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Thierry de Montbrial is a Member of the "Institut de France". He has been professor of Economics at the *Ecole Polytechnique* since 1974 and chaired its Department of Economics between 1974 and 1992. He also holds the chair of *Economics and International Relations* at the *Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers*.

He has been a columnist at *Le Monde* since march 2002. He was a columnist at *Le Figaro* from 1989 to 2001.

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Between 1993 and 2001, he was the first Chairman of the Foundation for Strategic Research newly created.

In 1973, Michel Jobert, Foreign Affairs Minister, entrusted him with the setting up of the Policy Planning Staff (*Centre d'Analyse et de Prévision*) at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He was its first director from 1973 to 1979. He then founded the French Institute of International Relations.

In June 1992, he was elected as a member of the *Institut de France (Académie des Sciences Morales et Politiques)* of which he was elected president for the year 2001. He is also a member of the *Académie des Technologies*. He was elected as a member of the *Academia Europaea* in March 1993, of the *Académie Royale de Belgique* in January 1996, of the *Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences* in May 1999, of the *Rumanian Academy* in December 1999 and of the *Russian Academy of Sciences* in May 2003.

He is Dr *Honoris Causa* of the *Rumanian Academy of Economic Studies* (1996) and of the *Academy of Sciences of Azerbaijan* (2002).

He has been awarded state orders by the governments of Austria, Poland, the Federal Republic of Germany, Belgian, the Netherlands, Rumania and Brazil.

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