## Auftaktworkshop des Modellvorhabens der Raumordnung (MORO) Etablierung eines Raumbeobachtungsystems für angrenzende Regionen



Territorial Monitoring on French borders and Franco-German cooperation

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#### 1 - The Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière

Catégorie d'adhérents

Régions, cantons ou communautés

autonomes

Départements

ou provinces

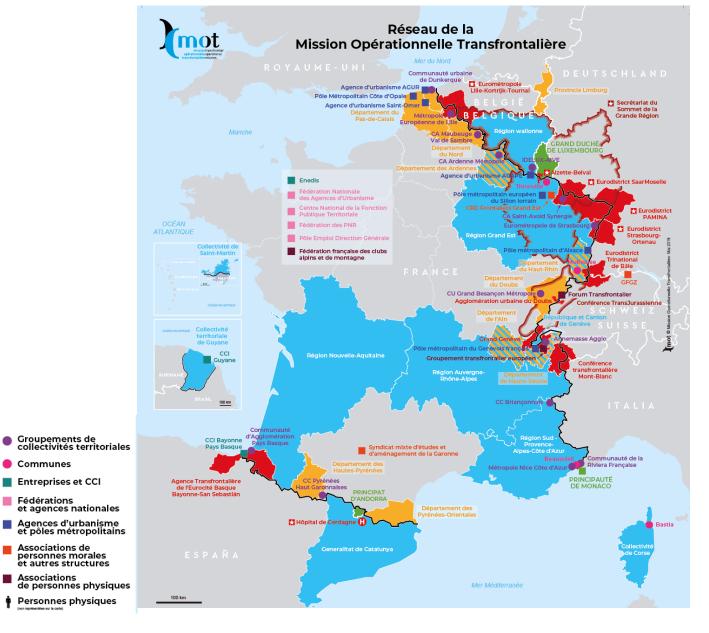
Groupements plurinationaux de collectivités territoriales

