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Mr François STAEDLIN

France. Born on 9 December 1928.

After obtaining his secondary school leaving certificate (baccalauréat) he was successful in a competitive examination for the recruitment of PTT (Postal, Telegraph and Telephone Authority) officials and entered PTT services on 1 May 1947.

Elected Secretary-General of the PTT departmental trade union (CFDT - French Democratic Confederation of Labour) as from 1 January 1951.

Elected President of the Alsace Regional Union of CFDT officials on 1 September 1953.

Elected President of the National PTT Federation - CFDT on 1 April 1958.

Elected Regional President of the Alsace CFDT on 1 November 1961.

Elected to the National Bureau of the CFDT on 1 May 1963.

Elected World President of the PTT Professional Council (WCL) on 6 November 1965.

Since April 1976 Political Secretary of the European Trade Union confederation.

Member of the Economic and Social Committee since September 1986 and Chairman of the Workers' Group.

