

ADVISORY GROUP MEETING 28/06/22

Decision presentation for France

UN/LOCODE

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I. MERGING MUNICIPALITIES

MERGING MUNICIPALITIES, AN ON-GOING PROCESS

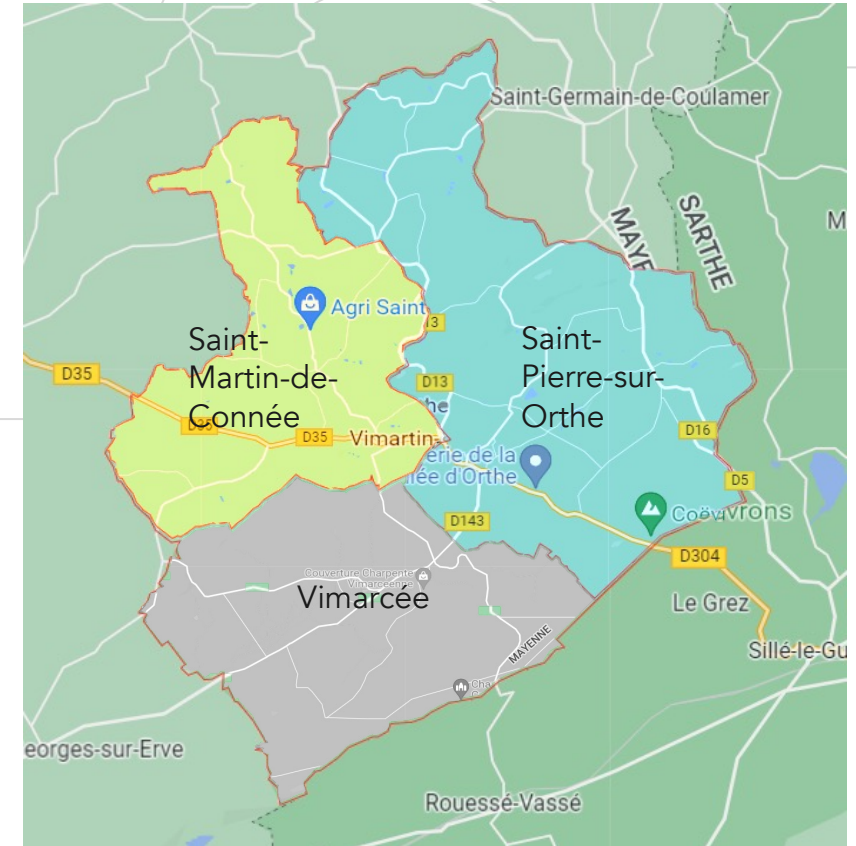
Since 2010, 2550 municipalities have been merged to create 823 new municipalities. (Example →)

– An average of 3 old municipalities per new one.

During March 2022 maintenance team session, at least 4 demands concerned merged municipalities.

– And most of the time at least one of the old municipalities already had a LOCODE.

The merging process is on-going and will continue for many years to come. A policy needs to be defined.

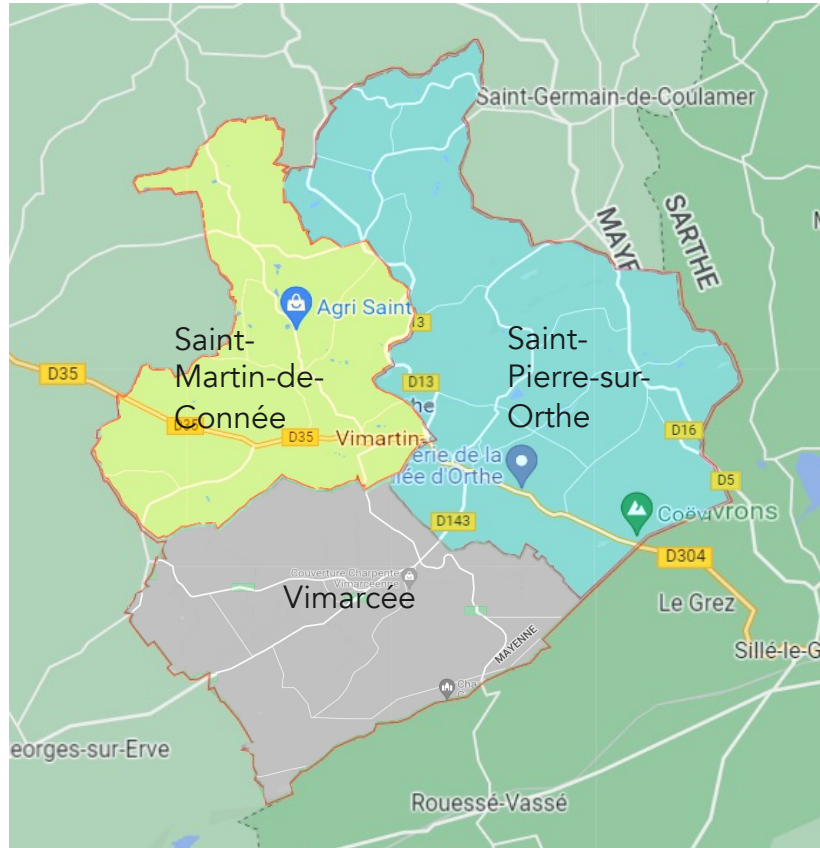


Saint-Martin-sur-Orthe (2020)