Dont: Groupements

européens de coopération territoriale (GECT) Communes

Etats

The MOT network





## 2 - Cross-border monitoring: local actors and initiatives

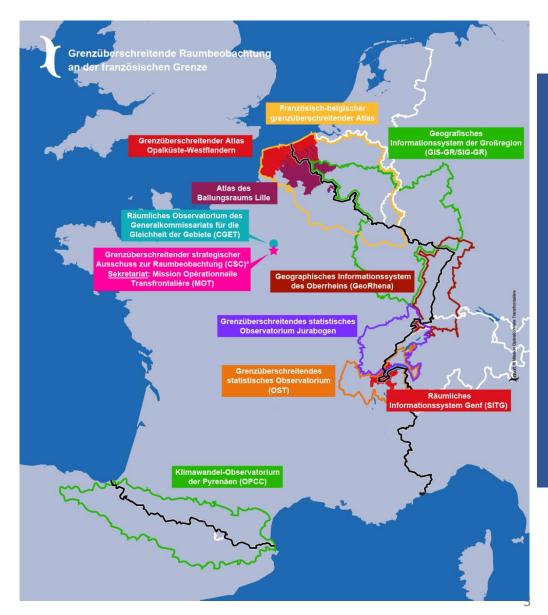
Several local initiatives







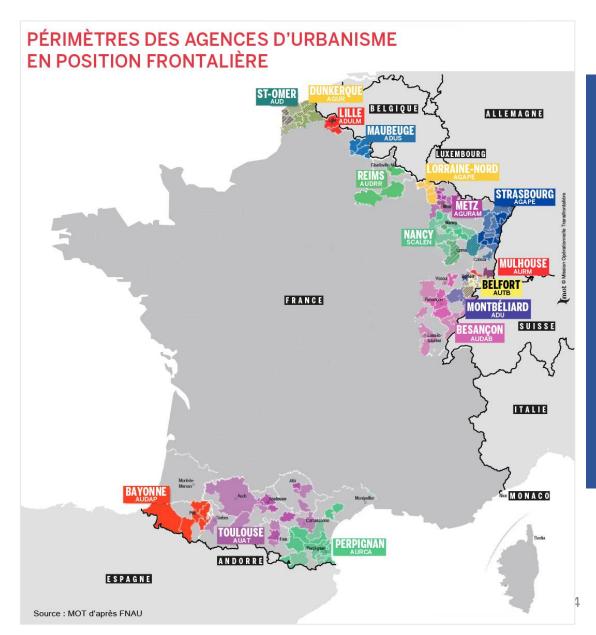






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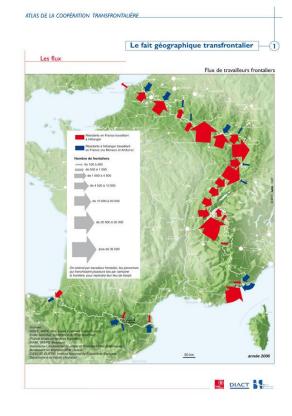
- Urban planning agencies
- Associations, multidisciplinary tools, they develop expert assessments regarding the various domains of urban planning and territorial development: planning, housing, mobility, economy, environment, real estate...
- Territorial observation is one of their main job
- Among the 49 urban agencies, 16 are concerned by borders





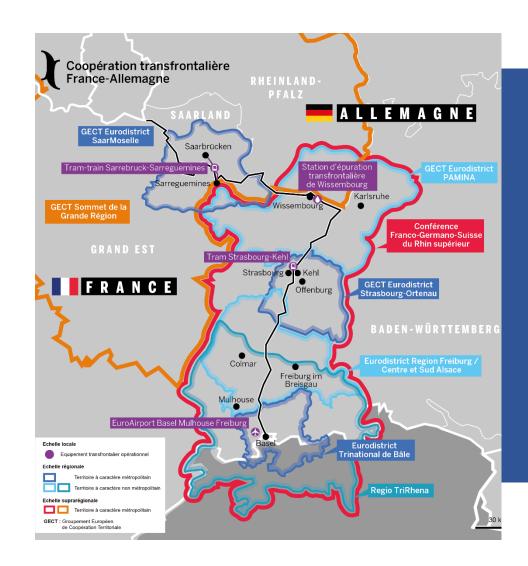
#### Historic and news

- 1999: The MOT conducted the first observation and mapping exercise covering all of France's borders at the national level
- 2012 : Seminar on the observation of cross-border territories in Nancy : the Nancy Initiative
- 2013 : Creation of the Cross-border strategic committee (CSC) by 8
  countries (France and neighboring countries) Secretariat: MOT
- 2018: INSEE (French National Institute of Statistics) has established a center specialized on cross-border monitoring located in Nancy
- · 2019:
  - The French-German brochure on cross-border observation
  - The Aachen Treaty, and the cross-border cooperation committee including territorial observation
- 2020 : new French functional urban areas, including European methodology and cross-border influences / effects





- Aachen Treaty (22 January 2019):
  - ✓ The two States set up a cross-border cooperation committee (CCC) responsible for:
    - coordination of all aspects of cross-border territorial observation between the French Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany
    - defining a common strategy for selecting priority projects
    - to monitor the difficulties encountered in the border territories
    - to make proposals for remedying them
    - analyze the impact of new legislation on border territories

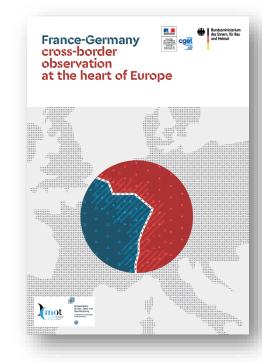




- The French-German brochure on cross-border observation
  - ✓ Promote cross-border observation
  - ✓ At the FR-DE border
  - ✓ On their other borders
  - ✓ In other countries and at European level
- Action 1 Identification of thematic priorities: more multilevel cooperation

An adequate formulation of needs requires the involvement and the cooperation of all data users, from field stakeholders to national and European authorities.

>> <u>Priority themes</u>: specific geographic partnerships; Interreg support; national pilot projects







 Action 2 - For more data harmonisation and adapted data collection: coordination with statistical institutes

France and Germany will **support coordination efforts with statistical offices**, and make sure the needs, identified thanks to an intensified multilevel cooperation, are transmitted to the European Statistical System.

 Action 3 - Towards European cross-border monitoring: coordination with other European countries and with European institutions

France and Germany will facilitate networking between local and national observatories, with the help of interregional programs (Interact, ESPON), under the umbrella of the intergovernmental cooperation (Directors-General in charge of territorial cohesion), and with the contribution of the future network made up of national "cross-border coordination points" planned by the ECBM regulation.



