HUMAN RESOURCES

An HR policy based on the principles of professional competency, fairness, equality and career support

Despite the industrial action taken during the year concerning the employees' salary demands, which were duly passed on by the management to the supervisory ministries, the year 2023 saw an improvement in certain employee support schemes, as well as a review of the mapping of scientific and technical jobs. An independent assessment also confirmed the effectiveness of BRGM's Diversity-Inclusion policy.

"Mature" was the word chosen by Mixity (a consultancy specialising in diversity and inclusion) to describe BRGM's policy in this area, which received an overall score of 74/100. "This study enabled us to assess our policy objectively and situate ourselves in relation to other companies, while identifying areas for improvement," explains Marie Belossat. Several aspects were analysed, highlighting the company's performance

in terms of disability inclusion (85/100), gender equality (80/100) and generational diversity (84/100). "These positive scores are a result of a policy that has been in place for almost ten years. This policy is based on the principles of inclusion through the recognition of skills and the equal and fair treatment of all employees, based on formal commitments set out in company-specific agreements and actions aimed at reducing pay differences between employees, while also taking into consideration any difficulties employees may have." A particular emphasis is also placed on

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awareness-raising campaigns, notably covering all forms of disability, including less visible ones. In addition, a new agreement on Job and Career Management is currently being negotiated with staff representatives.

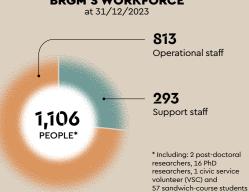
However, two other areas of BRGM's Diversity & Inclusion policy need to be reinforced, starting with the situation of LGBTQIA+ people (55/100). "We aim to prevent all forms of discrimination by

raising awareness about sexual orientation and gender identity, notably through a major annual quiz," says Marie Belossat. A quide of best practices for supporting gender transition at work was also been produced and distributed in 2023. Equally, the multicultural aspect (56/100) needs to be improved "by reinforcing BRGM's attractiveness outside France and developing a policy to encourage the recruitment of foreign PhD students".

Internal mobility encouraged

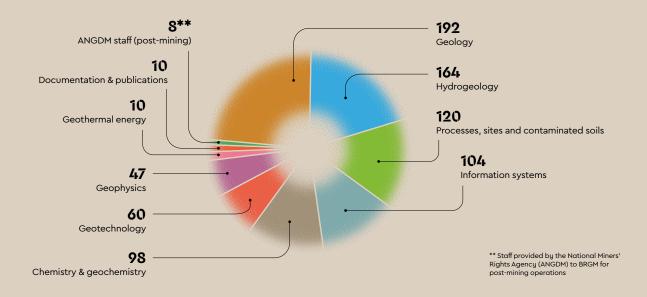
Internal mobility (69 employees in 2023) is another strong point of BRGM's HR policy, with 48% of job vacancies filled through this process last year (compared with a national average of 20%). "This encourages the development of skills, and reinforces employee motivation and employability, while also improving our employees' understanding of the company, all with a view to retaining talents," says Marie Belossat. A new company-specific agreement was signed in 2023 to encourage internal mobility and provide better support for employees concerned by geographical relocation (with a specific section for French Overseas Departments). "In addition to increasing the mobility bonus, it includes better provisions concerning the life-style changes involved in moving to a new place of work, both for the *employee and his or her family."* For example, employees can now carry out on-site reconnaissance missions before making a decision. All these improvements are the result of

BRGM'S WORKFORCE



BREAKDOWN OF THE WORKFORCE BY PROFESSION

Staff in Operational professions



"Our Diversity-Inclusion policy is based on inclusion through skills and a concern for fairness, with commitments formalised in establishment-specific agreements and actions to reduce the differences in remuneration of employees and take account of their difficulties."

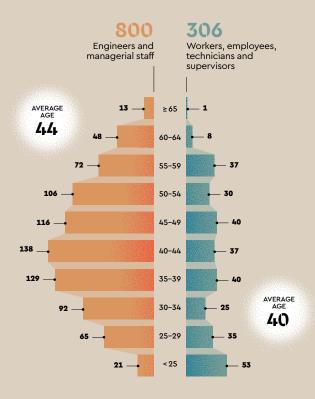
numerous discussions with employees who have already lived through the effects of geographical relocation as part of their mobility process.

