

Louis Schweitzer

Former General Commissioner for Investment, France



Former General Commissioner for Investment appointed by the French President and Chairman of the French council of foreign affairs and special representative of the French Foreign Minister for Japan. He is also Chairman of Initiative France, an association dedicated to the creation of small businesses. He serves on the board of Veolia Environnement, as well as on the board of a number of not-for-profit institutions.

Formerly he was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Renault from May 1992 to April 2005 and Chairman of the board from 2005 to 2009. During his tenure he was also President of the Management board of Renault Nissan BV from 2002 to 2005.

Louis Schweitzer joined Renault in May 1986. He became Chief Financial Officer and Executive VicePresident in 1988, President and Chief Operating Officer in December 1990.

He was from 2005 to 2010, Chairman of the French high authority to fight discrimination and promote equality.

He was also Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the French newspaper *Le Monde* from 2009 to 2011, Chairman of AstraZeneca from 2005 to 2012 and of AB Volvo from 2010 to 2012.

Formerly, he was a Civil Servant at the Budget Department then served for five years as chief of staff of Laurent Fabius, who was Minister of Budget in 1981, Minister for Industry and Research in 1983, and Prime Minister from 1984 to 1986.

Louis Schweitzer holds a Master's degree in Law and studied at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris. He carried on as a student at the Ecole Nationale d'Administration from which he graduated in 1970 as *Inspecteur des finances*.

Louis Schweitzer was born in July 1942 in Geneva (Switzerland). He married Agnès, a lawyer, in 1972 and they have two daughters.