinking its centrality.









- 1 The eco-village of Pièce d'Alçon in Menucourt
- The Axe majeur red bridge
- The old city of Pontoise





### ...while respecting its history

There's more than just a new city in Cergy-Pontoise. There is also a former royal city, Pontoise, proud of its cathedral, its ramparts and its 2000-year history. Villages, forests and fields remind us that Vexin is not far away. Here, the testimonies of the past live next to modern contemporary architecture and the incredible work of sculptor Dani Karavan: the Axe Majeur.













#### A major economic centre in the Paris Region

In Cergy-Pontoise, there are now nearly 11,000 companies, including large groups - 3M, Spie, Thales, Renault, ABB, Louis Vuitton, Clarins, etc. - but also many SMEs and start-ups which exchange, interact, innovate and create jobs. Recognised as a bastion of industrial intelligence, Cergy-Pontoise is home to one of the largest concentrations of SMEs in Europe with its 15 business parks. Together with its partners, the urban community offers numerous help and support mechanisms for local entrepreneurs and companies.











- 1 The Essec business school in Cergy
- 2 The Clarins labs in Pontoise
- 3 The new Spie headquarters in Cergy

## ...and a fast-growing campus

With its 30,000 students, its 200 courses and its 14 higher education institutions – including a multidisciplinary university and prestigious schools like ESSEC, ENSEA or EISTI – the Cergypontain campus is one of the largest in Paris Region. Located at the heart of the city, open to the territory, it amplifies interactions with the economic world. Currently booming, oriented towards international development, it is expected to have 10,000 more students in 2030.







The international campus project in Cergy-Pontoise will receive 90 million EUR funding for investments in the future. Its goal is to join the top 200 of the world's universities within 10 years.

# SUSTAINABLE



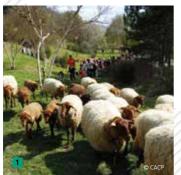
## Growth which respects balances ...

"We should build the cities in the countryside, the air is more pure" recommended Alphonse Allais at the end of the nineteenth century. One hundred years later, his quip has come to life in Cergy-Pontoise. The urban area, bordered by the Vexin Regional Natural Park, has 44% natural spaces and lively local farms. Its Territorial Consistency Plan (SCoT)

preserves this precious balance. And its public lighting, urban heat, sanitation and waste treatment policies all move in the direction of energy saving and environmental conservation.







- 1 The transhumance of sheeps to their summer pastures
- 2 100 km oh cycle paths
- There are 12 train stations in Cergy-Pontoise







Dy preserving its natural and agricultural areas of urbanisation, Cergy-Pontoise protects its environment and opts for coherent, caring and sustainable development. The urban area has 40 farms.

# .....and promotes active and public transport

Originally designed for cars, Cergy-Pontoise has resolutely focused on gentle and collective mobility. Energised by an exceptional rail network – 12 stations – the territory also has a high-quality bus network, used daily by over 70,000 passengers.

The urban area has developed a vast network of cycle lanes (100 km) and a self-service bike system (VélO2). Pedestrians enjoy 35 kilometres of walking paths.







# **ENER**GETIC



#### A healthy mind...

Cergy-Pontoise has an unusually intense cultural life. This testifies to a national scene, 12 live performance venues, 26 cinemas, plus numerous museums and exhibition venues, a regional conservatory, an active network of 15 media libraries and several festivals, whose reputation reaches far beyond the borders of the urban area (Cergy, Soit!, Jazz au fil de l'Oise, Piano Campus, Pontoise Baroque Festival, etc).

- 1 Kayak at the regional leisure area
- 2 The Cergy, Soit ! Festival
- 3 Concert at the Café de la plage











#### ...in a healthy body

Sports play a key role in Cergy-Pontoise. Here, people can play 150 of them! Relative to the number of inhabitants, the level of sports equipment is exceptional - 8 pools, thirty or so gyms... The cergypontaine ambition to achieve high levels and performance appears in particular at Aren'Ice, a temple of ice sports, as well as at the Maradas Sports Centre dedicated to high-level athletics and basketball. Cergy-Pontoise's Regional Leisure Area, with its 250 hectares of nature, its fresh water path and one million visitors per year completes this landscape.







Aren'Ice has two ice rinks which meet international standards, a moveable 4,500-seat room dedicated to ice sports and major shows, and the headquarters of the French ice hockey federation. During its first year, it welcomed more than 200,000 visitors.









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