



**Acronym:** CSE  
**Full Name:** Centre de Suivi Ecologique (Ecological Monitoring Center)  
**Website:** [www.cse.sn](http://www.cse.sn)  
**Established:** 1986  
**Location:** Dakar, Senegal

**Areas of expertise:** Collection, capture, processing, analysis and dissemination of data and information resources natural in the territory of Senegal, using space technology.

**Main Partners and collaborations:** European Space Agency, International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Agricultural Research for Development CIRAD.

### **Short Description:**

The Centre de Suivi Ecologique (CSE) was created in 1986 by the Senegalese government with the support of the United Nations Program for the South Sahara Region (UNSO) and the funding of the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA). The creation of this center obeyed to the necessity to study the desertification in the region, to provide data and information for natural resources and mainly to monitor Biomass.

Today, the Centre is an association subordinated to the Ministry of Environment and Conservation of Senegal and groups the Senegalese State, the funds of PNUD/UNSO, the private sector, local collectivities and the personal of the Centre.

### **Main activities:**

To achieve its mandate the Centre de Suivi Ecologique has a professional staff of forty experts, engineers and technicians, working in very diverse areas built into departments: geomatics, environmental watch the natural resource management and environmental assessment, information and training. Its strategy and activities is based on high technology in computer and geomatic, dynamic national and international partnership and strategic marketing.

The main activities developed by the departments are land use occupation mapping for environmental inventories, environmental long term monitoring, GIS and EIS development, accomplishment of studies ordered by partners, contribution to the implementation of the diverse international conventions, capacities development of the local partners through training.

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