



Jacques DELORS

Jacques Delors was born in Paris in 1925. After a career at the **Banque de France** (1945-62) he became a member of the Economic and Social Council, then head of service for social affairs of the **General Planning Committee** until 1969, when he was appointed General Secretary for Permanent Training and Social Promotion (1969-73).

From 1969 to 1972, he was **advisor to the Prime Minister**, J. Chaban-Delmas (1969-72) dealing with social and cultural affairs, then economic, financial and social questions.

He was an associated professor at the University of Paris-Dauphine (1974-79) and directed the research centre "Work and Society". From 1973 to 1979 he was a member of the advisory board of the Banque de France. He has also taught at the Ecole Nationale d'Administration.

A member of the **Parti Socialiste** since 1974, and of its Executive Committee (1979), he was elected a Member of the European Parliament in 1979 and was Chairman of the Economic and Monetary Committee until May 1981.

In May 1981, Jacques Delors became the **Minister of Economics and Finance**, a post he held until July 1984.

He was elected as Mayor of Clichy in March 1983 until he was appointed **President of the European Commission**, where he remained for three terms, until January 1995.

From October 1992 to December 1999 he has chaired UNESCO's International **Commission on Education for the 21st century** (a report has been published in 1996). He was President of the Board of Administration of the College of Europe (Bruges) from 1995 to 1999.

In October 1996, Jacques Delors founded the **Groupe d'Études et de Recherches "Notre Europe"** and is today the Founder President.

He has been nominated, in May 2000, President of the **CERC** - Conseil de l'Emploi, des Revenus et de la Cohésion Sociale.