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Ahmed BALADI

Lawyer Partner, Allen & Overy

Since 2010, Ahmed Baladi has been a partner at the law firm Allen & Overy. From 1998 to 2001, he was an associate at Archibald Andersen. In 2001, he joined Allen & Overy, and spent a year in China from 2004 to 2005, on secondment to the Beijing office.

Ahmed specialized in technology, commercial transactions, e-commerce and data protection. He leads the Paris TMT Group and is the head of the Allen & Overy Global Technology Group. He has acquired expertise in big data, cloud computing, social media and cyber-security.

Ahmed regularly gives advice on data protection issues in situations of compliance and pre-litigation and on strategic commercial transactions in the technology, finance, energy, aerospace and pharmaceutical sectors.



Akrame BENALLAL

Michelin-starred chef, Restaurant Akrame & Ateliers Vivanda (Paris, Hong Kong)

Akrame Benallal was born in France in 1981 but spent the first thirteen years of his life in Oran, Algeria. After the sudden departure of his father, he learned to get by on his own and decided very quickly that he wanted to be a cook. At the age of 14, he became an apprentice at a Post Office restaurant in the Loir-et-Cher, France.

From 1996 to 1999, he entered the Orangerie at the Château de Blois. In 1999, he continued to prove his merit with Pierre Gagnaire in pastry. The following year, in 2000, he met Alain Solivérès at the Hôtel Vernet. In 2004, he spent one season at El Bulli with Ferran Adrià. After that, in 2005, he took control of the Château des Sept Tours' kitchens.

Later, in April 2011, he opened his eponymous restaurant "Akrame" in Lauriston Street. Akrame Restaurant received its first Michelin star in 2012. He opened his second restaurant "L'Atelier Vivanda" in the same year. In 2013, he opened a new Akrame Restaurant in Hong Kong and a wine cellar named BRVT. Akrame was awarded a second Michelin star in February 2014.

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Julie BURGUBURU

Deputy Chief of staff to the President of the National Assembly

Since July 2014, Julie Burguburu has been Deputy Chief of Staff to the President of the National Assembly, Claude Bartolone.

Managing the cabinet under the Chief of Staff, Julie is specifically in charge of two committees led by the President. One aims to rethink the future of French institutions while the other deals with citizenship commitment and the sense of belonging to the Republic.

From 2011 to 2014, she spent four years in Asia, in Shanghai, where she worked as Vice President to Veolia China, in charge of transformation.

Prior to her time in China, Julie worked for seven years as a judge in the French Council of State, which she joined after graduating from the ENA in 2003.

Julie has a Master's degree in private law, and a Master's degree in international relations and economics from the John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. Before that, she graduated from Sciences Po Paris.



Merieme CHADID

Explorer, Astronomer

Merieme Chadid is considered the first astronomer in the world to commit to installing a large astronomical observatory in Antarctica. She was the first to place an Arab flag (Moroccan) at the South Pole. She is also one of the first pioneering astronomers to install VLTs (very large telescopes) in the Atacama Desert in Chile, the driest desert in the world. Merieme was awarded the decoration of «grade officier» Wissam El Alaoui by His Majesty the King of Morocco. She was honored by the World Economic Forum and the MY HERO project as Young Global Leader. She was listed as one of the 30 most fascinating workers in the world by Forbes Magazine.

Merieme was portrayed in the book *Libres, insoumises et audacieuses (Free, rebellious and audacious women)*, written by Claire Champenois and released on International Women's Day in 2015.

Merieme obtained her PhD in Astronomy and Space from Paul Sabatier University and completed several executive education programs at Harvard University. Her research fields are focused on stellar and universe evolution. Her scientific discoveries are published in numerous international reviews and books. She gives lectures and supervises PhD students.

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CEN Zhichao 岑志超

General Manager, Chuangxiang Energy Conservation Technology Company

Cen Zhichao has been the General Manager of Chuangxiang Energy Conservation Technology Company since 2010. He is also the Vice Chairman of several chambers of commerce.

