### Allianz 🕕 Riviera

## Press kit



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## Allianz Riviera

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#### 01 ALLIANZ RIVIERA

## The stadium fact sheet



Allianz Riviera, designed by the worldrenowned architect Jean-Michel Wilmotte, has opened its doors in 2013 with the city of Nice as the main driver, and with the strong commitment of Allianz as naming partner.

The 36,178 seats arena has already contributed to the extraordinary evolution of its resident club, OGC Nice, through the quality of the equipment and the fans experience. Directly connected to the Nice Côte d'Azur International airport by tramway, it has also reaffirmed its multifunctional purpose by hosting the UEFA Euro 2016™, the FIFA Women's Football World Cup France 2019™, the 3rd stage departure of the 2020 Tour de France, the 2022 Top 14 semifinals, numerous International matches both in football and rugby, big concerts, exhibitions, and seminars. The stadium is now getting ready to host, the Mylene Farmer concert in July 2023, the Rugby World Cup in September 2023, and the 2024 Olympic Games.

The stadium is the first structuring project of the Eco Valley of the Var Plain, declared Project of National Interest. The neighborhood grows daily on the grounds of ecoefficiency and becomes the heart of a flourishing activity:

- Allianz Riviera houses the offices of its operating company, Nice Eco Stadium, as well as those of the architect Wilmotte & Associés, the Allianz start-up Accelerator and the local My Coach.
- Located in the base of the stadium is **the** National Sports Museum with one of the biggest collections of sports objects and documents. Presented through 4 challenges, the permanent collection has treasures such as the skis belonging to Jean-Claude Killy, the boxing outfit of Marcel Cerdan, the first bicycle forks or Yannick Noah's tennis racket.
- $\rightarrow$ In the immediate vicinity, the **Nice Valley** commercial center and the **Ikea** store with its associated housing program truly make this zone a living space.

#### 01 ALLIANZ RIVIERA

# A stadium with award-winning architecture



Allianz Riviera has been a recipient of **The International Architecture Awards in 2014.** This awards program is organized its year by the Chicago Architecture and Design Museum. This prize has rewarded the work of the Architecture agency Wilmotte & Associés which has strived to diversify its know-how: **the stadium is unique by its beauty, but also by the ecofriendly excellence** it demonstrates, thus perfectly fitting the Eco Valley. Bold creativity and operational strength make up this architectural asset, now a true Nice totem:

- The transparency of the building's envelope erases the limit between the inside and the outside giving the stadium a soothing atmosphere.
- Inspired by the Anglo-saxon « cauldrons », the entire stadium provides an incredible view of the pitch to everyone's delight.
- The indoor esplanade allows the fans to move freely throughout the stadium while always having a view of the pitch.
- Modularity is everywhere from the competition zone to the pitch or the lounges, to meets the highest professional demands.

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## The stadium in numbers









**10,000 m<sup>2</sup>** OF RECEPTION AREAS (44 sky boxes and 9 lounges)

6 km

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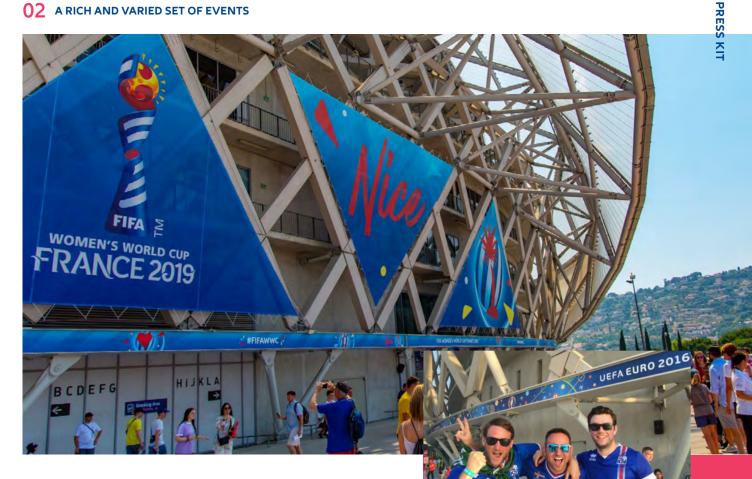




## A rich and varied set of events

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#### 02 A RICH AND VARIED SET OF EVENTS



### A stadium hosting exceptional events



Allianz Riviera has enabled the city of Nice to enter a new sports era with the organization of truly global events.

