Biography of Laurent Fabius

Education

Laurent Fabius was born in Paris on 20 August 1946. He is a graduate of the Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS), attended the National School of Public Administration (ENA), and he holds an Agrégation in French language and literature. After ENA, he joined the French Conseil d'Etat as a Maître des Requêtes.

French National Assembly

He was elected Deputy for the Seine-Maritime Department for the first time in 1978 and continually re-elected ever since. Laurent Fabius served two terms as President of the National Assembly, from 1988 to 1992 and from 1997 to 2000.

Prime Minister

Laurent Fabius has held many ministerial positions during his career, including that of Prime Minister from 1984 to 1986. He was also Budget Minister from 1981 to 1983, Minister of Industry and Research from 1983 to 1984, and Minister for the Economy, Finance and Industry from 2000 to 2002. He is currently Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Development and has been in office since 2012.

Works

Laurent Fabius is the author of six books and a specialist in economic and financial issues, European affairs, international relations, as well as paintings and sculpture.

His latest book is entitled Le Cabinet des Douze – Regards sur des tableaux qui font la France (Editions Gallimard, 2010) and has won the Prix Montaigne award.