A new map of scientific jobs

Following its HRS4R (Human resources strategy for researchers) accreditation in 2021, BRGM has revised the map of its scientific and technical jobs, taking inspiration from best practice and the Euraxess European database and building on the reform of its scientific-research programming. "This new map is clearer, more comprehensive and more representative of the specific features of these activities, in particular by integrating the expertise-research continuum," emphasises Marie Belossat. "It also shows the career paths available in each sector." By the end of 2023, all the jobs concerned (over 600) had been repositioned. This review will continue in 2024 with the support and management functions.

AGE PYRAMID BY CATEGORY

on 31/12/2023



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

A comprehensive CSR policy that is expanding and gathering pace

As an integral part of its strategy and its 2023-2027 Contract of Objectives, Resources and Performance (COMP), BRGM's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy continues to develop and take shape. Designed and led by an enhanced team, it covers social, ethical and environmental issues and focuses particularly on reducing the carbon footprint of the institute.

In 2023, BRGM finalised its first carbon assessment (scopes 1, 2 and 3) using data from 2019, which was chosen as the reference year. This was then used as the basis for an initial transition plan - the foundation stone of the future Sustainable Development and CSR master plan - comprising around twenty priority activities. "Half of them are aimed at improving data collection with a view to refining the measurement and management of our environmental footprint, which we will calculate every year in order to assess improvements and identify areas for improvement," explains Philippe Sabourault, CSR Manager, who states the objective as follows: a 10% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions in 5 years.

"In our consultations, we want to introduce quantitative, in addition to just qualitative questions on the carbon footprint of the product or service on offer. On the basis of the answers we receive, we will assess the environmental impact of our services and more accurately calculate our carbon footprint. This will also promote positive dynamics among our suppliers."

PHILIPPE SABOURAULT Head of CSR

HERVÉ **RIOLLAND** Head of Risk Prevention and **Quality Auditing**

Particular emphasis is placed on purchasing, which is responsible for most of BRGM's emissions. "We want to introduce quantitative, in addition to just qualitative, questions into our consultations on the carbon footprint of the product or service on offer. The answers we receive will help us to assess the environmental impact of our offer and will contribute to the calculation of our carbon footprint. This approach will also stimulate

positive dynamics among our suppliers."

Other steps have been initiated or are being pursued, particularly in the area of mobility, with employee travel accounting for a quarter of the emissions. Renewal of the fleet with less carbon-intensive electric or hybrid vehicles is continuing, along with the deployment of new charging points. A modal shift towards soft mobility, in particular cycling, is encouraged through participation in events such as Mai à vélo and its Cycle Activity Challenge. In addition, alternatives such as video conferencing are being promoted to reduce business travel.

Building stock renovation

With regard to energy consumption, the move towards savings has gathered pace since 2022, following the war in Ukraine. In addition to the transition to less carbon-intensive energy sources (electric boilers, heating network), this involves a strategy to renovate the building stock at the Orléans site on the basis of an energy assessment of the buildings that were constructed between 1968 and 2003. The first studies were carried out in 2023. "The resulting renovation plan will also optimise the use of space for remote working and hence the energy consumption involved. It will also make the buildings more accessible to people with disabilities."

This aspect of BRGM's Diversity and Inclusion policy (see page 64) was expanded in 2023 with the implementation of a new institutional agreement and consideration of all disabilities, both visible and invisible (epilepsy, endometriosis,



Electric vehicle charging point. 19 charging points were installed at the Orléans science centre in 2023. © BRGM - A. LEGENDRE

colour blindness, autism, etc.). The agenda for the European Week for the Employment of People with Disabilities, for example, included a range of events to raise awareness of neurodiversity and make BRGM an ever more disability-friendly establishment. Consideration has also been given to the situation of employees who need carers, in order to better meet their expectations. Finally, in terms of ethics, the institution intends to revitalise its system for guaranteeing ethics and integrity in its scientific and expert

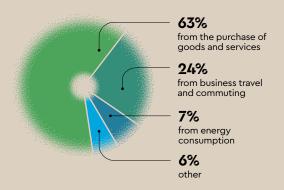
activities by overhauling its dedicated governance, stepping up employee training and spreading good practices.

A SOUND APPROACH TO CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

The two quality and environmental management system (QEMS) certifications - ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 - have been confirmed for 2023. "The QEMS is both a structuring and a management tool, demonstrating the attention BRGM pays to satisfying its internal and external stakeholders, complying with regulations and controlling the environmental impact of its activities," stresses Hervé Riolland, Head of the Risk Prevention and Quality Auditing Department. Risk prevention was also expanded in 2023. The introduction of a quarterly review of the analyses required prior to any project means that the main risks can be identified and steps can be taken or adapted to control them. For its part, the project review introduced in 2022 provides feedback from project managers. More than 500 forms were received last year. Processing them helps to optimise BRGM's performance in terms of project management and the environmental impact of its activities.