For the UEFA Euro 2016, 4 games were played in the stadium, including the memorable England vs. Iceland in the round of 16. During the FIFA 2019 Women's World Cup, 6 games took place here, among which the exciting France vs Norway. The stadium was televised in 120 countries during the Grand Departure of the 2020 Tour de France. This summer, rugby was celebrated with the Top 14 semifinals. Allianz Riviera will continue to shine in the following years as the Rugby World Cup will make a stop in Nice in September 2023, and last, but not least the **Olympics** will make an appearance in the stadium in July 2024.

#### **02** A RICH AND VARIED SET OF EVENTS



## A venue that lives in tune with its resident-club

Allianz Riviera's resident club, the Olympic Gymnast Club of Nice, was created in 1904 as a gymnastics club. In the 50s, it experienced a football/soccer golden era with 4 French championship wins. The following decades were made of great joys and great sorrows: a beautiful victory in the Coupe de France, but also some relegations. From 1927 to 2013, the Eaglets have played in the Léo Lagrange stadium, known as the « Stade du Ray ». They are based since September 2013 in Allianz Riviera which served as an accelerator of the sports project. Along with 2 successive Europa League participations in 2016 and 2017, a new state-of-the-art training center inaugurated at the end of 2017, the takeover of the club by the British group Ineos during the summer of 2019, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Europa League participation in 2020 and the Coupe de France Final in 2022, the club has entered a new era.

### Other sporting events regularly take place throughout the seasons





Since its opening in 2013, Allianz Riviera has been keen to host great sporting events.

The Nice fans have seen gala games such as the one opposing OGC Nice to FC Barcelona in 2014 or Chelsea vs. Inter Milano in 2018. Between 2013 and 2016. the stadium has also vibrated to the rhythm of RC Toulon's rugby games - the European game vs Cardiff in 2014 was particularly memorable. The stadium has also turned itself in a luxurious training ground before major International events - the Azzurri in 2017 played against Uruguay, the French national rugby team faced Scotland in 2019, and the French football/soccer national team came 4 times, the last one being in June 2021 against Wales.





#### 02 A RICH AND VARIED SET OF EVENTS

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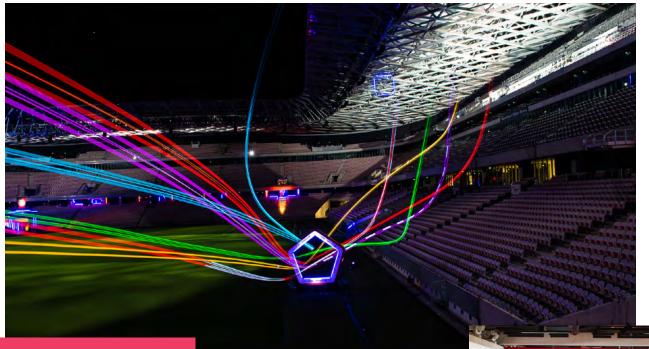


It all started with Nitro Circus Motor Mayhem in 2015, with the legendary Travis Pastrana, and the biggest global freestyle motocross and BMX stars, driving crazy motorized machines propelled to stratospheric heights. After a painful cancellation in the aftermath of the 2016 events, it was time for music and celebration in 2017 with Celine Dion's exceptional tour, 8 years after the last one in Europe. In 2018, not one, but two world-class artists transformed the stadium in a technological UFO: vertical orchestra on stage, endless podiums advancing through the audience, secret hatches,



pyrotechnics show and flying stage across the 2 prosceniums. 2023 will be the year of great concerts by amazing artists such as the iconic French performer Mylène Farmer. The venue, as a true chameleon, can also offer intimate atmospheres during the musical showcases of French artists.

## The stadium becomes a part of local life with smaller events and visits



Allianz Riviera shows its modularity through its capacity to host other events such as seminars and conventions in its 10,000m<sup>2</sup> reception areas.



