

# Trust in Governance and Regulation in Europe

A brief introduction to the TiGRE Project

The TiGRE consortium comprises nine top-level universities and research centres and one SME from nine different countries, bringing together a set of excellent international scholars with complementary and interdisciplinary competences.



**Why Tigre?** /// Citizens and public authorities need to trust regulatory regimes that their interests are safeguarded in terms of data and privacy protection, financial stability or product safety for instance. An optimal level of trust is required for the well-functioning of regulatory regimes, which operate across different levels of governance for carrying out regulatory policies. TiGRE investigates under which conditions regulatory regimes are trusted by analyzing the relationships between the involved actors.

**TiGRE objectives and impacts** /// TiGRE aims to provide a comprehensive view of trust dynamics within regulatory regimes and understand their drivers as well as their political and socio-economic effects. TiGRE will connect research with practice by providing policy-makers and stakeholders with recommendations to optimize trust relationships within regulatory governance and thus improve the quality of democracy.

**TiGRE Analytical Framework** /// TiGRE explores trust relationships at different levels of governance such as regional, national and European and in three high value sectors: Food Safety, Finance and Communication & Data protection. TiGRE will target a broad range of regulatory actors by using a plethora of methods, including questionnaires for large-scale surveys, case studies, focus groups, experimental studies and media content analysis.