Chuangxiang Energy Conservation Technology Company was established in 1986. It is a company committed to the exploration, development and production of special heat preservation materials. After 20 years' experience, the Company currently focuses on independent research and development, production and installation. It also provides after-sales service. It is becoming the market leader in the industry. The company's special heat preservation materials are widely used in business nuclear power, thermal power, military projects, petrochemical industry, oil refineries, gold metallurgy, etc.

Zhichao was born in 1988 in the province of Zhejiang.



Olivier CHOUVET

Entrepreneur
Founder, Glamour Sales

Olivier Chouvet is an at-large entrepreneur. He founded and co-founded several companies in Shanghai, Tokyo, Hong Kong and Paris. He oversees 600 professionals in Asia through twelve active businesses.

Olivier is the co-founder of Glamour Sales, the leading authorized luxury flash sales website in Asia. The company works officially and directly with over 1,000 international luxury, fashion and lifestyle brands and has gained over 3.5 million members across 1,100 cities. In 2015, the influential group Alibaba decided to invest in Glamour Sales, which was renamed Mei.com.

Olivier's first experience in Asia began in 2000 and led to his co-founding Emotion (followed by K2) in Japan in 2002. K2 is an event management company, which has become the most comprehensive agency for high-end events throughout Tokyo, Shanghai, Beijing, Hong Kong and Seoul.

Olivier co-founded Naco Architectures China, followed by SuperPress and Superbla. The agencies cover different areas of expertise from design to public relations and digital marketing, and operate as a powerful integrated marketing and communication network in China.

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Arnaud DANJEAN

Member of the European Parliament
Member of the Burgundy Regional Assembly

Arnaud Danjean served as a civil servant within the French Ministry of Defense from 1994 to 2002, with numerous postings in the Balkans (Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo) and as adviser to the head of the French External Intelligence Directorate (DGSE) from 2000 to 2002.

After an assignment to the French Representation to the United Nations in Geneva (2002-2005), he joined the cabinet of the French Minister for Foreign affairs as a personal adviser for South-Eastern Europe and Afghanistan (2005-2007).

Elected to the European Parliament in June 2009, he chaired the Subcommittee on «Security and defense» until 2014.

Re-elected in May 2014, Arnaud is a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee (in which he is deputy coordinator of the Group of the European People's Party) and of the security and defense subcommittee.

Since 2010, he has also been an elected member of the Regional Assembly of Burgundy.

He was awarded the French «Ordre National du Mérite» (national order of merit) in 2000.

Arnaud speaks French, English, German and Serb/Croat.



DING Shaohua 丁韶华

Director, Jiangsu Fund Law Firm

Ding Shaohua attended Nanjing Normal University, which awarded him a Master's degree in Law in 1999. He then graduated from Nanjing University in 2011, obtaining a Doctorate in Finance.

His work experience includes 2 years at Jiangsu C&T Partners as a lawyer and 9 years at the law firm of Jiangsu Fadeyongheng, where he worked as Deputy Director. In 2009, he set up the Jiangsu Fund Law Firm.

Jiangsu Fund Law Firm (the "FUND") is the first legally approved law firm to specialize in financial legal services in Jiangsu province. It has established an experienced team that demonstrates excellent legal practices and has been widely recognized as a leading law firm in Jiangsu, with part of their practices ranking among the highest of the Chinese financial legal profession.

As well as his professional endeavors, Shaohua is a member of the All-China Youth Federation and the CRFA (China Registered Financial Analysts).



DING Zhitao 丁志涛

Associate Editor in Chief, *Beijing Review*

Ding Zhitao is the Associate Editor in Chief of *Beijing Review*. *Beijing Review* is China's only national weekly news magazine encompassing websites in five languages: English, Japanese, French, German and Chinese (<http://www.bjreview.com/>). Its distribution covers more than 150 countries and regions.

During the past decades, Zhitao has followed a professional path involving reporting, editing, news writing, and management. She started working with *Beijing Review* as the reporter of the world and diplomacy section. Later, she supervised news operations from topic planning to the layout of the print magazine, as well as the website and social media outlets of *Beijing Review*, as Executive Editor and Associate Editor in Chief.

