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WORK EXPERIENCE

18/05/2026– now

Director General
ANSES (French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health & Safety), Maisons-Alfort (France)

Appointed by the French President of the Republic, under the direct supervision of the Ministries in charge of Agriculture, Ecology, Labour and Health, my responsibility is to lead ANSES in all aspects (scientific, administrative and financial).

ANSES, a French national agency with around 1,400 employees, is a public administrative body operating under the supervision of the ministries responsible for health, agriculture, ecology and labour. ANSES carries out monitoring, vigilance and surveillance, expert assessments, regulatory assessments, research and reference functions across a broad spectrum covering human health, animal health and welfare, and plant health. ANSES also assesses the efficacy and risks of veterinary medicines, plant protection products, fertilisers, growing media and their adjuvants, as well as biocides, in order to issue marketing authorisations.

21/06/2021 – 18/05/2026

CEO – Chief Executive Officer
CIRAD (Agricultural Research Center for International Cooperation), Paris (FRANCE)

Appointed by the French President of the Republic, under the direct supervision of the Ministers in charge of European and Foreign affairs and for Research, my responsibility is to lead CIRAD in all fields (scientific, diplomatic and financial). I represent the organization to the Parliament, the ministries and abroad.

01/03/2018–20/06/2021

Director General in charge of Research and Strategy - Vice-CEO
CIRAD (Agricultural Research Center for International Cooperation), Paris (France)

My responsibility was mainly to manage CIRAD, which employs more than 1600 people, working for and in developing and emerging countries, and to shape the strategy of the organisation

I have focused my activity more particularly on the following items:

- Reforming and modernising the structure and the working methods, with a special attention to inclusiveness and gender (my organization was selected to coordinate a Horizon 2020-funded European project called "Gender smart").
- Strengthening our skills, projects and activities on sustainability: biodiversity, climate change and socially inclusive food systems.
- Negotiating new framework agreements with the French government (Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Ministry for Research) and with the AFD (French Agency for Development).
- Extending and reinforcing our cooperation in Africa, in Asia and Latin America while trying to foster European consortia to work in Africa, with CIRAD. CIRAD is strongly involved in the DeSIRA (Development of Smart Innovation through Research in Agriculture) projects (European Commission, Directorate-General for International Partnerships - DG INTPA).

01/09/2016–01/03/2018

Deputy Director for Sustainable Development

Ministry for European and Foreign Affairs, Paris (France)

- Managing a team of 115 diplomats working in one of the biggest directories of the Ministry, which is part of the DG for Global Affairs.

- Working, in close cooperation with the Treasury and the cooperation agencies, on the definition of the French priorities for international cooperation.

- Representing the Ministry in the board of national agencies.

- Participation in international meetings (annual meetings of the World Bank, OECD, head of delegation for G20 development group, UE Development days).

01/09/2013–01/09/2016

Senior Advisor to the French Executive Director (ED) to the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF)

The World Bank, Washington, D.C. (United States of America)

- Managing a team of 15 French secondees to the World Bank, the Global Environment Fund, and the Global Partnership for Education.

- Advising the French Executive Director on development and climate policies proposed by the World Bank (WB) and the IMF. I have been more particularly involved in the preparation of COP 21 (negotiation of the financial support of the WB) and in the design of new WB intervention modalities in fragile States.

- French representative to the WB and the IMF Board, by delegation of the Executive Director, as Senior Advisor.

01/09/2011–01/09/2013

Political advisor for European affairs, security and defence affairs and G20 issues in the French Embassy in Madrid

French Embassy, Madrid (Spain)

Interagency coordination on European affairs and security issues in the Embassy.

01/09/2009–01/09/2011

French liaison diplomat for the Spanish Presidency of the Council (January 2010-June 2010)

Spanish Ministry for Foreign Affairs - SGUE (General Secretariat for European Affairs), Madrid (Spain)

In the SGUE, I worked more particularly on environmental issues, maritime security (external) and integrated maritime policy (internal).

01/09/2005–01/09/2009

Political advisor for European affairs and security and defence affairs -

French Embassy in Warsaw, Warsaw (Poland)

Interagency coordination on European affairs and security issues in the Embassy.

01/04/2002-01/09/2005

Political advisor in charge of military and civilian operations -NATO and EU -
Directorate for strategic affairs- Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Paris

Building French positions on UE and NATO operations, jointly with the Ministry of Defence and French Permanent Representations to NATO and PSC UE.

