



Meeting of the Network of SME Envoys September 14th, 2011

SBA implementation by the Member States

Progress and upcoming measures in France



A network of 100 SME territorial correspondents...

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the website 'Les Assises de la simplification - www.pme.gov.fr'. The page title is 'Les correspondants des PME'. The main content area features a map of France with numbered regions, representing the 100 SME territorial correspondents. The left sidebar contains navigation menus for 'Recherche', 'Les Assises de la simplification', 'Espace thématique', and 'Espace pratique'. The bottom of the browser window shows the Windows taskbar with various open applications and the system clock at 15:24.

- Set up on January 27th 2011

- Missions:

- be of service to entrepreneurs, their projects and their needs

- orient them

- interface with the SME Envoy whose authority they are under

- Immersion experiences within 5 to 10 companies.

- Directly accessible on www.pme.gov.fr



... leading to Regional Simplification Hearings

- **570 «simplification meetings» with entrepreneurs in February and March 2011**
- **700 simplification suggestions collected**
- **22 Regional Simplification Hearings, allowing to identify the costliest difficulties for SMEs**



... resulting in the National "Simplification Sittings"

- April 29th 2011, National "Simplification Sittings":

In three months, 80 simplification measures decided; 1 billion Euros of red tape cuts for SMEs

- Certain measures have already been implemented this summer:

Common commencement dates

- Ongoing implementation:

Numerous form suppressions and dematerializations; implementation of the "only once" principle for the electronic safe



Common commencement dates



Common commencement dates for business regulation (1/2)

- Difficulties noted by the entrepreneurs:

Regulation coming into force in a confusing manner

- Simplification implementation

Common dates of entry into force

- Its implementation in France :

Prime Minister's Circular of May 23rd 2011



Common commencement dates for business regulation (2/2)

- **Common commencement dates should be fixed to either January 1st or July 1st each year**
- **Only extraordinary conditions would allow derogation from the exercise as described**

Transposition of directives of the European union

Rapid implementation of measures particularly favorable to businesses

- **Advertising and constant updating of the regulations entering into force at each commencement date would be assured by an official legal website**



Electronic safe



Electronic safe (1/2)

- **Difficulties noted by the entrepreneurs:**

Too many redundant demands are being addressed to the entrepreneurs by the administrations who do not sufficiently exchange information

- **Simplification implementation:**

A secure digital data base infrastructure that the company opens to the public sphere should be set up together with an associated harmonization plan of administrative definitions



Electronic safe (2/2)

- **Ongoing progress**

Definition rationalization used by the public sector; alignment of definitions to the data that the companies use for their daily management

Setting up of a secure platform for company data access

- **Objective : 2012**





Thank you for your attention !

