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Jean-Claude Trichet is a former President of the European Central Bank, a post that he held from 2003 to 2011. He is currently chairman of the Group of Thirty (a position he has held since 2011) and of the Board of Directors of the Bruegel Institute (since 2012). He is also a member of the Institut de France (Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques).

Born in Lyon, France, in 1942, Mr. Trichet is an honorary Inspecteur général des Finances and Ingénieur civil des Mines. He is a graduate of the Ecole nationale supérieure des Mines de Nancy, of the Institut d'études politiques de Paris, of the Université de Paris (in economics) and of the Ecole nationale d'administration. He has also been awarded honorary doctorates by a number of universities.

In addition to his service as ECB President, Mr. Trichet was Governor of Banque de France (1993–2003) and Undersecretary of the French Treasury (1987–93). He was also President of the Paris Club (1985–93), President of the European Monetary Committee (1992–93), and President of the Group of 10 Central Banks Governors and President of the Global Economy Meeting in Basel (2002–11). He was also the first President of the European Systemic Risk Board (2010).

Mr. Trichet was named Person of the Year by the *Financial Times* in 2007 and Policymaker of the Year by *The International Economy* (twice, in both 1991 and 2007), was on *Newsweek's* “World’s Most Powerful”

list in 2008, and was chosen one of the world's most influential people by *Time* in 2011. He has received a number of other awards, including the 2011 International Charlemagne Prize of Aachen for his contribution to European unity and the 2011 Global Economy Prize from the Kiel Institute for the World Economy.