

## **Hélène Le Gal**Ambassador of France to Morocco



Graduated from the Institute of Political Studies in 1987, Ambassador Le Gal held many positions in France and abroad. She has dedicated 14 years of her career to Africa, which is a priority of French Diplomacy. She started as a member of the Foreign Service in Ouagadougou in Burkina Faso (1988-1990) before becoming an editor at the Central and Eastern Africa sub-directorate, direction of Africa and the Indian Ocean, part of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1990-1992), she then moved to Financial Affairs in the same Ministry (1992-1994). She worked as a first secretary at the French embassies in Tel Aviv and Madrid (1994-2000) and became a technical advisor to the Minister Delegate for the Cooperation to the Francophonie. From 2002 to 2005, she was a counselor at the Permanent Representation of France to the European Union Parliament in Brussels (Politics and Security committee). She moved back to Africa to be Deputy Director for Central and Eastern Africa at the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs (2005-2009). She was Consul General of France in Quebec City (2009-2012), then Africa Adviser to the Presidency of the Republic (2012-2016) and Ambassador of France to Israel (2016-2019) before coming to Morocco. She is decorated by the French Republic as "Officier de l'Ordre national du mérite et Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur".