

Biographies of Euratom's "Three Wise Men"

Francesco GIORDANI: President of the Italian National Research Council

Born in Naples, 1896. Professor of general and inorganic chemistry at the University of Naples from 1925. President of the Chemistry Committee of the National Research Council. Vice-President of the "Accademia Nazionale dei Lincea". President of the "SVINEZ" (institute for the Development of Southern Italy) and one of the promoters of the investment and modernisation policy in the south. From July 1952 to July 1956 President of the National Committee for Nuclear Research; prepared the draft which served as basis for the Bill on nuclear research at present before the Italian Parliament. Headed mission to United States, 1956, to prepare nuclear research agreement between U.S. and Italian Governments. From November 1956, President of Italian National Research Council.