There are about a hundred events in the stadium throughout the year – conferences and dayretreats, TV series and cinema filming, an international drone race, exhibitions both for a professional audience and for the public, and numerous team buildings whether in the form of an Escape Game or more classical activities. Allianz Riviera can also be visited by groups, families, schools, or tourists. Every year for the European

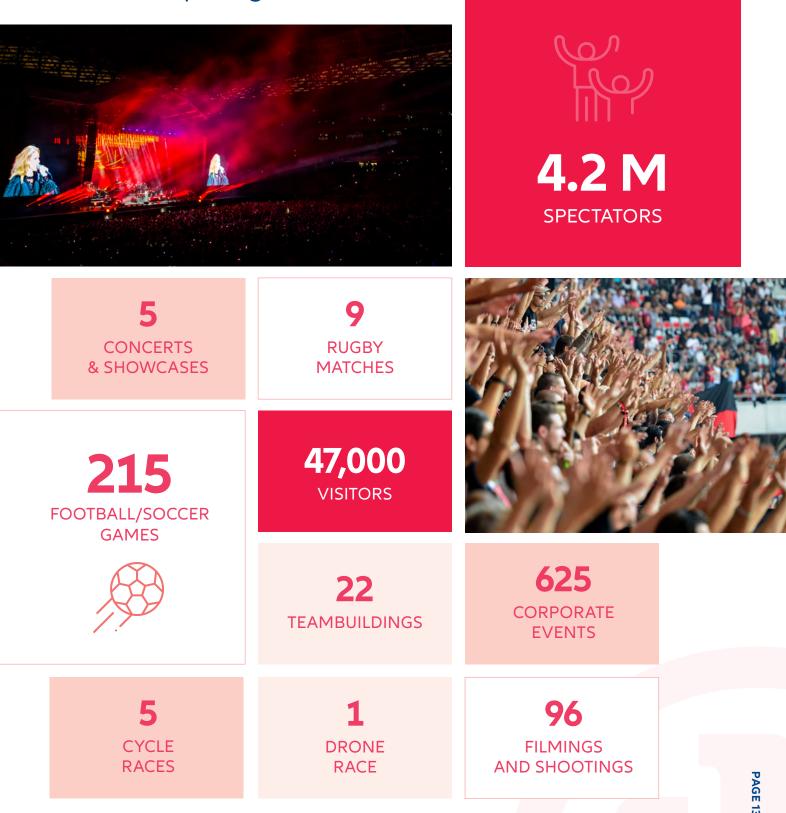




Heritage days the stadium opens its doors for all the inquisitive for whom Allianz Riviera has become a symbol of the city of Nice. 02 A RICH AND VARIED SET OF EVENTS

## The numbers outlining this dense activity

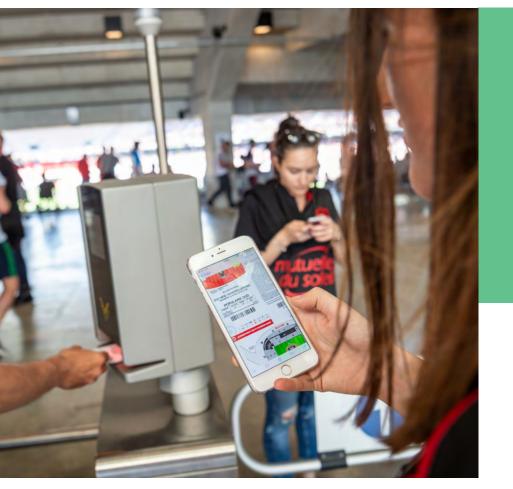
Since the opening of the stadium:



## Fan experience as a constant priority

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### Digital technology and connectivity to engage the fans



Allianz Riviera differentiates itself from other sporting venues and retain spectators by offering a serene, entertaining, and fluid fan experience. Each moment of the journey is designed to make life easier and as entertaining as possible.

These services rely on several technical tools: an innovating **ticketing** software, an **app** with constantly evolving functionalities, a highly performing **HD WIFI** infrastructure and a tried **4G** connectivity.

- → The ticket purchasing process is constantly improved through the addition of a cancellation insurance, the possibility to split costs or even the payment security.
- Stadium access is facilitated through practical information communicated on the stadium media, the detailed maps directly embedded on mobile phone and the link with Waze reporting closed roads on matchdays.
- Onsite geolocalization allows for easily finding food stands, pre-game animations or merchandising points.
- No need to wait in line for food at half-time with in-seat order and delivery. It is even possible to pre-order the day before the event for extra peace of mind.



## Joint and productive efforts on accessibility

By constantly working with local authorities, the stadium accessibility is becoming an asset.

The arrival of the tramway at the end of 2019 has put the finishing touches to a wide **public transportation offer.** The city-center is directly accessible by train (Chemins de Fer de Provence), by bus (Line 95) and by tramway. For those living outside of Nice, the proximity with the A8 highway allows for an ideal access to the **peripheral parking lots** (PMIN and P5 Arboras) connected to the stadium through free-of-charge shuttles. The



mild climate of Côte d'Azur spurs the strong use of motorcycles which have a dedicated access and parking facility onsite. During the Top 14 semifinals, the City



of Nice has implemented a **green track** for bicycles.

Big cultural events or exceptional sporting events draw a different audience, often coming from outside the county. To allow for a more serene and efficient exit after the event for all 35,000 spectators, the stadium has worked with a specialized agency to **model the pedestrian and traffic flow.** 

## A wide range of services



An event at Allianz Riviera goes beyond just a match or a concert.

Several hours before kick-off, various animations await the spectators, as well as food solutions and innovative services. The stadium's team has worked with the Ligue Nationale de Rugby on a brand new fan zone located in front of the National Sports Museum for the 2022 Top 14 Semifinals.



Allianz Riviera is a meeting point for all fans, whoever they are. Families are welcome with kids dedicated activities for each OGC Nice game. VIP guests can improve their business and invite clients. prospects, or employees to facilitate the development of their activity through high-end catering, animations in lounges, as well as privileged accesses thanks to exclusive "Inside" programs developed with the organizers. Last, all the food stands, ticket counters and areas allow disabled public to fully enjoy the events. On big events, a dedicated team is there to orientate them around and inside the stadium.





#### **03** FAN EXPERIENCE AS A CONSTANT PRIORITY

## Differentiating numbers





#### **40** MINUTES

TO ACCESS THE STADIUM FROM THE PORT

#### **3** HOURS

BEFORE KICK-OFF THE ONSITE ENTERTAINMENT BEGINS

#### 400 BICYCLES

ARRIVED AT THE STADIUM USING THE TOP 14 GREEN TRACK

131

**DISABLED SEATS** 

IN ALL SECTORS OF THE STADIUM

#### 10,000

PEOPLE AT THE SAME TIME IN THE TOP 14 FAN ZONE

9 FOOD TRUCKS ON THE TOP 14 ESPLANADE AND FAN ZONE

**18** FOOD STANDS IN THE STADIUM

CONNECTION OF **1** GIGABIT/ SECOND

## Strong commitments towards sustainable development

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### Charter of environmentally responsible commitments as roadmap

In relation to and as follow up on the stadium's DNA – a model of green building, sustainable development remains a strong preoccupation linked with the localization in the Eco valley. Allianz Riviera has signed, in June 2018, the **environmentally responsible charter for largescale sports facilities** and venues initiated by the Ministry of Sports and WWF.





"We, the managers of large-scale sports facilities and venues, undertake to make every effort to achieve the following 15 objectives, Committed facility

the responsibility for which comes with the use of our facilities, both when sporting events are being hosted and in their day-to-day management (but not including construction and investment in facilities)."

- → A minimum of 50% **sustainable food**
- → A minimum of 80% of journeys made using active mobility, public transport, or car sharing
- → 80% of purchases made using "sustainable procurement" selection criteria
- → 15% reduction in waste and 40% of waste reused, recycled, or recovered, 60% of food waste processed as bio-waste
- → 100% respect for natural sites and green areas and/or 1 scheme promoting **biodiversity**
- → 100% of energy and water consumption controlled and optimized
- → 25% renewable or reused energy
- → 100% of events and services offered to provide an equivalent level of service for the disabled

- → 1 scheme promoting access for the disadvantaged
- → (At least) 1 "environmentally responsible" innovation tested
- → 1 scheme centered on social involvement
- → 1 scheme conducive to identifying and encouraging dialogue with the region's stakeholders
- → (At least) 1 commitment to supporting a good cause
- → (At least) 1 initiative to promote equality and combat discrimination
- → 1 action plan for the responsible management of facilities
- → 1 plan for raising awareness of environmental responsibility

**04** STRONG COMMITMENTS TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

## Strong points for the stadium

Among the 15 commitments of the ecoresponsible charter, Allianz Riviera stands out on 4 strong points: energy and fluid control, waste management, regional anchoring, and supporting a good cause.

