

# Jean-Jacques Subrenat

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**Jean-Jacques Subrenat** (born 1940) is a [French diplomat](#) who served as [ambassador, permanent representative](#) to the [WEU](#) in [Brussels](#) (1995–1998), [ambassador](#) to [Estonia](#) (1998–2002) and to [Finland](#) (2002–2005). He represented France at the Board of Governors of the Asia-Europe Foundation [ASEF](#) in 2005. He retired from the diplomatic service in September 2005. Speaks, debates and writes on international relations, [European Union] affairs, Asia, defence and security, global trends and challenges. Currently (2010~12, again 2012-14) a member of the At-Large Advisory Committee ([ALAC](#)) of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names & Numbers ([ICANN](#)).

Chairman of the Advisory Board (2007~09) of "[Institut Pierre Werner](#)" in Luxemburg. Tutor at ENA ([Ecole nationale d'administration](#)) in Strasbourg (2007~08). Member of the Board of Directors, [ICANN] (2007–2010). Special adviser to the Board of "[Centre culturel et de rencontre Neumunster](#)" ([CCRN](#)) in Luxemburg (2009–2010), which he represented on the Board of European Union National Institutes for Culture ([EUNIC](#)) (2008–2010).

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## Professional history

He served as a volunteer in the French Navy (1960–63), was a scholarship student in Bordeaux and Paris (1963–68) and worked as a research fellow at the French national centre for scientific research, [CNRS](#) from 1967 to 1971.

After entering the diplomatic service in 1972, he served at the French Ministry of foreign affairs in Paris (policy planning staff, administration and personnel, directorate for Asia and the Pacific, development cooperation, directorate for the Americas), and in several French embassies including as secretary in Singapore and counsellor and later minister-counsellor in Tokyo. He was seconded to the French Ministry of industry (1978–80) to set up the International department at the French solar energy authority [ComES], which subsequently became the Agency for the environment and energy management, [ADEME](#).

## Books published

- Initiator and Editor of “Estonia, identity and independence”, published by Rodopi, Amsterdam and New York, 2004 [\[1\] ISBN 978-90-420-0890-8](#); also published, under his pen name A. Bertriveau, in Estonian [ISBN 978-9985-2-0613-3](#) and Russian [ISBN 978-9985-2-0465-8](#) by Avita, Tallinn 2001; and in French, "Estonie, identité et indépendance" by L'Harmattan, Paris 2002 [ISBN 978-2-7475-1036-3](#)
- Author of "Listen, there's music from the forest: a brief presentation of the Kuhmo Chamber music festival", published by Kuhmon kamarimusiikin kannatusyhdistys r.y., 2006, [ISBN 978-952-92-0564-6](#)

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