

Nice Méridia, an urban technopolis for Nice Côte d'Azur



Located in the Nice Côte d'Azur EcoCity in the heart of the Côte d'Azur Metropolitan area, the Nice Méridia Urban Technopolis provides facilities for development of R&D and training activities in the environment, “green growth”, healthcare and mobile contactless services sectors, in synergy with the expertise available in Sophia Antipolis.

Nice Méridia includes **housing for the working population**, facilities for the “**Training-Research-Companies**” triptych, shops and neighborhood services, combining urban quality with functional mix. The Technopolis is an ideal destination for company location in a top-quality urban environment – an **innovation catalyzer with high environmental performance**.



Urban quality at the service of innovation

26 hectares for the 1st operational sector
Total possible extension: 200 hectares

60% of land managed
by the public authorities

320,000 m² buildable
land capacity

2,100 housing units

4,000 jobs ultimately forecast
for the 1st sector

Provisional programming

■ Business real-estate

- Tertiary sector, and laboratories
- Shops and services

■ Facilities

- Eco-campus (university and Schools of Engineering)
- Mediterranean Institute for Risk, Environment and Sustainable Development
- European Center for Companies and Innovation
- Campus Régional de l'Apprentissage (CCI Nice Côte d'Azur)

■ Diversified housing units

Timetable

■ Program carried out

- Immeuble Premium: 10,200-m² LEB
- 69 housing units

■ 2012 / 2013

Design of the urban project
Regulatory procedures

■ 2014 onwards

Works and commercialization

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Christian Devillers is an urban architect of international reputation and has been appointed as Nice Méridia's urban project manager.

Heading a multidisciplinary group including the Devillers & Associates agency, the Artelia engineering office, Transversal and the sociologist Alain Bourdin, and signatory of a nine-year framework agreement, he is responsible for the operation's urban design, overseeing building projects to ensure their architectural and environmental coherence, and acting as project manager for development work.

His awards include the 1984 Silver T-Square Prize, the 1998 National Urban-Planning Prize, the 2006 Golden Pyramid, and the 2009 National "Eco-District" Prize for the Caserne de Bonne in Grenoble.



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□ Perimeter of first
operational sector
□ Perimeter of total
possible extension
200 m

Objectives

■ Developing layout of the Nice Méridia Urban Technopolis to ensure **harmonious coexistence of economic, research, training, sports and leisure activities** and residential amenities

■ Strengthening the Urban Technopolis' priority sectors: **environment, "green growth", healthcare and mobile contactless services**

■ Speeding up **endogenous development procedures**: business incubators, serviced offices, business centers, etc.

■ **Innovation and environmental quality**