01/01/2000–01/01/2001

Assistant to the Mertens in the French Permanent Representation in Brussels - ENA one-year internship
French Permanent Representation to the EU, Brussels (Belgium)

- Assistant for coordinating COREPER 1 issues during the French presidency of the Council (July 2000- December 2000).

- French delegate in the consumers and the public markets working groups.

01/09/1998–01/01/2000

University senior lecturer in statistics applied to social sciences
University Paris V - René Descartes, Paris (France)

- Coordinator of the statistics courses in the social sciences faculty of the University.

- Senior lecturer on applied statistics

01/09/1995–01/09/1998

University lecturer in economics
University Paris I - Panthéon Sorbonne, Paris (France)

- Lecturer on microeconomics and organisations' theories

- Member of a research team working on organisations' theories.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

July 2025

Intensive seminar on the EU – Policies and Priorities Program
College Of Europe, Bruges

Seminar of Senior officials.

01/09/2019-01/01/2021

Auditor in Cycle des Hautes Etudes du Service Public (CHESP)
Prime Minister Office

I was selected for this training with a view to my forthcoming appointment as CEO of a big public organisation.

01/09/2019-01/07/2021

Auditor in Cycle des Hautes Etudes de la Culture (CHEC)
Ministry for Culture, Paris (France)

I was selected for this highly selective training session with a project on scientific culture, in close relation with my post in CIRAD.

01/09/2016–01/07/2019

Auditor in l'Institut Diplomatique à mi-carrière
Ministry for Foreign affairs, Paris (France)

I was selected for the internal academy of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs for high-potential managers. It is a three-year training with three-day sessions every month. I completed the course with success.

01/09/2012–01/06/2013

Auditor –of the high-level course trainee (Alcide de Gasperi promotion)

ESDC - European Security and Defense college, Brussels (Belgium)

The ESDC is a body of the EEAS (European External Action Service, the EU's diplomatic service).

I am a member of the ESDC Alumni Association.

01/01/2012–01/06/2012

IHEDN - Auditor – 188th regional session in Paris

IHEDN - Institut des Hautes Etudes de la Défense Nationale, Paris (France)

A four-day a month, during six months, training on security and defense issues in the French National Defence Institute.

01/01/2000–01/05/2002

ENA - ancienne élève

ENA - Ecole Nationale d'Administration, Paris (France)

- Public administration and management
- Foreign and European affairs.

01/09/1994–01/07/1996

Graduated with honours from Institut d'Etudes Politiques (IEP) - Sciences Po Paris

IEP Paris - Sciences Po Paris, Paris (France)

- Political sciences
- Public management

01/09/1993–01/09/1995

Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) Saclay - Cachan

Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan, Paris (France)

- Economics with a focus on microeconomics.
- *Agrégation de sciences économiques* (July 2014) and *Agrégation de sciences sociales* (July 2015): competitive exam which gives access to teaching and research which I passed in the fields of applied economics and of social sciences.

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): French

Foreign language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C1
Spanish	C2	C2	C1	C1	C1
Polish	C1	C1	B2	B2	B1
Russian	B1	B1	A2	A2	B1
Greek	A2	A2	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user - B1 and B2: Independent user - C1 and C2: Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Communication skills

I am used to communicating in public, whether in a formal and prepared way or in direct interviews during events.

Organisational / managerial skills

I have been managing teams for quite a long period. It has always been a real opportunity, a privilege and a pleasure.

I favour collective management and decision-making, with clear responsibilities for each person.

I have chosen to attend tailored training in team management for my last two positions with high responsibilities. It has been very useful fruitful to me.

Job-related skills

1. Diplomatic skills with three specialties: (1) European Affairs, (2) Security and Defence, (3) Economic, Development and global affairs.
2. Extensive Interagency work with ministries and agencies from the fields of economics/treasury, security and defence, research and innovation.
3. Extensive posting abroad in Europe (Brussels, Madrid, Warsaw) and working with / in in EU bodies and international organisations (World Bank/IMF).
4. Management responsibilities with successful results.
5. Capacity to maintain a balance between professional life and family life (as a mother of five children), which translates into ensuring that every team member can have this same balance, whatever his/her constraints or projects.

Distinctions

- *Officière de l'ordre national du Mérite*
- *Chevalière de l'ordre national de la Légion d'Honneur*
- *Médaille de l'Engagement ultra-marin*, silver level

Digital skills

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem-solving
Proficient user	Independent user	Basic user	Independent user	Basic user

Digital skills - Self-assessment grid

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