

## Appointment of Jean-Michel Severino to the Carrefour Foundation's Board of Directors

**Jean-Michel Severino has been appointed as a Director of the Carrefour Corporate Foundation. This appointment took effect on 9 February.**

Jean-Michel Severino served as CEO of the French Development Agency (AFD) between 2001 and 2010, and prior to that worked for the World Bank. In 2007, he launched the “*Ideas4development*” blog alongside a number of authors who wanted to share their visions of the major challenges facing developing countries and their solutions for tackling them.

### Biography of Jean-Michel Severino

A graduate of ESCP business school, the Paris Institute of Political Studies and the *École nationale d'administration*, Jean-Michel Severino began his career with the Ministry of the Economy and Finances as an inspector. He was then appointed head of International Development at the French Ministry of Cooperation. Thanks to the experience he had acquired within various French development organisations, Jean-Michel Severino was appointed Director for Central Europe at the World Bank (1996-97), before becoming Vice President for Asia (1997-2000). In 2001, he was appointed Director of France's International Development Agency. Then in 2011, he took over as CEO of Investisseurs & Partenaires, continuing with his commitment to Africa.

### The Carrefour Foundation's Board of Directors

The Carrefour Corporate Foundation is run by a Board made up of members who represent the founders, a personnel representative and qualified external people.

- Jérôme Bédier, President of the Foundation, Chief Operating Officer and the Carrefour Group's general corporate secretary;
- Xavier Emmanuelli, Founder of the Samusocial International and Paris Samu social associations, former minister of social affairs;
- Xavier Fontanet, founder of the Fontanet Foundation;
- Wu Jianmin, Honorary President of the International Exhibitions Bureau, former Chinese ambassador to France;
- Guy Paillotin, Honorary president of the INRA, Permanent Secretary of the French Academy of Agriculture;
- Marie-Noëlle Brouaux, Executive Communications Director of the Carrefour Group;
- Noël Prioux, Executive Director France of the Carrefour Group;
- Martine Saint-Cricq, Employee representative.

The Board of Directors meets three times a year. It decides on the areas in which the Foundation is to work, sets its budget and oversees its performance.

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### **About the Carrefour Foundation**

*Created in 2000, the Carrefour Corporate Foundation is focused on tackling social exclusion at international level for everyone. Supported by the Group's teams and their expertise, it is involved in two key areas – working to ensure that people have enough to eat and providing emergency humanitarian aid. The Carrefour Corporate Foundation runs sponsorship programmes alongside the retailer in the countries in which Carrefour operates, as well as in the Group's supplier countries. With a budget of €7.7 million, the Carrefour Corporate Foundation funded 70 projects in 2015 in 15 different countries. For more information, visit [www.fondation-carrefour.org](http://www.fondation-carrefour.org)*