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Experts from France

Mr Lucien Chabason

President of the Blue Plan for the Mediterranean and Associate Director IDDRI

Born in 1941 in Paris (France), Lucien Chabason, Former Coordinator of the Mediterranean Action Plan (UNEP) in Athens from 1994 to 2003, studied law, economics and sociology at the University of Paris before entering the Ecole Nationale d'Administration (1968). Presently, he is Associate Director, IDDRI(Paris) and President of the Blue Plan for the Mediterranean.

He followed environmental issues in the Prime Minister's Office, then was the Division Head for land and landscape planning in the Ministry of Environment (1978-1984) and the Director of the Research Division (1984-1988). Between 1988 and 1990, Lucien Chabason was Director of the office of the Minister of Environment and the person in charge of the preparation of the Green Plan for France, adopted by the Government in 1991. He was an expert to OECD for the evaluation of environmental performance of Portugal, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, Denmark, Ireland, Poland, Czech Republic and Switzerland.

Finally, he has been Professor of Environmental Policy at the Political Studies Institute of Paris(Sciences-Po) since 2004.

Mr Michel Derdevet

Executive Director in charge of Communications and Public Affairs of RTE (Réseau de Transport d'Electricité)

Graduated top of his class at Montpellier I Faculty of Law and holds an Executive MBA from HEC International Business School. After holding several posts of responsibility in the offices of government ministers, he spent the majority of his career from 1985 onwards working for EDF, before moving to RTE upon its creation in 2000. He is currently Executive Director in charge of Communications and Public Affairs of RTE (Réseau de Transport d'Electricité), the company responsible for the French electricity transmission grid.

Mr. Derdevet is senior lecturer at the Paris Institute of Political Studies (IEP, where he teaches a class entitled "Europe and Business"), and is the author of a number of publications, including "Power Networks at the Heart of Industrial Civilization" (Timée, 2007), and "Europe out of Energy: the Case for a Genuine Common Energy Policy (Descartes, May 2009).

Mr Jean Pierre Hauet

Former Chief Technology Officer of the ALSTOM Group – President KB Intelligence

Born in 1945, JeanPierre Hauet is graduate from Ecole Polytechnique and from Ecole des Mines de Paris.

He occupied several positions in the French Administration, notably as member of the cabinet of the Secretary of State for Energy. He joined Alcatel Alsthom in 1979 as COO of Noveler, a company specialized in new forms of energy. In 1984, he was appointed CEO of Laboratoires de Marcoussis, the Corporate Research Center of Alcatel. In 1988, he joined Cegelec as General Manager of the Products and Technology Branch. In 1993, he became Senior Advisor to the Chairman for technical matters. He joined ALSTOM in 1998 as Senior Vice President and Chief technology Officer. Since 2002, he has been one of the two associates of KB Intelligence, a French company specialized in information identification, collection and processing, particularly in high added value sectors such as energy, financial and industrial computing. JeanPierre Hauet is a recognized specialist in the energy and the automation fields. He is the author of numerous publications and was awarded the “Grand Prix de l’Energie of the Société Générale” (awarded by Professor Néel, Nobel Prize in Physics). More details on www.hauet.com.

Mr Sylvain Hercberg

Director of Prospective, EDF Prospective and International Affairs Division

Was appointed as Director of Prospective, EDF Prospective and International Affairs Division, on September 2005.

He has previously worked as Senior Adviser, Office of the President (2000-2005), Deputy Head of the Prospective Department with the EDF General Management (1998-2000), Senior Adviser Economy and Strategy with the Environment Department (1995-1998) and has held several positions both at corporate level and in operational business units since joining EDF in 1977.

He graduated as Aeronautics and Space Engineer from Ecole Nationale Supérieure de l’Aéronautique et de l’Espace (1974), Doctorate in Electronics and Automatic Systems from Université Paul Sabatier de Toulouse (1975), and PhD in Sociology from the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales - Paris (1983).

He is author of articles and publications on various subjects including the Environment, Sustainable Development, Energy policy, Purchasing Activities.

Mr Hervé Lainé

General Engineer, Bridges, Water and Forests French Ministry of Ecology, Energy, Sustainable Development and the Sea.

Has been in charge of different management responsibilities in the French administration, in the fields of infrastructures, urban planning, housing and environment, as well for international issues as in several large companies. He has also been a consultant for UNIDO and has led several associations involved in international development, mainly in the fields of water, energy and food.

