Laurent FABIUS



Appointed President of the Constitutional Council on February 19th, 2016, by the President of the Republic

Took the oath of office on 8 March 2016

Born August 20th, 1946, in Paris (16th arrondissement)

Education

- Former student of the École Normale Supérieure (Ulm)
- Agrégé of modern literature
- Graduate of the *Institut d'études politiques* in Paris
- Former student of the *École nationale d'administration (François Rabelais class)*

Career

Council of State

- 1993 : Auditor
- 1981: Master of Requests, on secondment while a member of the National Assembly

Local mandates

- 1977 / 1982 : Regional Councillor then President of the Regional Council (1981) of Upper Normandy
- 1977 / 2016 : Deputy Mayor, then Mayor (1995-2000), then Deputy Mayor and Municipal Councillor (2000-2016) of Grand-

Quevilly (Seine-Maritime department)

- 1989 / 2000 : President of the Greater Rouen multi-purpose intercommunal syndicate (Syndicat intercommunal à vocations multiples, SIVOM)
- 2000 / 2002 : Member of the Seine-Maritime General Council, representing Grand-Couronne canton
- 2004 / 2008 : Vice-President of the Greater Rouen Conurbation (Communauté d'agglomération rouennaise)
- 2008 / 2012 : President of the Rouen, Elbeuf and Austreberthe Conurbation (*Communauté d'agglomération de Rouen*, Elbeuf, and Austreberthe, CREA)

National Assembly

- 1978 / 2012 : MP for the Seine-Maritime department (re-elected in every election)
- 1988 / 1992 : President of the National Assembly
- 1995 / 1997 : President of the Socialists of the National Assembly
- 1997 / 2000 : President of the National Assembly

European Parliament

• 1989 / 1992 : Member of the European Parliament

Socialist Party

• 1992 / 1993 : First Secretary

Government positions

- 1981 / 1983 : Junior Minister responsible for the Budget in the Ministry of the Economy and Finance
- 1983 / 1984 : Minister for Industry and Research
- 1984 / 1986 : Prime Minister
- 2000 / 2002 : Minister for the Economy, Finance, and Industry
- 2012 / 2016 : Foreign Minister, then Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Development

International positions

• 2015 / 2016 : President of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris (COP 21)

Constitutional Council

• March 2016 : President of the Constitutional Council, appointed by the President of the Republic

Honours

- Grand Cross of the National Order of Merit
- Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour
- Knight of the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic
- Grand Cross of the Order of Isabella the Catholic (Spain)
- Grand Cross of the Order of Prince Henry (Portugal)
- Officer of the National Order of Quebec
- Grand Cross of the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit
- Grand Cross of the Order of the Star of Romania

Publications

- Liberté, Libertés, a collaboration, Gallimard, 1976
- C'est en allant vers la mer, Seuil, 1990
- *Les Blessures de la vérité*, Flammarion, 1995 (Prize for the best political book)
- Cela commence par une balade, Plon, 2003
- Le Cabinet des douze Regards sur des tableaux qui font la France, Gallimard, 2010 (Montaigne prize)
- *37, Quai d'Orsay Diplomatie française 2012-2016*, Plon, 2016

Articles published in the Cahiers du Conseil Constitutionnel (in french)

• Foreword, Nouveaux Cahiers du Conseil constitutionnel, n° 53 (dossier : La Constitution et la laïcité) - octobre 2016