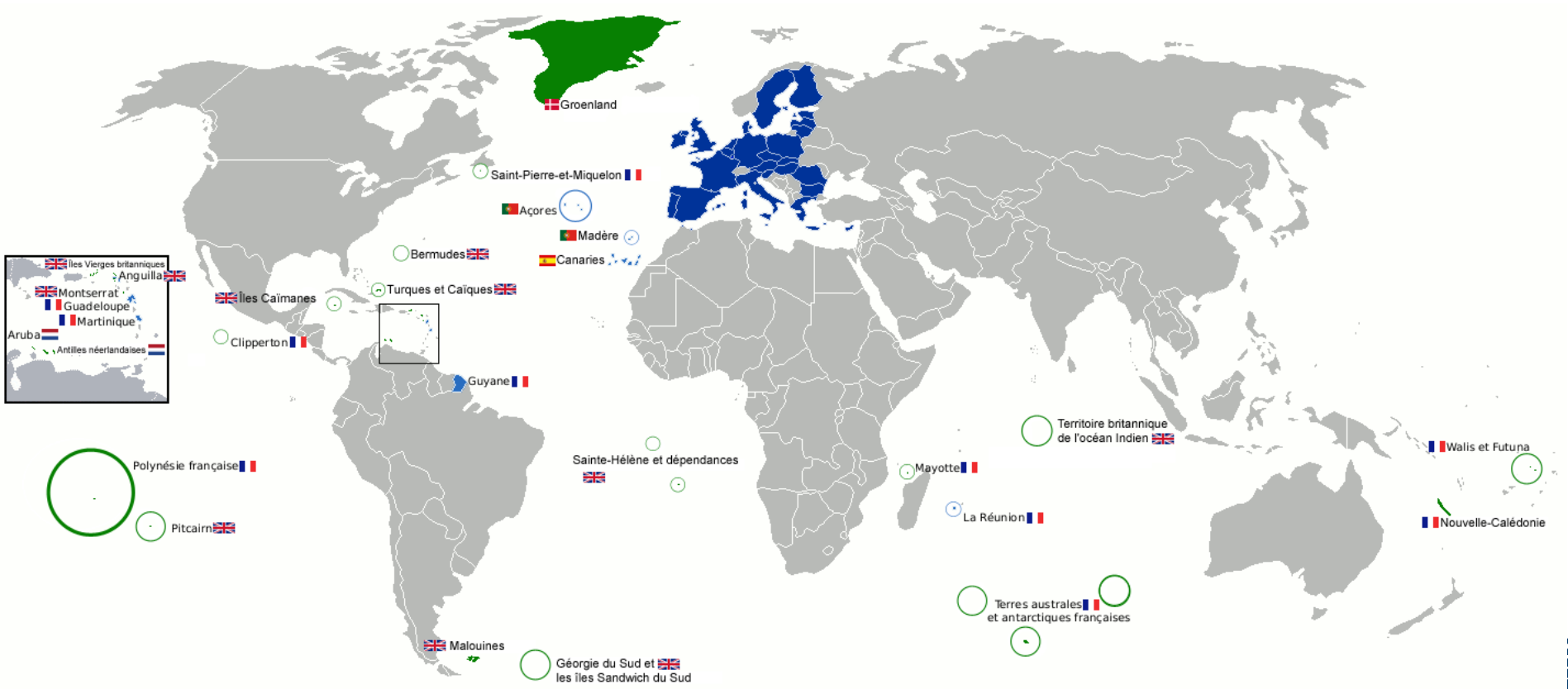




A global dimension of the European Maritime Policy the Outermost region perspective



Background



Strength of Outermost Regions

- **Sectoral development and leadership** (f.e. renewable energy in Réunion)
- **Key player in and for Europe** (f.e. telescope in Canaries or space in Guyana)
- **Position the EU internationally**
 - Link to Africa (Macaronesia)
 - Link to US (Açores)
 - Link through culture (Portuguese speaking countries)



Conclusion

- **Barroso II agenda: smart, sustainable and inclusive growth**
- **Outermost Regions 2020 (27/28 May)**
- **Bring the other 24 Member States along with us**

