

## Pierre Besnainou

Honorary Chairman of the French Judaism Foundation



Pierre Besnainou started his career first as an entrepreneur in household appliance and then in internet service provider.

### **Since 2001**

#### **Political & Charity**

Pierre Besnainou has mainly devoted his time to the European Jewish community.

- From 2006 to 2014:
  - **President of United Jewish Appeal & President of Unified Jewish Social Fund**  
He worked to reinforce solidarity, to develop identity, to encourage initiatives, to promote unity and to strengthen the links with Israel
  - **President of French Judaism Foundation**
- From 2005 to 2007: **President of the European Jewish Congress**

He is also member of:

- **the Board of Governors at the Shimon Peres Center for Peace**
- **the Weisman Institute France**

#### **Business**

Pierre Besnainou has invested in European countries (France, Brussels, Barcelona, Lisbon) & Israel, mainly in real estate and private equity funds.

Pierre Besnainou was born in Tunis (Tunisia) in 1954. He is married and has three children. He was awarded the "**Ordre national de la Légion d'honneur**" by French President Jacques Chirac.