BRGM GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

2019



electric vehicle charging points provided for employees at the Orléans site by the end of 2023 More than 3,000 km cycled by employees during the 2023 Bike to Work Challenge 54 buildings on the Orléans site to be diagnosed as part of the energy audit of the building stock 328 employees attended the online conference entitled "Et si votre collèque était un zèbre (HPI)?" (What if your colleague was a zebra (with high intellectual potential)?), which was subsequently viewed in 70 replays 5.11% employment rate for disabled workers 78% success rate in 2023 for the massive

open online course against sexist and

sexual violence in the workplace, now compulsory training for new employees

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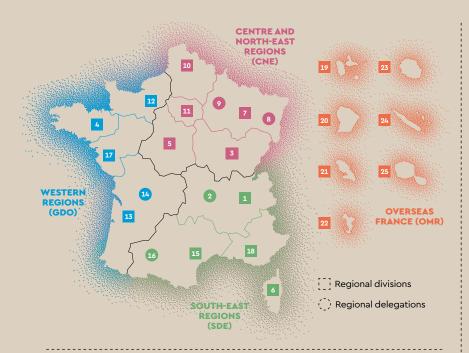
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A net profit for 2023 once again

2023 is the first year of the new Contract of Objectives, Means and Performance (COMP) signed in March 2023. The year was marked by the launch of the priority research and equipment programmes (PEPRs), the French Observatory of Mineral Resources for Industrial Sectors (OFREMI) and, more generally, by strong growth in business directly related to social issues. Despite an ongoing industrial action aimed at wage rises to keep pace with the cost of living, the increase in production and the rise in the activity rate bear witness to the employees' ongoing commitment.

Along with four other public research institutes (INRAE, CIRAD, IFREMER and IRD), BRGM acts on behalf of the government under Programme 172 of the Organic Act on Public Accounts (LOLF). BRGM also receives subsidies for public service expenditure (SCSP) under Programme 181, for its activities of "support for public-policy development in particular" and in "post-mining", as well as for two specific projects (Trackdéchets, RNDTS). Finally, it benefits from an SCSP subsidy under Programme 113 to finance the piezometric network.

At the BRGM Group level

The net consolidated profit for the group stands at €0.7M in 2023 (compared to €2.6 M in 2022). The contribution of the different entities to this net result is as follows:

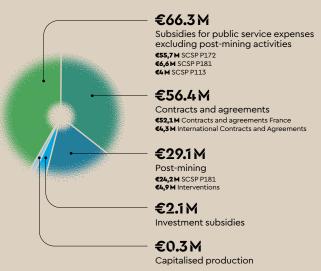
- The BRGM EPIC contributed €1.4 M, which corresponds to its net social result of €1.8 M, adjusted to take account of entries for transactions with subsidiaries (mainly write-back for €2 M in dividends received from SAGEOS):
- BRGM SA's loss-contribution was -€ 1.9 M;
- SAGEOS contributed €0.5 M to the group's result in 2023, which corresponds to its corporate result adjusted for dividends received from its subsidiaries and intra-group
- CFG and IRIS INSTRUMENTS contributed respectively +€0.1M and +€0.8 M: SOLTRACING's loss-contribution was -€0.1M.