As a seasoned media professional, Zhitao participated in the media forum in Nigeria, Kenya and Australia. She also works as a council member of the China-Pakistan Friendship Association.

Zhitao has a Bachelor's Degree in English Language and Literature awarded by Shandong University, a Bachelor's Degree of Journalism awarded by the China School of Journalism, and a PhD in Communication awarded by the Communication University of China.



Marc FRAPPIER

Managing Director, Eurazeo Capital
Chief Representative Officer, Eurazeo China

Marc Frappier joined Eurazeo in 2006 and has been on the Executive Committee since 2009. At Eurazeo, Marc has oversight of large investments (above €100 million) across a broad range of industries, such as Travel (Accor, Apcoa), Business services (Elis, Edenred, Rexel) and Consumer goods (Asmodee, Foncia). He opened Eurazeo's China Office to encourage partnerships between Chinese and European companies.

From 1999 to 2006, he worked as a management consultant for The Boston Consulting Group (BCG) in Paris and Singapore. Marc began his career as a financial auditor with Deloitte & Touche in Paris and New York. He has a Science Master's degree in Industrial and Economical Engineering.

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Olivier GABET

Director, Museum of Decorative Arts of Paris

Olivier Gabet is an art historian and a cultural heritage curator. Olivier began working at the Parisian Museum of Modern Art in 2005. Then he joined the Musée d'Orsay, where he was in charge of decorative arts collections. He was also responsible for a contemporary art program, "Correspondances", with many living French and international artists.

In 2008, he led the Louvre Abu Dhabi project as curator for decorative arts and then as deputy curatorial director.

In 2013, at the age of 37, Olivier became the director of the Museum of Decorative Arts in Paris, including fashion and design collections.



Mathieu GALLET

CEO, Radio France

Born in 1977 in Villeneuve-sur-Lot, Mathieu Gallet graduated from IEP Bordeaux and obtained a DEA in the economic analysis of public decisions from the University of Paris I Panthéon- Sorbonne.

He began his career as Assistant Director of Marketing and International Promotion at Erato Disques in 1999, and became head of the administration for the real estate sales department of Pathé in 2000. He joined Canal Plus in 2001, first as a controller at Studio Canal and then as project manager for institutional relations groups. In 2006, Mathieu Gallet was appointed technical advisor for Audiovisual and New Technologies alongside François Loos, the Minister of Industry. From 2007 to 2009, he was technical advisor for the audiovisual and media staff of Christine Albanel, Minister of Culture and Communication. In 2009, he became the Deputy Chief of Staff of Frédéric Mitterrand's cabinet, Minister of Culture and Communication.

In May 2010, Mathieu Gallet became CEO of the National Audiovisual Institute before being unanimously elected to the Presidency of Radio France by the members of the Superior Audiovisual Council on February 27th, 2014.

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Estelle GRELIER

Member of Parliament for Seine-Maritime
President, Business France

Estelle Grelier has been a member of Parliament for Seine-Maritime since June 2012, and the President of the “Automotive” sector of the Parliament. She is also the secretary of the Committee on European Affairs and a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. The Vice President of France’s Assembly of communities (AdCF), Estelle is also the national secretary of the Socialist Party (PS), in charge of the “social justice and territorial cohesion” sector.

Previously, Estelle was a member of the European Parliament from 2009 to 2012, and serves on the Budget Committee. From 2001 to 2014, she was the First Deputy Mayor of the City and the President of the Community of Municipalities of Fécamp. From 2004 to 2009, Estelle was the Vice President of the Haute-Normandie region, in charge of education.

Estelle chaired the management center for the public territorial service in Seine-Maritime from 2008 to 2014. Then, she was elected President of the Administration Council of Business France in July 2015, working as an unpaid volunteer in the name of the National Assembly.

Estelle is 42 years old. She graduated from the Institut d’Etudes Politiques in Grenoble and the University of Strasbourg (obtaining a DESS in European institutions and Franco-German relations).



GUO Min 郭民

General Manager, Avène China

Guo Min has 20 years of experience in pharmaceutical and retail management and 13 years of experience working in a top management position in Pierre Fabre China. He is now working for Eau thermale Avène in China as Brand General Manager.