MERGING MUNICIPALITIES, FUSIONS AND ABSORPTIONS

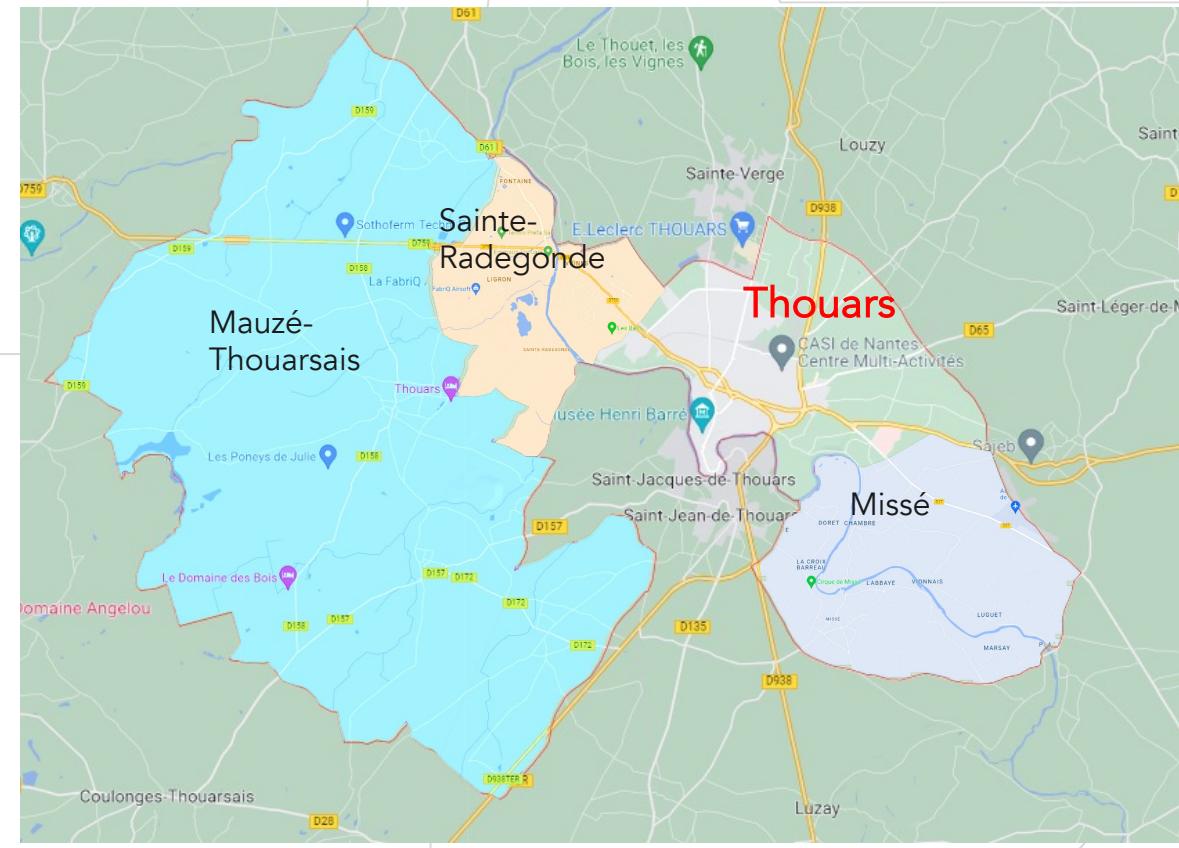
Two main cases :

Several municipalities of similar size merge into a whole new one



Saint-Martin-sur-Orthe (2020)

Several municipalities absorbed by a more important one (Thouars here)



Thouars (2018)

MERGING MUNICIPALITIES, ACCEPTANCE RULES

Two main cases :