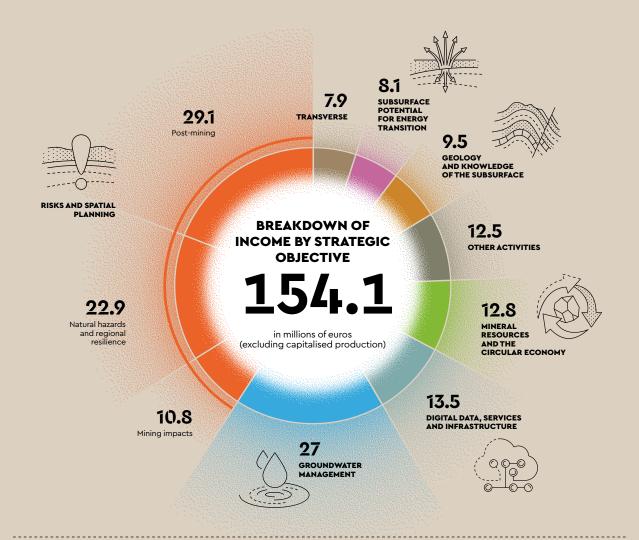


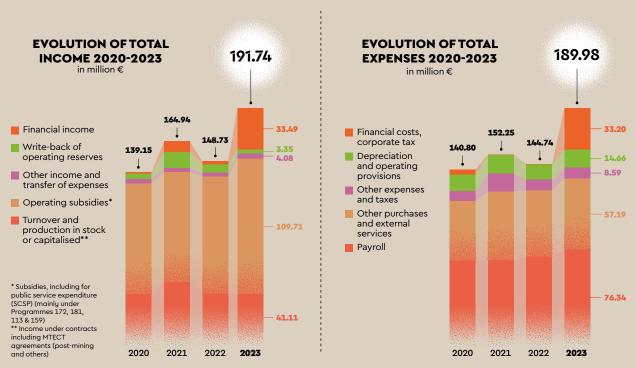
INCOME BREAKDOWN **BY MISSION**

€59.5 M Support for shaping public policy €53.8 M Research €29.1M Post-mining €11.7 M International and French companies

BREAKDOWN OF ACTIVITY BY TYPE OF FUNDING







Salient points of the 2023 financial year are various restructuring operations within the Group.

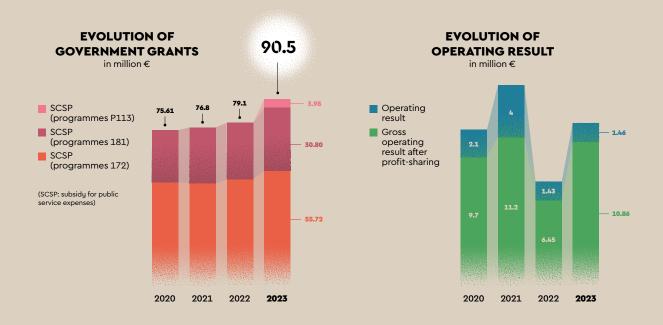
In the mining sector, NICRON, a company wholly owned by Société Minière de CHESSY (SM CHESSY), itself a wholly owned subsidiary of BRGM SA, was dissolved. SM CHESSY was then recapitalised. These operations were the first step towards SM CHESSY resuming operations in 2024 as part of the programme to update the National Inventory of Mineral Resources (IRM) announced by the President of France in September 2023, for the purpose of boosting mining investment in France.

On the geothermal side, the search for a new industrial and financial partner for CFG, capable of providing the resources necessary for its development, continued in 2023 and should be finalised in early 2024.

At the BRGM EPIC level

BRGM posted a net profit of €1.8 M for its 2023 financial year compared with a net profit of €4M in 2022. The operating result was again positive, amounting to €1.5 M; for the record, the operating result amounted to €1.4 M in 2022. The financial result amounted to €1.1 M. down from €2.5 M in 2022. All these elements led to the payment of a profit-sharing bonus (€2 M) and will allow the Group to contribute to the company savings plan in 2024.

Funds from ordinary activities amounted to €152 M, an increase of 10.8% compared with 2022. At a total of €125 M, non post-mining resources were €13 M higher than in 2022 (+11.6%). As for post-mining resources, they amounted to €29.1 M, an increase of €2.3 M compared to 2022 (+8.7%).



INCOME UNDER CONTRACTS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC POLICY DEVELOPMENT

(in million euros exclusive of VAT)

Contracts and agreements + capitalised production	2021	2022	2023
European Union + ERDF	4.618	6.517	6.678
ANR	2.410	1.854	2.724
Agencies other than ANR	8.900	7.549	6.057
Local and regional authorities	8.455	7.253	8.557
Government Ministries and departments	16.065	20.873	20.210
Companies	1.127	0.717	2.600
Sub-total research contracts and agreements + policy support (APP)	41.809	44.763	46.826

Kazakhstan. **EUROPE** Uzbekistan Luxembourg **AMERICAS** Canada, Dominican Republic, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines MIDDLE EAST Saudi Arabia, Iordan MAGHREB AFRICA AND Algeria, INDIAN OCEAN Morocco South Africa, Angola, Ethiopia, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Zimbabwe, Zambia. Democratic Republic of Congo, Mauritius BREAKDOWN OF BRGM'S INTERNATIONAL

OPERATIONS BY COUNTRY IN 2023

Excluding post-mining activities, the level of SCSP has risen compared with 2022 (+€10.5 M), due in particular to the change in the method of financing the piezometric network (now financed by SCSP from P113) and the DGPR Trackdéchets and RNDTS projects (financed by SCSP from P181); BRGM also received an exceptional non-renewable grant from the Ministry of Research (+€3.4M from P172) to cover the increase in energy costs and to compensate for the increase in its payroll. The proportion of contracts and agreements (€56.4M) was up by 4% compared to 2022.