He is now a permanent member of the General Council for Environment and Sustainable development, in which he is in charge of international issues, in particular for sustainable development in the Mediterranean area. He is responsible for the implementation of the French-Israeli cooperation agreement in the field of ecology, water and energy.

In addition, he is a UNESCO expert and president of two NGO's, dedicated to professional ethics in the public sector and in the private business sector.

Mr Philippe Lambert

Contributor to Passages on Communication & partnerships.

Graduated from McGill University in Canada, Sciences Po (school of political science) in Paris and the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales in Paris.

His career has mainly focused on energy economics, communications, external affairs & media, and political analysis.

He worked as a journalist for the International Herald Tribune, and for Oil & Gas publications before joining the French Ministry of Industry's energy outlook team.

Philippe Lambert worked 25 years for BP, mainly in communications, planning & control.

He now contributes to Passages on Communication & partnerships.

Mr Benoit Lefevre

PhD, Economist at Iddri, Sciences Po University

Is a researcher in economics at the Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (Iddri), Sciences Po University in Paris since January 2009, in charge of developing research and think tank activities regarding urban issues.

His research focuses on urban transport – land use interactions and urban spatial structure dynamics, urban energy systems and policies, real-estate and housing markets, urban energy modelisation and prospective, tools to integrate climate change issues into urban planning, and cities' participation in carbon markets and post-Kyoto negotiations.

He received his PhD degree in Economics from École des Mines de Paris (Paristech - ENSMP). He carried out his post-doctorate in the Centre for Energy, SIPA, Columbia

University (New York) and was invited as a visiting scholar to the Transportation Center, University of California, Berkeley.

He currently teaches in the Master of International Affairs program at the Institute of Political Studies of Paris (Sciences Po Paris) and in the Master AMUR at École Nationale des Ponts (ParisTech - ENPC).

He has also carried out research contracts funded by the French National Centre of Scientific Research (CNRS), Veolia Transport, the French Ministry of Ecology and Sustainable Development (MEDD), OECD and the World Bank, and provided research support on urban transportation and energy efficiency issues to the French Development Agency (AFD), the French Agency for the Environment and Energy Management (ADEME), and SCE-CREOCEAN, a consulting agency in Bangalore, India.

Mr Emile H. Malet

Director of the magazine Passages and Director of ADAPes

Born in Algeria, Emile Malet has been living in France since 1960. He holds qualifications in dental surgery, dental science and economics, including 2 doctorates. After 6 years practice in dentistry, he started out in 1974 on a new career in journalism. He worked for some 10 years in Les Nouvelles Litteraires, Le Quotidien du Medecin, Le Quotidien de Paris, including as head of the political department. In 1987 he founded Passages journal and became the scientific director of ADAPES Association , which organizes seminars in economics, foreign policy, health and psychoanalysis. He is co-founder of the French Journal of Psychiatry. Since 2003, he has organized the World Forum for Sustainable Development, FMDD. He has published articles in a wide range of French and foreign media and journals, including Le Monde, Paris Match, Frankfurter Zeitung Allgemeine, Al Ahram and the European. He has published several books, including:

- Socrate et la rose, les intellectuels et le pouvoir socialiste (éditions Le Quotidien, 1982)
- Adresse sur l'immigration aux bonnes âmes de droite et aux belles consciences de gauche (éditions Clims-Denoel 1987)
- Al Quaïda contre le Capitalisme, religion et domination (PUF - 2004)
- Mobilités et Vie Contemporaine (édition Champs social, 2006)
- Le capitalisme contre le monde (éditions du Cerf 2009)

Mr Malet has edited several books, including:

- Résistance et Mémoire, d'Auschwitz à Sarajevo (éditions Hachette 1994)
- Xénophobie (éditions Passages - Unesco, 1996)

Mr Philippe Thiébaud

Directeur des Biens Publics Mondiaux aux Ministère Français des Affaires étrangères et européennes

Graduated in 1980 in Political Science and embarked on a career in Foreign Affairs. Following appointments in the Foreign Service in Mexico, at the European Commission in Brussels and in London, he was appointed Deputy Director of the department for Atomic and Space in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and later Deputy Director of the department for Strategic Affairs, Security and Disarmament. Following 4 years in the French Permanent Mission to the UN in New York, Philippe Thiébaud was appointed Director of International Relations in the Atomic Energy Commission and later served as Ambassador to South Korea before his current appointment, since May 2010, as Director of Global Public Goods in the Directorate of Globalization and Partnerships, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In 1994, he was awarded the National Order of Merit.