

WIPO-UPOV SYMPOSIUM ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS IN PLANT BIOTECHNOLOGY

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- Education
- “Ingénieur Agronome“ of the “Ecole de Grignon”, France, 1966
 - Post Graduate in Soil Science, 1967
 - Ph.D. in Plant Biology, 1973
- Main Occupations
- CIRAD-ORSTOM Scientist in Agronomy 1967-1975
1969-1975 Ivory Coast (Head of the Agronomy Dept, 1972-75)
- Groupe Limagrain
1976-1979 Production Manager
1980-1984 President and Chief Executive Officer of Mennesson Company:
Breeding, production and commercialization of cereals and beet seeds
1985-1993 Senior Vice-President of Groupe Limagrain: Research
1987-1993 Chairman of the Boards, President and CEO of Biocem (France),
Biocem Nickerson (UK), Biocem Pacific (Australia): Plant
biotechnology companies
1989-1993 Chairman of the Board of Gene Shears (Australia): Joint Venture
between CSIRO, Johnson & Johnson and Limagrain
- Some Official Positions
- FIS/ASSINSEL now ISF
- 1993- Secretary General
 - 1986-1993 Scientific Committee of the French National Institute for
Agronomic Research (INRA) (member).
 - 1989-1995 Comité pour la protection des obtentions végétales (France)
(member).
 - 1990-1994 Conseil supérieur de la recherche et de la technologie (France)
(member).
 - 1997-1998 World Bank Panel on Biotechnology and Intellectual Property
(member).
 - 1998-2002 Scientific Committee of the French National Institute for
Agronomic Research (member).
 - 1998- Genetic Resources Policy Committee, CGIAR (member).
- Some Elected Positions
- 1986-1990 Maize Section of the International Association of Plant Breeders
for the Protection of Intellectual Property (ASSINSEL) (President)
 - 1987-1992 Founder, member of the Steering Committee then Chairman of
GIBiP (European Green Industry Biotechnology Platform)
 - 1987-1991 Intellectual Property Group of ASSINSEL (Chairman)
 - 1991-1993 Vice-President, then President of ASSINSEL
 - 2000- Member of the French Academy of Technologies
 - 2003- Member of the French Academy of Agriculture

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