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The Bouches de Bonifacio International Marine Park between Corsica and Sardinia

## LABOUR MARKET

Due to its tax regime which is highly favourable to businesses, and despite the pressures on real estate, the Principality of Monaco constitutes an attractive employment hub for the whole of the coastal area, with 50,792 salaried jobs in 2013<sup>61</sup> compared with 37,800 inhabitants (of which one third are of working age), which represents 4 jobs per working-age person. The number of cross-border workers from France is thus particularly high (about 34,600 in 2012, i.e. representing 75% of the salaried jobs in Monaco), with workers also coming from Italy (about 3,700 cross-border workers). Today, transport routes are saturated (roads and trains) and the only option open to Monaco is therefore to attempt to improve rail links in order to attract more cross-border workers and further develop economic activity.

As the interactions in terms of labour are less on other parts of the border (in comparison to other French borders), the importance of offering specifically cross-border training is not so great.

## PLAYERS IN CROSS-BORDER ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE

- ↘ **In the tourism industry and in terms of promotion of the environment, the nature parks constitute important entities in cross-border cooperation.** This has given rise to the creation of the Mercantour-Alpi Maritime European Park EGTC between the Mercantour National Park (FR) and the Maritime Alps Nature Park (IT) and the PMIBB<sup>62</sup> EGTC between the Corsican Office of the Environment (FR) and the National Park of the Maddalena Archipelago (IT).
- ↘ **In the North, with the Swiss canton of Valais, there is also a plan for a “Mont Blanc Area” EGTC** concerned both with environmental and economic development issues (including tourism) and bringing together the Aosta Valley autonomous region in Italy and two groupings of districts in France, (Chamonix Valley-Mont-Blanc and Pays du Mont-Blanc), as well as two Departments (Ain and Haute-Savoie).

<sup>61</sup> Source: IMSEE, 2013. These figures correspond to a concept of “worker weighting”, which is a representation of employees in terms of a weight corresponding to the hours spent working for their different employers on a pro rata basis.

<sup>62</sup> PMIBB: Parc Marin International des Bouches de Bonifacio (International Marine Park of Bonifacio).