



Henri Malosse

President of the Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

1954 - Born in Montpellier, France

1980 - Established the European Association of Craft, Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (UEAPME)
This umbrella group represents the interests of SMEs, crafts and trades at the European level.



2013 - Appointed as President of the Economic and Social Committee
Henri Malosse is the 30th person to hold this position, which he is allowed to retain until late 2015.

2014 - Participated in a human rights march in China during a visit of Xi Jinping to Brussels
- Received the National Order of the Legion of Honour

Role in the EU:

- Responsible for the smooth running of the EESC
- Acts as the EESC's external spokesman
- The EESC meets approximately 8 times per year to discuss economic and business policies
- The EESC brings together business and trade union leaders, farmers and consumers representative and other groups
- The EESC aims to identify opinions to be forwarded to the Commission, Council and Parliament - the EU Commission and Parliament have to consult the EESC before making decisions but are under no obligation to take its advice

Quotes:

"The suffering of the Greek people over the past six years should not be in vain." (2014)

Trivia:

Henri Malosse is fluent in English, German, Russian and Polish. He has published more than fifty reports and several books. Apart from being President of the Economic and Social Committee, Henri Malosse is lecturer on various European affairs at the Robert Schuman University in Strasbourg, and at the University of Wroclaw in Poland.

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