

SPEAKER'S BIOGRAPHY

Henri Revol (France)



Mr. Henri Revol was born in France on February 14th, 1936. He graduated as an engineer in «Ecole Nationale des Arts et Métiers» and specialised later in nuclear energy systems in the «Institut National des Sciences et Techniques Nucléaires (INSTN)». He started his career in the industry and joined later the French Atomic Energy Commission (CEA) where he worked on nuclear safety, notably as Nuclear Safety Inspector in the «Service central de sûreté des installations nucléaires». He is currently a member of two major advisory bodies: the «Conseil Supérieur de la sûreté et de l'information nucléaire» and the «Conseil supérieur de l'énergie».

He started his political activities as the mayor of the town of Messigny-et-Vantoux and later was elected «conseiller general» of the French department of Côte d'Or (elected mandates he still holds). He was elected in 1989 a member of the French Senate to which he was re-elected in 1998. In the French Senate Mr. Henri Revol has been assuming various responsibilities, including being a member of the «Commission des Affaires Economiques». He is the president of the «Office Parlementaire d'Evaluation des Choix Scientifiques et Technologiques», which is an office of S&T assessment operated by the two French parliament chambers, la «Chambre des Députés et le Sénat». In this capacity, among a great numbers of reports, Senator Revol has directed two major reports on space, the last one having just been published at the beginning of 2007.