

## Pierre Uri, Penser pour l'action [Think to Act]

**Caption:** In his memoirs, Pierre Uri, Member of the French Delegation to the negotiations on the Schuman Plan, recalls the debates on the subject of the new institutions to be created within the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC).

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Both in the conversations that we had amongst ourselves and in those with the representatives of those countries invited to participate, some additions were made to the original plan. The High Authority and a judicial body were already part of it. It was Étienne Hirsch who came up with the name *Community* and a role for a parliamentary body. The Dutch, through Dirk Spierenburg, highlighted the need for a council of ministers to act as a link between the common sectors and those areas that remained part of the national economy and therefore separate. Monnet was annoyed that we had not thought of it ourselves.

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