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PUBLIC CONFERENCE

June 13, 2017 at 19:00

House of the Estates - Lecture Hall 15, Snellmaninkatu 9-11

PROF. CATHERINE BRECHIGNAC

The importance of science and innovation in the context of global issues

This conference will be open by:

Sanni GRAHN-LAASONEN, Minister of Education (tbc)

H.E. Serge TOMASI, Ambassador of France to Finland

Moderation by:

Prof. Fred Karlsson, President of the Finnish Society of Science and Letters



CATHERINE BRÉCHIGNAC is a French scientist. She is the "secrétaire perpétuel" of the Académie des sciences since 2011 and former president of the CNRS ("National Centre for Scientific Research"). As a president of the CNRS, she was responsible for 25,000 employees, 12,000 of whom are researchers, and a budget of 2.42 billion euros. In 1989 she became director of the Aimé Cotton laboratory, and was Director General of the CNRS from 1997 to 2000. In 2005 she was elected future president of the International Council for Science. She was appointed President of the CNRS at the Council of Ministers of 11 January 2006 on the recommendation of François Goulard, the minister for higher education and research. She is currently the French Ambassador for Science, Innovation and Technology.

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