Min has been working on the development of the Avène brand in China since 2002. From 2002 to 2014, he was the Commercial Director of Pierre Fabre dermo-cosmetics China. Starting from zero, he set Avène up in more than 260 cities and 1,200 points of sales and built up Eau thermale Avène as the N.1 of dermo-cosmetics brands in the Chinese market.

From 2001 to 2002, Min worked for Stallergènes Laboratories in Paris as an area manager for Asia Pacific. Previously, from 1996 to 1998, he worked for Pfizer Laboratories, in Beijing, where he was responsible for obtaining the regulatory approvals of products.

Min has a Bachelor’s Degree in Pharmacy from Beijing Medical University, and a MBA in Pharmaceuticals and health care management from Paris VI University.

Min speaks French fluently.

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HAN Jingjing 韩京晶

General Manager, Zhejiang Tenghu Engineering Company

Han Jingjing has been the General Manager of the Zhejiang Tenghu Engineering Company since 2010.

Previously, from 2008 to 2010, he was the company's Project Manager.

Zhejiang Tenghu Engineering company is a construction company, founded in 2007.

Jingjing has a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering and an Associate Constructor certificate.



HE Jun 何军

President, Ram-union Rescue Association

Member of Zhejiang Provincial Youth Federation Standing Committee

Jun was born in October 1970 in Hangzhou. He studied at Utah State University (USU) from 1992 to 1994, and then went to the Gemological Institute of America. Back in China, he became Chairman of the Gemological Institute of Zhejiang.

He is a member of the Standing Committee of the Zhejiang Province Youth Federation, an Executive member of the Zhejiang Province Federation of Industry and Commerce, the Vice President of the Hangzhou General Chamber of Commerce and the President of the Hangzhou Chamber of Commerce of the Jewelry & Watch industry. Jun He devotes himself to public welfare, with "Live a smart and interesting life and devote yourself to public welfare and assistance" as his motto.

Since April 2014, he has played a new role as Chairman of the Zhejiang Ram-union Public Welfare and Rescue Promotion Association. As the founder of the Ram-union, he has led the group to participate in all kinds of rescue operations after earthquakes and mishaps that happened in Wenchuan, Ya'an or Yushu. This work has made him popular among charitable rescue NGOs.

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Casey Weihong KANG 康伟宏

President, JRSY Investment Company

Before graduating from Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business with an EMBA in 2012, Casey attended the University of International Business and Economics of Law, where she obtained an LL.M. She first graduated from Shanghai Finance Institute, majoring in International Finance.

She is the President of JRSY Investment Company Ltd, specialized in new energy, the environment and agricultural fertilizer. She is also the General partner of ALEF Mountain Capital Partners and works as a Senior Advisor for major French companies, helping them find financial partners and develop their business in China.

From 1996-2002, she was a key BASE Group member, negotiating an important project for a mega-integrated petrochemical site in China.

Casey also actively participates in Chinese political activities by proposing consultations, especially in the fields of the environment and urban construction.



Andy Wing-Leung KWOK 郭永亮

Executive Director, Hong Kong NuBrands Group

Andy Wing-Leung Kwok has been an Executive Director and Chairman of the Board for Hong Kong NuBrands Group Holdings Co., Ltd since September 2005. In April 2009, he resigned as Chairman of the Board but remained as one of the Company's Executive Directors.

He has over 10 years of experience in local and overseas financial and general management, and experience in the trading business in the People's Republic of China. He is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a member of CPA Australia.

Andy is the sole director and beneficial owner of Billion Pacific Ventures Limited, one of the Company's main shareholders.

He is also the independent non-executive director of AGTech Holdings Limited, the shares of which are listed in the Growth Enterprise Market of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

In spring 2015, Andy was appointed a member of the Commission on Youth (CoY) by the Hong Kong SAR government. The CoY advises the Chief Executive in matters pertaining to youth, enhances its civic awareness and promotes leadership training.

Andy has a Master's degree in Business Administration from Tsinghua University and a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Sydney.

