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Born in 1951, Yves Caristan graduated from *Ecole Normale Supérieure* at Paris (ENS Paris) in 1975. He obtained his PhD in Geophysics at Massachussets Institute of Technology (MIT, USA) in 1981, and his French PhD in physics at Grenoble University in 1984.

In 1981 he joined the French Atomic Energy Commission (*Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique, CEA*) as Engineer in Environmental Studies. In 1996 he became Head of the Department for Environmental Monitoring. Dr Caristan was chairing the French Technical Delegation for negotiating the Comprehension Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), from 1991 to 1996 at the Conference for Disarmament at the United Nations, first in Geneva, then in Vienna. He was instrumental in the technical design of the Treaty Operational Centre in Vienna.

From 1999 to 2004, Dr Caristan was Director General of the p rincip a I French Geological Institution (*Bureau de Recherche Géologiques et Minières, BRGM*), and a member of EuroGeoSurvey.

From 2005 to 2012, he was appointed as Director of the Physical Science Division at the CEA, and at the same time, Director of the CEA Research Centre in Saclay. The Physical Science Division is deeply involved in international research and development programs around Large European Research Infrastructures, the International Fusion Program ITER, the LHC at CERN, satellites for science (Herschel, JWST). Dr Caristan has been a Board member of several large European infrastructures: Laboratory Léon Brillouin, ESRF synchrotron and III neutron reactor all in Grenoble, and a member of the Consultative Committee for Fusion for the European Commission (CCE FU).

At the European level, Dr Caristan has been one of the initiators in France of the Knowledge and Innovation Communities for Climate (Climate KIC), one of the first three KIC's to be established within the European Institute of Technology (EIT).

Dr Caristan has been active during his career in the field of Management of Research and Development. From 2005 to 2012, as a Director of the CEA Research Center at Saclay, Dr Caristan has been actively involved in the newly created "Université Paris-Saclay" (UPS) project. Since 2 O 1 2 Yves Caristan has been Director for International Affairs at the UPS until April 2015.

After his retirement, he is presently coaching researchers at the UPS who intend to construct science proposals to the European Research Council. He is also the Euro-CASE Secretary General since January 2016.

Dr Caristan is laureate of the Lamb Award from the French Academy of Science (1999) and the CEA Applied Science Award (1998). He is officer of the *Ordre National du Mérite* and knight of the *Légion d'Honneur*. He is a member of the National Academy of Technologies of France.