

## FRANÇOIS BOURGUIGNON

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Francois Bourguignon is internationally recognized as an intellectual leader in the economics of public policy, inequality and economic growth and development. He also has considerable practical experience of the World Bank and its interactions with developing countries and other partners. He became Chief Economist and Senior Vice-President of the World Bank on October 6, 2003.

Mr. Bourguignon had extensive practical experience of the World Bank and its interactions with developing countries and other partners, having previously served as Director of the Bank's Development Research Group, a part of the Development Economics Vice-Presidency. He has also been an advisor to many developing countries, the OECD, United Nations, European Commission, and was a member of the Council of Economic Advisors to the French Prime Minister.

Since 1985, he has been Professor of Economics at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales in Paris. He has been on leave from that institution since 2003. There he founded and directed the Département et Laboratoire d'Economie Théorique et Appliquée (DELTA), a research unit in theoretical and applied economics. He has also held academic positions at the University of Chile, University of Toronto, and Bocconi University. He is a Fellow of the Econometric Society, and was president of the European Economic Association for Population Economics. He received the silver medal for academic achievements from the French National Centre of Scientific Research in 1999. He has authored or edited several books and over one hundred articles in leading journals, including the *American Economic Review*, *Econometrica*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Economic Theory* and *Journal for Development Economics*. In addition to being the managing editor of the *World Bank Economic Review* from 2000-03, and *European Economic Review* (1990-2000), he has been an associate editor of several other important economic journals, including the *Review of Economic Studies* (1982-1987), *Annales d'Economie et de Statistiques* (1988-1991), and the *Journal of Public Economics*, (1991-1997).

Mr. Bourguignon, a French national, studied at the Ecole Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Analyse Economique (ENSAE) and the University of Paris VI, where he earned a post-graduate degree in Applied Mathematics (1973). He went on to earn a Ph.D. and the Merrit Brown Award for the best thesis at the University of Western Ontario, Canada (1975), and a Doctorate in Economics at the University of Orleans (1979).