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Howard Hao KWOK 郭豪

President, YunGao Group
Deputy General Manager, Westin Xi'an

Howard Kwok is the President of YunGao Group, a real estate developer with projects in Shanghai, Xi'an and Lhasa. He is also Deputy General Manager at The Westin Xi'an, an investment of YunGao. Howard is the owner of three Chateaux in Saint Emilion and Pomerol.

He began his career as a financial analyst at Morgan Stanley's in New York. He then became a consultant for McKinsey & Company in China.

Howard has a Master's degree in Business Administration from Harvard Business School in Boston, U.S.A., as well as a diploma in French Cuisine from the Cordon Bleu in Paris, France.

Howard is a native of Hong Kong and is fluent in Mandarin, Cantonese, English and French.



LI Guangwu 李广武

CEO, Fufeng Materials Company and Ocean Oasis Tourism Culture Company

Li Guangwu is CEO of the Penglai Fufeng Materials Company, and of the Penglai Ocean Oasis Tourism Culture Company.

The Penglai Fufeng Materials Company mainly focuses on the underground mining of gold and mining engineering construction. The company also carries out biological and technological research on aquatic products and offers research services. It had the honor of winning the "economic development meritorious enterprise" title in 2014.

The Penglai Ocean Oasis Tourism Culture Company mainly works on developing resources for maritime tourism and managing natural, coastal scenic areas. It has answered the government's call to develop tourism with a special focus on leisure and entertainment projects, including the oceanic pasture and angling.

Guangwu actively participates in social public welfare and charity activities, and perennially subsidizes dropout children and the poor and lonely elderly. As the NPC member of Penglai City, he actively offers advice and suggestions for seeking public welfare, earnestly fulfilling his job responsibilities.

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LI Ning 李宁

Co-founder & CEO, Made.com

LI Ning is the co-founder and CEO of Made.com, an online designer furniture retailer based in Notting Hill, London.

He founded MyFab in 2007. It was a Paris-based company with offices in Shanghai that sold furniture and decorative items online, straight from the manufacturers'.

Before that, he was an analyst at Rothschild, and in charge of corporate development at Meetic. Ning speaks French, Chinese, Spanish and English.

He graduated from HEC Paris.



MA Carson Chi-Seng 马志成

Member of the Legislative Assembly of Macao

General Manager, New Worldwide International Company

Ma Carson Chi-Seng is a member of the Legislative Assembly of Macao, and the Director of the Youth Committee of the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Macao.

He occupies a leading position in several organizations: he is the President of the Macao Youth Entrepreneur Association, the Vice President of the Macao Youth Federation and the Director of the Macao Youth Vision Association. He is also a member of the Consultative Committee of the Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau.

Carson is one of the Executive Directors of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce in Macao and the General Manager of New Worldwide International Limited Company.

He has a Bachelor's degree in business (Management) from Monash University (Australia).

Carson was born in 1978.

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MA Qian 马骞

Deputy Director, Department of European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ma Qian graduated in 2002 from the China Foreign Affairs College, where he obtained a Bachelor's degree in Arts. In the same year, he started his diplomatic career in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China.

From 2002 to 2006, Qian worked at the Chinese Embassy in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Once back in China in 2006, he worked at the French desk of Department of European Affairs.

From 2009 to 2013, he successively worked at the Chinese Embassy in the Belgium and at the Chinese Embassy in France. Then he came back to China in 2013, and served as Deputy Director, first in charge of European affairs and later in charge of French affairs.



Alexandre MALSCH

Co-founder and CEO, Meltygroup

Alexandre Malsch is the co-founder and CEO of Meltygroup. He heads a global media group, composed of 14 thematic websites in France (melty.fr, meltyFashion, meltyStyle, meltyBuzz, meltyFood, meltyCampus, meltyXtrem, meltyDiscovery, Fan2.fr, june.fr, mcm.fr, virginradio.fr, neonmag.fr, airofmelty.com) with local versions in Italy, Spain, Brazil, Germany, Poland, Czech Republic and Morocco. Every month, the group receives more than 26 million visits worldwide, from 27 countries. It has established itself as the first web media group among 18 to 30-year-olds and 12 to 17-year-olds.

