# Group profile

The Group at a glance



Founded in 1905



€117M in revenue



100 experts on 3 R&D sites



4,500 client companies in **55 countries** 



82% employability for trained job seekers



## Our core mission

The Institut de Soudure is a dynamic, innovative group, providing solutions to make the industry safer and sustainable, in the field of welding, joining, related testing and training industries in France and across the world. The Group assists its portfolio of clients in boosting their operational efficiency by training their employees, maintaining their equipment, monitoring risks and optimizing their operations.

### **References in all sectors**

The Institut de Soudure provides solutions to clients in all sectors. We have been continuously adding to our traditional markets (oil and gas, energy, construction and infrastructure) for more than ten years, and are now also active in the nuclear. aeronautical, railway and electronic sectors.

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2. Le Havre - Gonfreville

Tel: 02 35 53 36 16

Tel: 02 33 02 02 88

Tel: 02 40 19 34 65

Tel: 02 40 91 05 55

(Inspection, Testing)

7. Bordeaux - Latresne

Tel: 05 56 74 90 25

Composite Integrity

Tel: 05 56 74 90 25

**CENTER - NORTH** 

11. Dunkerque

(Training)

**CORROSIA** 

15. Saint-Dizier

**13. Douai - Cuincy** Tel: 03 27 71 27 90

12. Roubaix

9. Toulouse - Plaisance-du-Touch Tel: 05 61 43 20 43

10. Dunkerque - Grande-Synthe

Tel: 03 28 61 02 00

(Inspection, Testing)

Tel: 03 28 58 95 41

Tel: 09 83 50 80 85

14. Châlons-en-Champagne Tel: 03 26 21 64 65

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6. Saint-Nazaire - Montoir

5. La Hague

(Training)

MICRONIKS

8. Pau

3. Cherbourg - Tourlaville

**4. Cherbourg - Equeurdreville** Tel: 02 33 41 20 38



- O Centre offering Inspection, Testing, Expertise
- Centre offering R&D
- Centre offering vocational training
- ▲ Cofrend CIFM approved examination centre

### 16. Villepinte

Tel: 01 49 90 36 77 (Regional centre) Tel: 01 49 90 36 79 (Electronics training)

### MICRONIKS

- **17. Compiègne**Tel: 03 60 19 94 00
- 18. Montargis Ouzouer Tel: 02 38 35 02 95
- 19. Tours
- Tel: 02 47 37 89 08 20. Chinon - Avoine Tel: 02 47 81 44 70
- 21. Niort Tel: 05 49 33 40 21

22. Thionville - Yutz Tel: 03 82 59 13 80

- **23. Goin**Tel: 03 87 55 60 75
- 24. Porcelette Tel: 03 87 00 00 10
- Composite Integrity
- 25. Saint-Avold Tel: 03 87 92 93 94
- 26. Strasbourg Entzheim Tel: 03 90 22 27 50
- 27. Mulhouse Wittenheim Tel: 03 89 57 09 50
- 28. Lyon Corbas Tel: 04 78 20 60 07
- 29. Grenoble Tel: 04 76 24 57 12
- 30. Bagnols-sur-Cèze Tel: 04 66 89 76 77
- 31. Marseille Port-de-Bouc Tel: 04 42 06 25 98 (Inspection, Testing, Expertise) Tel: 04 42 06 02 00

(Training)

## PROVIDING SOLUTIONS TO MAKE THE INDUSTRY SAFER AND SUSTAINABLE



**INSPECTION - TESTING CERTIFICATION** 

# ... and abroad



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WHAT LINKS US MAKES US STRONGER

# SIX ACTIVITIES IN SYNERGY

**RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT** 



TRAINING - EDUCATION

UCATION INSPECTION



TESTING PRODUCT CERTIFICATION





The Institut de Soudure accompanies large, medium and small industrial businesses as well as microenterprises in their development and innovation strategy, thanks to our high added-value expertise, our multi-disciplinary skills and the resources and industrial pilot projects of our 4 research platforms.

- Four technological platforms dedicated to:
  joining (arc, laser, hybrid laser, electron beam,
  FSW, brazing); wire-arc and wire-laser additive
  manufacturing; modelling and characterisation
  of materials and assemblies (corrosion, fatigue,
  fracture); non-destructive testing and monitoring of
  structures (industrial maintenance, new equipment,
  composites); continuous fiber composite materials
  (welding, RTM, infusion, compression...).
  These platforms are used for French and
  international collective research projects, industrial
  and associative studies, studies for the profession,
  and services.
- **Documentation and Standardisation:** analysis of global technical journals, monitoring of standards, regulations, scientific research and documents.
- The services we provide to our industrial members: our professional network gives you a head start with a range of constantly developing services: personalised technical support from our experts, invitations to regional or remote events throughout the year, international monitoring of technology, normative and regulatory monitoring, bibliographic research, etc.



