

Short biography of Jean-Claude Trichet

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- Born on 20 December 1942 in Lyon (F)
- Nationality: French
- Deputy Inspector of Finance (1971–1974)
- Special Adviser at the General Inspectorate of Finance (1974–1975)
- Special Adviser at the Treasury (1975–1976)
- Secretary-General of the Interministerial Committee for Improving Industrial Structures (CIASI) (1976–1978)
- Adviser to the Minister for the Economy on Industrial Affairs (1978)
- Adviser to the French President on Industry, Energy and Research (1978–1981)
- Bureau Chief for Development Aid at the Treasury (1981)
- Deputy Director for Bilateral Affairs at the Treasury (1981–1985)
- Head of the International Affairs Department at the Treasury (1985–1986)
- Chairman of the Paris Club (1985–1993)
- Director of the Private Office of the Minister for the Economy, Finance and Privatisation (1986)
- Director of the Treasury (1987–1993)
- Chairman of the European Monetary Committee (1992–1993)
- Governor of the Banque de France (1993–2003)
- President of the European Central Bank (2003–2011)