Alexandre is driven by his passion for the Internet, but also by his enthusiasm for entrepreneurship. From the beginning of the meltygroup adventure, he managed to convince major institutional and private investors to support him. These investors support him today in order to develop meltygroup's new projects, but also on an international scale.

Alexandre has been elected Vice President of the French Digital Council, in charge of start-ups and entrepreneurship. In 2013, he ranked N°1 at the «Festival des Entrepreneurs» in Méribel (category "Young? So what?") and in L'Opinion's ranking of "Those who shape public opinion", in the "actors" category.

In spring 2015, Alexandre launched «Snap Trip London», the first reality web documentary ever produced and broadcast on SnapChat. It generated 8 million views during 3 days.

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MIAO Ronghua 苗荣华

Deputy Chief, Department in charge of Chinese people abroad

Miao Ronghua has been Deputy Chief of the Asia & African Section of the Foreign and Overseas Chinese Affairs Department of Sichuan since 2013.

She joined the Department in 2004 and was mainly responsible for high-level delegation receptions, the overseas visits of provincial leaders and local government exchanges with Asian and African countries.

Before that, she worked for the General Consulate of China in Sydney and Melbourne, responsible for passport and visa applications and the handling of consular cases.

From 1993 to 1997, Ronghua worked as a staff member in the Protocol, Consular Affairs and Press Section in the Sichuan Foreign Affairs office.

Ronghua was born in 1974 in the Sichuan province.



Pascaline MICHAULT

Air Force Major

Pascaline Michault is an Air Force officer (rank: Commandant).

She graduated from the Ecole de l'Air in 2003. She was first assigned to an air defense squadron, in which she was responsible for training fighter pilots in military aviation technology.

From 2005 to 2008, she joined the Centre de Planification et de Conduite des Opérations (CPCO, or «Center for the planning and running of operations») in Paris and was involved in several crises (evacuation of French nationals in warring countries, piracy, etc.). She was also responsible for the follow-up of the French air force's contribution to the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) in Afghanistan. Since 2011, Pascaline Michault has been assigned to the Army Staff as a desk officer working on bilateral military relations between France and countries in South Asia. Pascaline Michault also conducted an external operation in Chad in 2004 and participated in several joint military exercises.

Pascaline Michault graduated from Sciences Po Paris and INALCO.

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QIN Xiaoxiao 秦潇潇

Executive Director, Meiqin Consulting

Qin Xiaoxiao started her international experience in Philadelphia, in 1998. She received her Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania, and a Master's in Public Administration (M.P.A) with a focus in Economic Policy Management from the School of Public and International Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University.

After completing her college degree, she moved to New York City to follow in her family's footsteps in the field of Diplomacy and International Affairs. She worked for the United Nations for five years as a young public information assistant, and was privileged to attend the UN 60th Anniversary and a number of international conferences.

Xiaoxiao also found her passion in International Education. She developed an International Pre-College Program for the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University, and acted as the Program Chief Representative in China. The program brings elite students to top universities in the States, and aims to educate promising students and identify future young leaders.

Xiaoxiao loves all forms of art and international culture. She co-founded China Society, a nonprofit organization in New York, and jointly hosted U.S-China Movie Festival in the city and UN international territory in 2006. She has been a member of the Executive Committee of the Beijing International Ballet and Choreographer Competition since 2011.



Franck RIESTER

Mayor of Coulommiers

Member of Parliament for Seine et Marne

Since June 2007, Franck Riester has been a member of Parliament for the fifth district of Seine et Marne, re-elected in 2012. He has also been the mayor of Coulommiers since March 2008, and is President of the "Municipalities Community" for the Coulommiers area.

As a member of the Commission of Cultural Affairs and Education of the National Assembly, he focused particularly on issues related to culture, media and new technologies. He was a member of the Copé Commission on the reform of public broadcasting in 2008, Rapporteur of the Hadopi law in 2009, and co-author of a report on "Music Creation and diversity in the digital age" in 2011, which advocates the creation of a National Centre for Music. In February 2010 and September 2011, he also made proposals to improve online administrative services, in two reports on the improvement of the digital relationship for the user.