# RESOLVING **COMPLEX PROBLEMS**AND ADVISING INDUSTRIAL COMPANIES

**EXPERTISE** 

The experts at the Institut de Soudure work to understand the origin of failures and to extend the life-cycle of in-service equipment.

They also advise industrial companies regarding their technological choices.

- **Expertise**: root causes damage analysis on all types of metallic or composite materials for industrial companies or court experts.
- Analysis of the harmfulness of defects: fitnessfor-service studies, optimisation of the life-cycle of old equipment, rehabilitation of equipment after a damage.
- Advice, Calculation, Design: advice regarding welding, dimensioning calculation, design optimisation (weight, life-cycle, welded joints), design verification (compliance of pressure equipment, bridges, structures).
- **Replicas**: on-site examination and diagnosis on the metallurgical health of new or in-service equipment. Analysis of emerging defects. Quick and precise examination without sampling. Rehabilitation of equipment after a fire.



## DEVELOPING SKILLS IN WELDING AND ASSOCIATED TECHNIQUES

The first organisation to deliver welding training in France in 1909, the Institut de Soudure has since continued to extend its training offer – both face-to-face in its fixed and mobile centers and remote - to respond to the needs of all: companies, employees, young people, job seekers and private individuals.

- Preparation for international welding certificates: international welder, welding coordinators (practitioner, specialist, technologist, engineer) and inspection personnel.
- Theoretical and practical training in welding,
   brazing and piping: materials (metallic, composite, multi-material assemblies), processes, design, manufacture, electronics, and preparation for qualifications.
- Training in non-destructive testing (conventional and advanced methods) and in radiation protection. Preparation for certification exams.
- O Two graduate schools ESSA and EAPS for a year of specialisation in welding or in testing.
- Work study modules in welding and in NDT: as an apprentice training centre (CFA), we offer courses aimed at CQPM, professional titles, supplementary modules, professional NDT licence, ESSA specialised engineer.
- Personnel certification: organisation of non-destructive testing agents' certification exams.



# ENSURING THE COMPLIANCE AND SAFETY OF YOUR FACILITIES

The Institut de Soudure is the operator that is able to deploy considerable human and technological resources when accompanying its customers, from design to commissioning and then maintenance.

- Second- and third-party inspection: manufacturing follow-up of industrial equipment (pressure components, piping, structural works), procurement verification, welding book verification, in-service monitoring of overhead road traffic sign structures, follow-up on anti-corrosion coating work, pretransport inspections.
- Regulatory inspection: as a member of ASAP\*, assessment of the compliance of new pressure equipment, checking of in-service equipment (periodic inspection and re-qualification, initial and in-operation verification, check at commissioning and following significant work), qualification of operating procedures for permanent assemblies and of the staff in charge of such assemblies.



# TESTING AND EVALUATING THE QUALITY OF YOUR EQUIPMENT AND PRODUCTS

The Institut de Soudure - leader of NDT in France - implements the most innovative inspection and testing techniques to validate equipment manufacturing and ensure in-service monitoring.

Non-destructive testing (NDT): development of non-destructive testing and monitoring methods suitable for metallic, composite or ceramic materials. Implementation of conventional methods (liquid penetration, magnetoscopy, ultrasonics, radiography) and advanced methods (acoustic emissions, TOFD, ACFM, Phased Array, etc.) when laying pipes, shutting down industrial units (refinery, thermal power plants), inspecting productions (boiler making, aerospace) and maintaining structures.

The Institut de Soudure has its own rope-access technicians and remote-controlled robots for work on equipment that is not accessible by scaffolding. In the most technically demanding cases, highly qualified dedicated teams and project managers operate in France and internationally.

- Destructive testing: several laboratories dedicated to material testing (static and dynamic mechanical tests, corrosion tests, metallographic examinations, chemical analysis, and heat treatments). These procedures are used to characterise materials, to qualify welders and welding procedures, to produce sample pieces and prototypes, etc.
- Engineering: development of innovative and tailor-made solutions



- IS Certification, a subsidiary of the Institut de Soudure, is dedicated to the performance of certification audits in the field of welding.
- Several standards form the basis of the certifications, the most well-known of which are:
- EN 15085\* for the design, purchase, manufacture and maintenance of railway rolling stock components
- **EN 1090\*** for the CE marking of metallic structures
- ISO 3834\* for all welded products.
- These certifications attest to your company's compliance and have become, in many cases, an **indispensable passport** for major international contractors.
- o IS Certification has already provided certification to more than 300 companies that place their trust in it. both in France and abroad.
- o IS Certification is the only French body **known to** issue multiple certifications in the welding sector in the context of a single assessment.

<sup>\*</sup>The Institut de Soudure Industrie is a member of ASAP, a type A inspection body notified and authorised under the European directive on pressure equipment and accredited by COFRAC (scope of accreditation No. 3-061 available at www.cofrac.fr)