
Abbreviations and acronyms

£	British pound (GBP)
€	euro
ANVAR	French innovation agency (now incorporated into OSEO)
BERD	business expenditure on research and development
BERR	Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform (UK) (now replaced by BIS)
BIS	Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (UK)
C\$	Canadian dollar (CAD)
CIR	French research tax credit
DKK	Danish krone
DoD	Department of Defense (US)
ESA	European Space Agency
EU	European Union
EUREKA	intergovernmental organisation for pan-European R&D funding
GDP	gross domestic product
GERD	gross expenditure on research and development
GVA	gross value added
HRST	human resources in science and technology
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
IT	information technology
KIBS	knowledge-intensive business services
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration (US)
NOK	Norwegian krone
NTBF	new technology-based firms
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OSEO	French organisation for growth and innovation in SMEs
R&D	research and development
RDA	Regional Development Agency (UK) (abolished 2012)
RDI	research, development and innovation
SBDC	Small Business Development Center (US)
SBIR	Small Business Innovation Research (US)
SME	small and medium-sized enterprise
STI	science, technology and innovation
Tekes	Finnish Funding Agency for Innovation
TRL	technology readiness level
UI	university–industry
US\$	United States dollar (USD)