

Jean-François Copé

Former Minister for the Budget, Mayor of Meaux, Lawyer at Stehlin law firm, France



Jean-François Copé was born on the 5th May 1964 in Boulogne-Billancourt (Hauts-de-Seine). He graduated from Sciences Po in 1987 and ENA in 1989. He was Associate Professor of Economics at Sciences Po and of Public Finances at Paris VIII University.

In 1993, Jean-François Copé became integrated in the Jacques Chirac's economic think-tank, whom he supported his presidential candidacy. In 1995, he became delegate general to the RPR (Rally for the Republic). Then, he was the RPR's national secretary in charge of the economy and also training programs.

Seine-et-Marne's MP from 1995 to 1997 then from 2002 to 2017, he was successively designated Secretary of State for relations with Parliament (2002-2004), delegate Minister of the Interior (2004), delegate Minister for the Budget (2004-2007) and spokesperson of the Government (2002-2007). In 2006, he created his own think-tank: Génération France.

From 2007 to 2011, he worked as a lawyer at Gide Loyrette Nouel law firm. Currently, he is a lawyer at Stehlin law firm.

From 2007 to 2010, he was President of the UMP at the National Assembly and then, chief-administrative officer of the UMP and, finally, UMP's President from 2012 to 2014.

He was elected Mayor of Meaux in 1995 and then reelected in 2001, 2008 and 2014. During these mandates, he had two priorities: urban renewal and security.

Jean-François Copé has a particular interest in Artificial Intelligence. He has co-authored the book "*Would AI also kill democracy?*" with Laurent Alexandre.