#### → CONTROLLED ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Thanks to its eco-design, the stadium controls its energy consumption. The European designed photovoltaic roof using the EDF solution AlkoSolar helps reduce the electrical bill of the stadium. The **geothermal heat pumps** retrieve warm water and iced water through heat transfers with the Var Plain groundwater. A system of vents uses the Var Plain winds to cool off the lounges and thus delay the use of airconditioning. Two rooftop-originated rainwater collection reservoirs cover most of the needs for pitch watering and supply the stadium's restrooms. The stadium has a smart use of water through valve switch-offs in case of electrical over-consumption and green plugs in the restrooms. Last, electrical consumption optimization has been implemented through the Centralized Technical Management of the lighting systems, and through certain initiatives such as the extinction of the LED Allianz Riviera sign at night.



#### → WASTE SORTING AND RECYCLING

Allianz Riviera is keen to optimize sorting and recycling of waste. **Customized receptacles** are available onsite for catering providers and for the public. During the Top 14 Semifinals, **educational actions** - sorting captains and sign spinning animations - were implemented. Fans are asked for all events to use **returnable cups**. Last, the **recovery of unsold sandwiches** has been extended to all Allianz Riviera events.





The stadium is committed since its opening to be an active local player. It has close ties with the Nice Saint Isidore neighborhood council, being located there. Public service events are regularly organized in the stadium in collaboration with the City of Nice. Beside hosting its games, Allianz Riviera works alongside OGC Nice on some societal projects. It also works with other local sports actors - Azur Sport Organization for running as well as the rugby team Stade Niçois and the feminine handball team OGC Nice. Last, Allianz Riviera organizes each year an open house event for the European Heritage days.





#### → SOLIDARITY PROJECTS



Given its place in the heart of Nice inhabitants, Allianz Riviera has an important role to play in solidarity projects. Since 2014, Allianz Riviera is a partner of the Nicebased association Solidarsport which advocates respect in all its forms to local middle schoolers with the help of local companies. The stadium is a partner since 2019 of the association Premiers de cordée, with which it organizes a day dedicated to the happiness of disabled and sick kids.



Allianz Riviera also works on other items of the charter such as sustainable food or active mobility, with the 2024 Olympic Games as the goal.

**04** STRONG COMMITMENTS TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

### The numbers outlining this aspect



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**4,000** SOLAR PANELS, APPROXIMATELY 7,000M<sup>2</sup>

**1,500 000** KWh ANNUALLY GENERATED WITH PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY

40,000 m<sup>3</sup>

OF WATER SAVED PER YEAR THROUGH RAIN WATER COLLECTION

**700** SICK AND DISABLED KIDS INVITED FOR THE 2022 EDITION OF "THE GETAWAY DAY" CLOSE TO **70KG** OF UNSOLD SANDWICHES DURING EACH OGC NICE GAME, DISTRIBUTED TO THE NEEDY PRESS KIT

7,84 TONS OF FOOD WASTE TREATED AS BIO-WASTE

**80%** REUSED, RECYCLED OR RECOVERED WASTE (EXCLUSIVE OF GREEN WASTE)

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## The project



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## Origins of the project



On February 10th, 2021, Nice Eco Stadium signed a public/private partnership contract with the City of Nice for a duration of 30 years, dealing with the design, financing, construction and operation of the Nice stadium.

The total cost of the stadium project is 217.7 M€ excluding tax, of which 60M€ comes from public subsidies (City of Nice, Nice Côte d'Azur Metropole, Alpes-Maritimes Department, South Region and French State).

Nice Eco Stadium is a private company exclusively dedicated to the management of Allianz Riviera. It is owned by 3 shareholders: VINCI Stadium (50%), La Caisse des Dépôts (25%) and SEIEF (25%). VINCI Stadium, subsidiary of VINCI, brings its know-how and expertise to its stadium network: Allianz

NAMING DU STADE DE NICE

Lundi 23 juillet 2012

Riviera in Nice, MMArena in Le Mans, Stade de France in St Denis, and Matmut Atlantique in Bordeaux.

Forerunner of naming in France, Allianz Riviera is a part since 2012 of the Allianz family of stadiums around the world: Allianz Arena (Munich), Allianz Stadium (Sydney), Allianz Park (London), Allianz Parque (Sao Paulo), Allianz Stadion (Vienna), Allianz Stadium (Turino) and, since April 2019, Allianz Field (Minneapolis USA). In January 2021, Allianz announced the renewing of its naming contract in Nice until 2030.