## 3 - Perspectives and vision for a French, German and European cross-border observation

#### ✓ Maintain the Cross-border Strategic Committee (once a year)

- Includes local, national and european observatories
- Sees the progress on cross-border observation in Europe, Germany, France and other countries
- Makes decisions and engage actions

#### ✓ Decisions of the last CSC

- Survey of local actors of cross-border observation at French borders
  - Launched this week (+/- 120 respondents)
  - Convergent with the German action plan
    - First objective : identify the thematic priorities (in reference to the FR-DE Brochure Action 1 "Identification of thematic priorities")
    - Second objective: identify the indicators priorities from the thematic priorities (second survey in 2020)
- Engage a France / Germany partnership on cross-border observation
  - Rely on the Aachen Treaty (which gives mandate to the two countries) and on German MORO projects: towards a Franco-German cross-border MORO ?
- Coordinate France / Germany / UE initiatives on CB observation
  - See further



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#### ✓ Create a MOT Working group on CB observation (2 to 3 time a year)

- Includes local and CB observatories, such as urban planning agencies, National Institute of Statistics, ....
- Implements the decisions of the CSC
- Produces comparative datas
- Provides data basis (?)
- Produces studies/analysis
- In reference to the FR-DE Brochure Action 2 "For more data harmonisation and adapted data collection: coordination with statistical institutes"

#### ✓ Rely on Cross-border Cooperation Committee (CCC) (once a year ?)

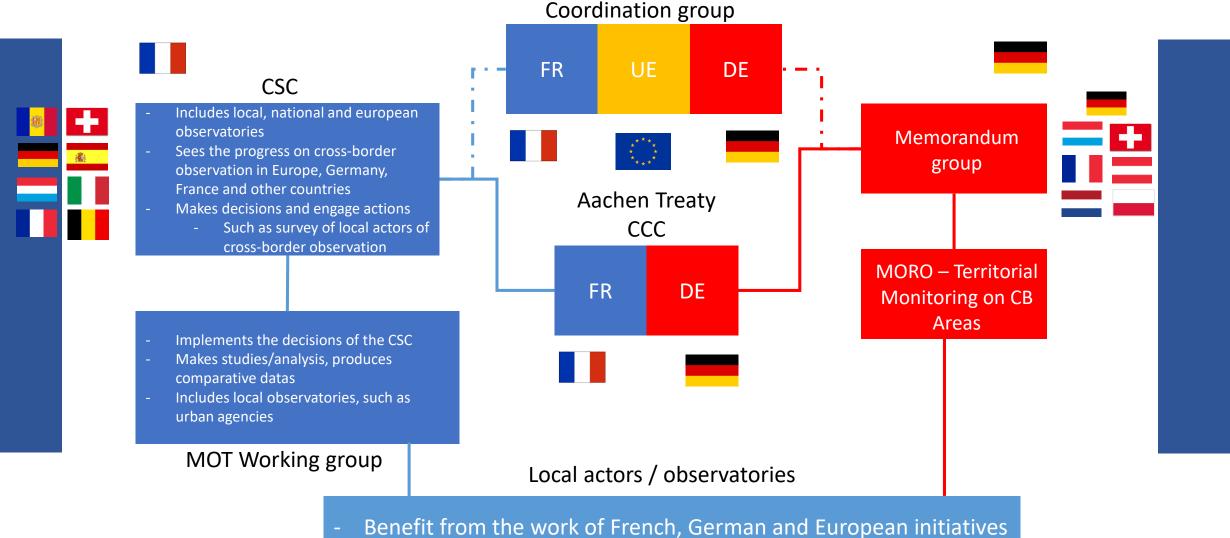
- In order to coordinate the French and German initiatives, especially on this border
- Including local actors of both sides
- In reference to the FR-DE Brochure Action 2 "For more data harmonisation and adapted data collection: coordination with statistical institutes"

#### ✓ Create a European Coordination Group on CB Observation

- In order to coordinate the European, French and German initiatives
- In order to extend this method on other borders
- In reference to the FR-DE Brochure Action 3 « Towards European cross-border monitoring: coordination with other European countries and with European institution »



## 3 - Perspectives and vision for a French, German and European cross-border observation



Have access to convergent cross-border databases