Franck Riester is also an entrepreneur and, as such, runs several car dealerships.

Franck Riester graduated from the Institut Supérieur de Gestion (ISG) and obtained a Master's in the management of territorial communities from ESSEC Business School.

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Michel de ROVIRA

Co-founder & General Manager, Michel et Augustin

In 2004, Michel co-founded Michel et Augustin, a food company with a premium urban positioning. He has co-directed the group till present and is in charge of finance, sales, purchasing and logistics. He and co-founder Augustin Paluel-Marmont have developed partnerships with large food retailers in France (Carrefour, Monoprix) and sales outlets in 20 countries.

Previously, Michel worked as an associate consultant at L.E.K. Consulting from 2000 to 2003, in France and Boston. From 1998 to 1999, he worked as an analyst at Credit Lyonnais Americas in New York.

In 2004, he co-wrote the first guidebook to Parisian bakeries: «*Le guide des boulangeries de Paris*».

Michel graduated from ESCP and INSEAD Business School and has a Vocational Training Certificate (CAP) in pastry.



Raphaël SCHOENTGEN

Director of Research and Technologies, ENGIE

Raphaël is the Director of Research & Technologies and a member of the Executive Committee of Engie (GDF Suez). Previously, he was the President of GDF SUEZ China.

Raphael has also worked for the French government: between 2004 and 2007, he was the diplomatic advisor to the French Minister in charge of Energy, Telecommunications and Industry (covering all international and European affairs in the private office). Before that, he worked as a national expert for the European Commission's Competition General Directorate and was Head of the State Economic Development Department of France's Northern Region (similar to local NDRC).

Raphaël has held various jobs in the private sector, working for French textile and water, Chinese telecommunications, the power sectors of the United States and Thailand, and the Mexican gas sector.

Raphaël has a Master's Degree in Business Administration (member of the "French Corps des Mines") and a Civil Engineering degree from the Paris National Mining University ("Ecole Nationale des Mines de Paris").

Raphaël was also elected Chair of the Energy Group of the European Trade Chamber in China.

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Aline SYLLA-WALBAUM

International Managing Director, Christie's

Aline Sylla-Walbaum is the International Managing Director of Luxury goods at Christie's.

Previously, she was Managing Director France of Christie's, in charge of the development of Christie's France.

From 2002 to 2007, she was the Deputy Executive Director and Director of Cultural Development at the Louvre museum. Then, from 2007 to 2008, she joined the cabinet of Prime Minister François Fillon as special advisor for Culture and Communication. In 2009, she joined Unibail-Rodamco as Strategy Director and then Deputy Head of Office and Retail Development.

Aline graduated from HEC, IEP Paris and is a former student of ENA.



Laurent VALLEE

Secretary General, Constitutional Council of the French Republic

Since March 2015, Laurent Vallée has been the Secretary General of the French Constitutional Council.

He graduated from ESSEC Business School, Sciences Po and ENA. He began his career as Master of requests to the French Council of State where he served as Commissioner of the Government and Constitutional Advisor to the Secretary General of the Government.

From 2008 to 2010, he was a lawyer at Clifford Chance, and in 2010, he became Director of Civil Affairs and Justice to the Ministry of Justice. In April 2013, Laurent Vallée joined Canal+ Group as Secretary General.

Laurent Vallée also used to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Football League.

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Yang Hua was born in 1972 in Shaoxing, Zhejiang province. He is a member of the CPC, the Vice President of Zhejiang Academy of Agricultural Sciences and a specialist in the quality and safety of food and agricultural products.

He studied at Zhejiang Agriculture University from 1989 to 1992 and later obtained a Master's degree from the College of Animal Sciences of Zhejiang University. From 2011 to 2012, he participated in the tenth USA public management master class organized by the Organization Department of Zhejiang provincial Party Committee.

He was awarded second prize in Zhejiang province's Science competition, second prize in the Department of agriculture of Zhejiang Province's technology competition and third prize in Hangzhou City's science competition.