Allianz Riviera is supported by other partners: Würth, GSF, Carlsberg, Mauro, Coca-Cola, Chevron-Villette, ETIC, Team Interim and Champagnes Thomas Cheurlin.

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## Key dates since the opening

#### February 2011

Signature of the public/ private partnership contract

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August 2011

Start of the construction

#### September 2013



Inauguration OGC Nice – Valenciennes

#### October 2013

1<sup>st</sup> RC Toulon rugby game

#### Summer 2014



Opening of the National Sports Museum

#### June 2014

1<sup>st</sup> game of the Football/ Soccer French National team

#### February 2016

Opening of the Nice Valley shopping center

#### June 2016



UEFA Euro

#### July 2017

1<sup>st</sup> concert Céline Dion

#### June 2019



FIFA Women's World Cup

#### August 2019

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1<sup>st</sup> match of the XV of France in Nice

#### August 2020

Departure of the Tour de France 2020 3<sup>rd</sup> stage

#### June 2022

Top 14 Semifinals

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### Quotes



« The choice of Allianz Riviera for Euro 2016, the Women's World Cup, the 1st match of the rugby national team and the many International gala matches confirm that **Nice is a great sports location and that its stadium is now a reference for prestigious games.** A magnificient stadium in which people like to go because the atmosphere there is fantastic. »

**Christian Estrosi,** Mayor of Nice, President of the Nice Côte d'Azur Metropole

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« Here, there is no need to build a stadium and that means a lot. Allianz Riviera is **a beautiful stadium** where families and kids come. »

**Bob Ratcliffe,** President of INEOS Football, owner of OGC Nice « Allianz Riviera is a wonderful tool for the club's project. It is **a place where we share with our fans great moments of emotion. »** 

Jean-Pierre Rivère, President of OGC Nice



« Allianz France is proud to continue a common story with the stadium and its public, built around strong values and shared emotions. »

**Fabien Wathlé,** Managing Director of Allianz France



« Our ambition, beyond welcoming the resident club OGC Nice, is to turn Allianz Riviera into a **day-to-day living space** and to continue to put spectator and citizen satisfaction at **the heart of our concerns and ambitions.** »

Alexandra Boutelier, President of Allianz Riviera



« Consumption patterns evolve. In order to better answer the spectators' expectations, Allianz Riviera aims to **redefine stadium experience using digital tools. »** 

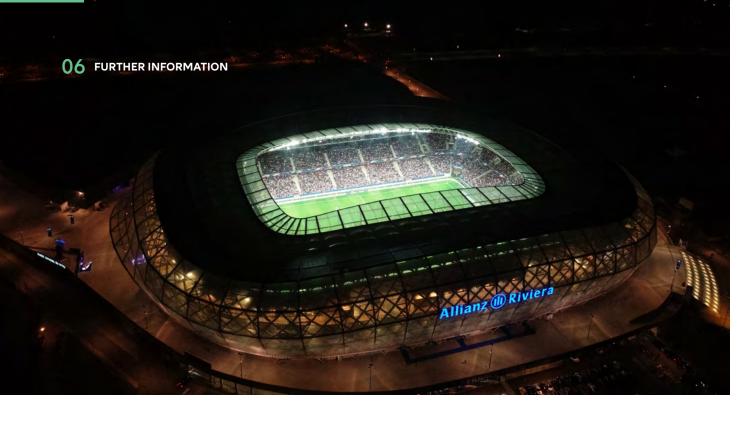
Patrick Florence, Managing Director of Allianz Riviera

## Numbers to grasp the project

	SITE	FRAMEWORK		
	<b>3,000</b> WORKERS IN TOTAL	<b>4,000 M<sup>3</sup></b> OF SPRUCE	54,000 M <sup>2</sup>	
	<b>1.8</b> MILLION HOURS	<b>2,840</b> TONS OF STEEL	SURFACE	
	<b>25</b> MONTHS	<b>40,000</b> HOURS OF WORKSHOP		
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			<b>8</b> ALLIANZ STADIUMS IN 8 COUNTRIES AND 3 CONTINENTS	PAGE 28
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# Further information





#### → Event videos

https://www.allianz-riviera.fr/en/video

#### → Photos

Accessible in the press section of the website: https://www.allianz-riviera.fr/en/presse

#### → Internet websites

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