No existing
code

Several municipalities of similar size
merge into a whole new one



Accept request
according to usual
conditions

Several municipalities absorbed by a
more important one



Accept request
according to usual
conditions

Existing code
in one or
more of the
municipalities



Create a new code



Use existing code if most important
municipality, create new else

Use all the functions of the merged
municipalities

Give function 0 to old codes

After two years, delete old codes



II. LOCODES DENSITY

FRENCH LOCODES, ACCEPTANCE RULES

In 2021, 34 965 municipalities in France

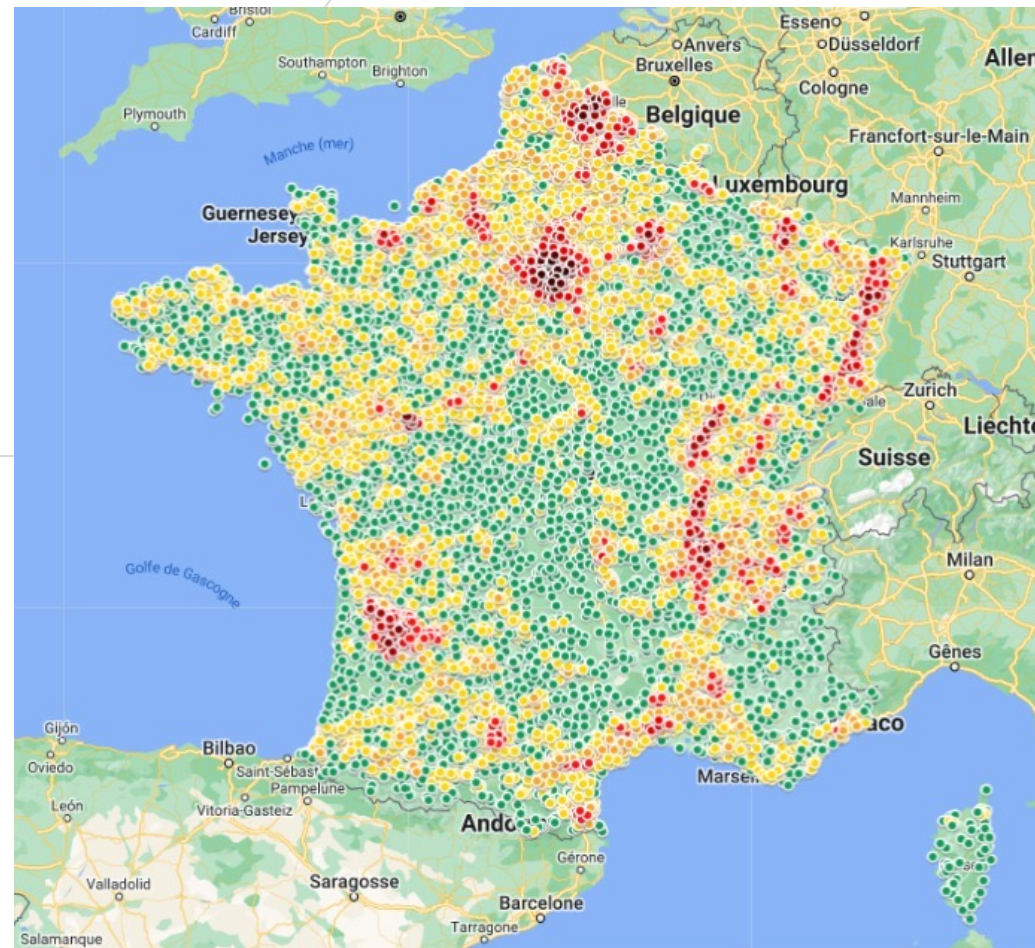
- Number decreasing each year due to the merging.

In 2021, 14 326 LOCODES in France

- Number increasing every six months due to new requests.
- 41% of the municipalities have a LOCODE.

The number and density of LOCODES being very important, some exceptions to the acceptance criteria need to be defined for France.

- Density over 15 LOCODE in 10km radius
- Density between 5 and 10 in a 10km radius
- Density below 5 LOCODE in a 10km radius



French LOCODE (January 2021)

FRENCH LOCODES, AN UNUSUAL DENSITY

When a request is submitted :

- Do not automatically accept AA requests since some requests from the government have already been considered unjustified
- Check the proximity of another LOCODE : less than 10 km = refused
- Point to the nearest LOCODE or the biggest city around (here, for Thuré, point to Châtellerault), inform requester
- Be more restrictive on the business main criteria : the LOCODE must be representative of a sustainable commercial activity
- Ask the requester to give an indication on the activity justifying the request
- Merged municipalities : see section I.



LOCODES around Châtellerault and Thuré (FR 86)

III. WHO ARE WE?

SETEC, REPRESENTING THE NFP FOR FRANCE

A MULTIDISCIPLINARY ENGINEERING GROUP,

which designs and implements complex and innovative environmentally friendly projects around the world (transport systems, construction, referential, etc.).



1957
CREATION



25%
OF OUR ACTIVITIES
OUTSIDE OF FRANCE



330 M€
TURNOVER IN
2019



+ than 9
INTERNATIONAL
AWARDS



3 000
ENGINEERS ALL
OVER THE WORLD

2 200 IN FRANCE
500 ELSEWHERE

ACTORS



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