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Deputy Director, General Office of the Communist Party of China, Sichuan Committee

Yang Li has been the Deputy Director of the General Office of the Communist Party of China, Sichuan Committee, since 2012.

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From 2003 to 2006, he was a member of the Development and Reform Commission of Chengdu. He participated in the development of the 11th Five-year Plan, and did research on the industrial function of an international city.

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YUE Lei 岳雷

Senior Vice President, Sanpower Group

Yue Lei entered Sanpower Group in 2006. He was appointed Vice President in 2013 and is now Senior Vice President of the company.

Lei has been honored as “Outstanding Leader for Supporting the Labor Union” by the Nanjing Labor Union of Emerging Industries for three consecutive years since 2012.

In 2012, he was selected as a member of the 14th Committee of the Nanjing Youth Federation. In 2013, he successfully won a seat in the Standing Committee of Jiangsu Youth Federation. In 2014, Nanjing University of Posts and Telecommunications invited Lei to be an Enterprise Tutor. That same year, Lei was appointed Councilor and Deputy Secretary General of the Nanjing Public Diplomacy Association.

Sanpower Group Nanjing Investment Management Co. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sanpower Group, was founded in June 2003. Lei has been the company’s Chairman of the Board since 2010. In April 2014, Sanpower Group spent 200 million pounds acquiring an 89% share in House of Fraser, one of the most time-honored department stores in the UK. The acquisition is the largest direct overseas purchase from a listed company in China A-Share market history. Lei personally took part in the event, leading teams to visit the United Kingdom for research and negotiation purposes many times before the acquisition.

Lei graduated from Xuzhou Normal University, and majored in free combat in college. He was the free combat champion in the Martial Arts and Free Combat Championship of four provinces (Jiangsu, Shandong, Henan and Anhui) in 2003.



ZHANG Changyong 张长勇

Chairman, EaseHealth Industry Investment Holding Company

Zhang Changyong is the Chairman of EaseHealth Industry Investment Holding Company.

Before that, he was the financial innovation manager of China CIC Trust, the Vice President of Rongtong Capitaio Company, and a partner at Zhonglun W&D Law Firm.

EaseHealth is an industry investment and investment management institution focusing on medical service and medical technology. The company focuses on clinical medical service, innovative medical technology and personalized health insurance investment. Its purpose is to boost the future of Chinese medicine and, in so doing, become the leading medical investment holding platform of China.

Changyong has more than 10 years of investment experience in finance and medical treatment. He graduated from the law school of Renmin University of China.

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Christina Meng Zhang has a PhD in Linguistics and Neuroscience. She is the founder & CEO of the Alliance for Global Youth Leadership, and a member of the World Economic Forum Global Shaper.

Christina was the Olympic Torch Bearer in the 2008 Beijing Olympics and was nominated one of the “Top Ten Capital Educational News Figures” (2009) and Young Thinker of “Educational Pioneers” by Phoenix News (2013). She was a guest speaker at the Youth Leader Round Table of the BOAO Forum for Asia (2014).

Christina is also a member of the Musicians’ Association of Beijing City and the Writer’s Association of Liaoning Province. She is the founder of the Cross-Strait Youth Leadership of Employment and Entrepreneurship Training Program.



ZHANG Ye 张业

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Zhang Ye has been the Vice President of Hangzhou Panasia Group since 2004, the CEO of Panka E-commerce Company since 2010 and the Chairman of BDC Sanitary Ware Technology Company since 2009.

From 2005 to 2009, Ye served as Assistant General Manager at Hangzhou Panasia Plumbing Company.

He was nominated “golden member” by the Delta Mu Delta honor society in 2009.

He is also a member of the Committee of Hangzhou Youth Federation and the Executive Council of Hangzhou New Generation Entrepreneurs Association, as well as one of the Executive Vice Presidents of the Tonglu New Generation Entrepreneurs’ Association.

Ye has a Bachelor’s Degree in International Business from Southern New Hampshire University, and a MBA in Operation Management from Loyola University Chicago.

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Zhou Linjun has been the General Manager of Green River Aquatic Products Company since 2006. Before that, from 2002 to 2006, he was the Vice Director of East Asia Aquaculture Company.

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