ANTARES, a large scale deep sea neutrino telescope

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The main goal of the ANTARES telescope is the detection of cosmic neutrinos in the TeV range with an unprecedented pointing accuracy. As a first step towards a larger scale detector, a 3-dimensionnal array of 1000 photomultipliers will be deployed, during the three coming years, at 2400m depth in the Mediterranean Sea off Toulon (France). This will result, for high energy muon neutrinos, in an active area of one tenth of a kilemetre square and a solid angle of 2 π steradian. The progress status and the expected performances of the detector will be reported.