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Jean-Christophe Bas is the Founder and **CEO of The Global Compass** www.theglobalcompass.net . The Global Compass provides expertise and assistance to Governments, Inter Governmental Organizations, public entities and corporate sector to promote pluralism, cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue, education for democratic citizenship and participation. In that capacity, he is spearheading the creation of the **Global Connectors Peace Initiative**. He is also a **senior Advisor, strategic development and partnerships, of Agence Publics**, a leading worldwide communication firm.

Prior to this, he served as **Director of Democratic Citizenship and Participation** at the **Council of Europe**, running a team of 160 staff dedicated to foster democratic competences, participation and citizenship.

From 2008 to 2014, he served at the **United Nations Alliance of Civilizations** in New York as **deputy Director, Strategic Development and Partnerships**. In that capacity, he has designed and developed innovative public-private partnership solutions to promote intercultural understanding , particularly the Intercultural Innovation Award with the BMW Group, and the World campaign “Do One Thing for Diversity and Inclusion” with the main IT companies in the Silicon Valley and 150 Organizations around the world. He also spearheaded the development of the UN Alliance of Civilizations in Asia and the Pacific.

From 1999 to 2008, he was the **Head of Development Policy Dialogue** at the **World Bank**, where he created and developed the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and the IMF, a world Organization of more than 1000 legislators around the world champions in international development and good governance.

He was the first **Executive Director of the Aspen Institute France** (1994-1999), chaired by former French Prime Minister Raymond Barre. He is currently a **member of the executive board of the Aspen Institute in France**.

He has published **EUROPE A LA CARTE** (Editions du Cherche Midi) a book of reflection on European identity, and **ME WE US** (Chic Media Editions) with a foreword by Ban Ki moon.

Jean-Christophe has been **traveling and working in approximately 100 countries around the world** and is regularly invited to give speeches and to participate in Forum on issues related to multiculturalism and identity; democracy and governance; cultural diversity and inclusion; responsible leadership and global affairs...

He is 57 and the proud father of two daughters: Zelda and Apolline who are currently in College in New York (Bard College; Purchase College). He is passionate in contemporary art, books collection, architecture, contemporary dance.