

Michel CAMDESSUS

Former Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, Mr Camdessus is Honorary Governor of Banque de France.

He is the Personal Representative of President Chirac for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD).

He is a member of the Commission for Africa, chaired by the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair.

Mr Camdessus was the Chairman of the World Panel on Financing Water Infrastructure (report: "Financing Water for All" - Kyoto-March 2003).

He is the Chairman of the Semaines Sociales de France, a very active association for popular education based on the Social Christian teaching.

He is also a member of the Pontifical Commission "Justice and Peace" in the Vatican.

He has been appointed as the Chairman of the French Government working group in charge of preparing the economic, social and structural policies reform, which has produced a key report "le Sursaut - Vers une Nouvelle Croissance pour la France" (La Documentation France, Paris - 2004)

Mr. Camdessus was born in Bayonne, France, on May 1, 1933. French national, he is married to Brigitte d'Arcy; they have six children.

Mr. Camdessus was educated at the University of Paris and earned postgraduate degrees in economics at the Institute of Political Studies of Paris (Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris) and the National School of Administration (ENA).

Following his appointment as Administrateur Civil in the French Civil Service, Mr. Camdessus joined the Treasury in the Ministry of Finance in 1960. After serving as Financial Attaché to the French delegation at the European Economic Community in Brussels from 1966 to 1968, he returned to the Treasury and went on to become Assistant Director in 1971, Deputy Director in 1974, and Director in February 1982. During the period 1978-84, Mr. Camdessus also served as Chairman of the Paris Club, and was Chairman of the Monetary Committee of the European Economic Community from December 1982 to December 1984. In August 1984, Mr. Camdessus was appointed Deputy Governor of the

Bank of France, and was appointed Governor of the Bank of France in November 1984. He served in this capacity until his election as Managing Director of the IMF.

Michel Camdessus was elected as Managing Director and Chairman of the Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on January 16, 1987. On May 22, 1996, the Executive Board of the IMF unanimously selected Mr. Camdessus to serve a third five-year term as Managing Director, beginning January 16, 1997. He was the seventh Managing Director of the IMF. Mr. Camdessus retired from the IMF on February 14, 2000.

He is the author of several books:

- “Notre foi dans ce siècle” (Michel Albert, Jean Boissonnat et Michel Camdessus - Editions Arléa-2002)
- “Eau” (Bertrand Badré, Michel Camdessus, Ivan Chéret, Pierre-Frédéric Ténrière-Buchot - Editions Robert Laffont-2004)
- “Le sursaut - Vers une nouvelle croissance pour la France” (Editions La Documentation Française-2004)
- “Lettre ouverte aux candidats à l’élection présidentielle (Editions Bayard-2006)