The level of income from contracts relating to the public policy support mission was slightly lower than in 2022, at €29.7M compared with €30.7M in 2022, which was a record year. This decrease is artificial, given the change in the way the piezometric network is financed. Excluding the piezometric network effect, production under the public policy support (APP) contract for 2023 would be €33.5 M, which would be a new all-time record. Moreover, income from public research funded by contracts and agreements (€15.3 M) increased by €2.5 M compared with 2022. This was

mainly due to the sharp rise in production under European contracts. International production remained stable compared with 2022, at €4.3 M (compared with €3.9 M in 2022). Sales in France grew slightly (from €5.0 M in 2022 to €5.4 M in 2023).

Income from post-mining business increased, standing at €4.8M (up €1.4M compared to 2022). The monitoring activity benefited from an additional SCSP of €0.7M to partially cover the additional energy costs of the pumping stations.

Current operating expenses (excluding provisions and reversals) are €10 M higher than in 2022 (+7.2%), at €149.5 M. Excluding "exceptional" items (write-offs of €1M in 2022), structural external costs increased by €2.2M compared with 2022. The payroll also increased by €5.3M compared with 2022, with the wage increase rate for permanent staff (RMPP) rising to 5%.

Net financial income was €1.1M in 2023, mainly due to integration of the €2M in dividends from SAGEOS. The Group's income resulted in corporate tax of €0.8 M in 2023.

Subsidiaries and holdings

BRGM Group's subsidiaries and equity are divided between three holding companies each corresponding to a specific sector.

SAGEOS is the holding company for all shares held in subsidiaries operating in geothermal energy, with, on the one hand, CFG Services for which it owns 50% of the capital (BeicipFranlab Groupe IFPEN, of which it owns 50% since March 2024), and on the other, Geothermie Bouillante, in which it has a 15% holding (ORMAT Systems and the Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations own 63.75% and 21.25% of the capital, respectively) and in measurement instruments for geophysical, hydrogeological, hydraulic, geotechnical and mining surveys, where it has a 51% holding in IRIS Instruments (the Japanese OYO Group holds the other 49%). For the management of excavated earth, it has a 44% holding in Soltracing (with HESUS owning 55%).

COFRAMINES and BRGM SA hold the BRGM Group's remaining equity in the mining sector (dormant companies with no activities or development planned, or companies under liquidation).

BRGM SA has held receivables from the Société de Participation Minière du Sud Calédonien (SPMSC) since 2005, when the BRGM Group transferred its share in the GORO project in New Caledonia to the SPMSC.

BRGM GROUP ORGANISATION at 31 December 2022 mining sector Soltracing 44% COFRAMINES 68.63% Géothermie **Bouillante** 31.37% SAGEOS 100% **Services** mining IRIS geothermal energy sector BRGM SA Instruments 100% 51% geophysical, hydrogeological, environmental, geotechnical and mining sectors



2023: Structuring and investment

2023 will be remembered as a landmark year for geothermal energy, in particular through the geothermal energy plan presented in February 2023, "an action plan to accelerate", one of the objectives of which is to increase the number of deep geothermal energy projects in France by 40%.

Thanks to political impetus, geothermal energy is positioning itself as a credible alternative for meeting the major challenges of the energy transition.

With its leading position in its markets, CFG has certainly benefited from a favourable economic climate, but has also been able to seize opportunities through efficient new approaches, thereby establishing its reputation with long-standing customers.

In order to meet its ambitions as set out in the "Ambitions 2030" strategic plan, the priorities have been to recruit new staff, particularly to strengthen its production teams, but also to develop new market segments.

Six new employees joined the Group in 2023 and since their recruitment, they are currently being groomed so that they are fully operational for the 2024 financial year.

CFG is now active in the geothermal energy market, offering geothermal energy to industrial sites to help them make the transition to a carbon-neutral energy future. Positioning ourselves in these markets requires a specific sales approach and agility, and in 2023 there were a number of changes in the way we operate.

As a result of its consolidation and involvement in the sector, CFG has taken part in preliminary studies to help minimise the risks to the resource in areas where it is less well known, notably in the west of the Paris region, in Hautsde-France and in the Rhone corridor.

The Dogger underground project management business in the Paris region was buoyant, with drilling of the Saint Denis doublet and a first doublet at Pantin - Les Lilas. Preliminary studies carried out as part of project management assignments at Villetaneuse, Roissy-Charles de Gaulle (Paris Airport) and Dugny-Le-Bourget will culminate in the drilling of boreholes scheduled for 2024.

In terms of innovations, 2023 will remain a major year with the completion of the first all-composite doublet at Champigny-sur-Marne and the development of an innovative approach to the resources of related substances in geothermal brines. This approach has enabled CFG, as part of a partnership with Beicip-Franlab, to offer manufacturers technical solutions for optimising their strategy for mobilising lithium resources in France.



CEO of CEG

CEO: Éric Lasne Turnover: €5.300 M SAGEOS holding: 50% Beicip-Franlab

holding: 50% Staff: 25 employees

After two years devoted to obtaining exclusive exploration licences in island regions (Réunion, Mayotte, Guadeloupe and Martinique) for electricity production, 2023 was a year of transition and support for project owners in preparing additional exploration and scheduling future drilling.

Also in 2023, the supervision of the programme for three new boreholes on the Bouillante concession was completed, all of them successfully.

As part of what can be described as a classic year for maintenance and operational monitoring, CFG has decided to revitalise its activities in the field of corrosion-related microbiology expertise. Two leads have already been identified: research into innovative solutions for quantifying bacteria in an anaerobic environment, and the development of improved services for detecting leaks in underground pipes.

After an excellent 2022 FY in terms of results, boosted by a number of exceptional items, 2023 will be a year of investment and getting up to speed in order to provide the best responses to the many demands generated by a dynamic and growing market.



Drilling rig, Champigny-sur-Marne. © OCÉANE DURIER



2023, a year of record achievement

Despite a complex economic and geopolitical context, 2023 was noteworthy at IRIS Instruments for intense activity with the launching of new products and numerous commercial and exploratory requests.

The very positive results for 2023 confirm the company's choice of long-term strategy, which in recent years has led to a significant increase in stocks of electronic components and other raw materials. This initiative aims to secure supply chains and better meet customer needs. IRIS Instruments is more than ever committed to ensuring that its products are robust and can be repaired. As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) approach, these decisions, despite their heavy financial implications, keep IRIS Instruments in step with the times.

Backed by in-house electronics research and development, IRIS products are achieved through know-how acquired over decades. Technicians and engineers with varied and complementary skills are an exceptional asset that gives IRIS a unique strategic agility and adequate means to innovate.

IRIS equipment is distributed in more than fifty countries on five continents through a network of dedicated representatives. Local representatives, who account for half of global sales, are trained in the use of new products, and some of them are also trained in first-level repairs.





TRUFFERT CEO, Iris Instruments

Turnover: €7.986 M **SAGEOS** holdina: 51%

OYO holding: Staff:

27 employees including one apprentice

The mineral exploration, environment and groundwater research markets received equal

In the field of mining exploration, a noteworthy event in 2023 was the launch of the TIP12, a unique, high-power (12 kilowatts), current- and voltage-regulated transmitter. This instrument follows on from its predecessor, the TIP6 (6 kilowatts), which can also be used with the ELREC and FULLWAVERS electrical resistivity and induced polarisation recorders used for investigations at depths of up to one kilometre. Despite market reluctance to invest in the mining sector, mining exploration accounted for a third of IRIS sales, with almost a quarter attributed to the new TIP6 and TIP12 transmitters.

SYSCAL resistivity meters continued to dominate the interconnected water research and environmental markets, with the addition of proton magnetic

resonance for groundwater prospecting.

IRIS Instruments' success is due to its teams and partners who work daily to meet customers' challenges. In 2023, the number of training sessions led by IRIS geophysicists at its customers' sites exceeded that prior to the COVID crisis.

Faced with the magnitude of environmental and societal challenges, IRIS Instruments continues to pursue its research and innovation activities to meet emerging needs in imaging and time-series monitoring of the subsurface.

In 2023, research and development projects such as MEGAMU, involving the *Institut de Physique des deux infinis* in Lyon, IPGP, GEG Experts, the University of Geneva and Géosciences Rennes, have strengthened IRIS Instruments' position in the geothermal exploration market.

Demonstrating its commitment to quality and continuous improvement, IRIS is proud to announce the renewal of its ISO 9001 version 2015 certification in 2023.

Training on a SYSCAL PRO in Angola on behalf of GEOLANDER.

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