Franck Galland

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Between 2004 and 2010, Franck Galland was Vice President in charge of corporate security and crisis management at Suez Environment, a world leading water company.

Between 2001 and 2004, he was attached to the Vice President in charge of business development of Ondeo Services (international activities of Suez-Lyonnaise des Eaux), as Group risk manager.

Between 1997 and 2001, as Director of operations of Miallot & Associés, a consulting firm part of the Mazars & Guérard group specialising in international risk management, Mr. Galland advised major French groups on emerging markets, including Lyonnaise des Eaux.

At the end of 2010, after spending ten years at the Suez group, Mr. Galland chose to devote the second half of his career to an entrepreneurial project. He therefore created Environmental Emergency & Security Services.

Mr. Galland has a master degree in international affairs from the Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Marseille (Euromed Management) and is currently considered as one of the leading European expert in water security. He also made extensive research on the vulnerabilities of critical infrastructures such as water supply and sanitation systems.

He is the author of two well-received books, 'L'eau: géopolitique, enjeu, stratégies' (Water: geopolitics, challenges, strategies), published by CNRS Editions in September 2008, and 'Eau & conflictualités' (Water & conflicts), published by Choiseul Editions in January 2012. He has also written more than forty analyses on strategic and security challenges concerning water, in reviews on international relations and defense.

He is a speaker who is regularly invited to defence and security institutes, both in France and abroad, to talk about the problems linked to water resources. These have included l'Institut des Hautes Etudes de la Défense Nationale in Paris, the Royal United Services Institute in London and the China Institute for International Strategic Studies in Beijing.

Lastly Franck Galland is a Special Advisor to the Chairman of the French High Committee for Civil Defence, and an Associate Researcher at the Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique in Paris and at the Water, Energy and Environment Research Center in Beirut.