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Jean-François Boittin's focus at Transnational Strategy Group is transatlantic, EU and French trade, technology and sanctions matters. He also serves as special advisor to the Director General of the French Treasury and just completed a report on trade policy and the digital economy. He was Minister Counselor for Economic and Financial Affairs at the French Embassy in Washington DC from November 2010 till September 2013.

Prior to that, he was the Minister Counselor for Economic and Financial Affairs at the French Embassy in Berlin from July 2006 to November 2010 and the Minister Counselor for Economic and Commercial Affairs at the French Embassy in Washington DC from September 1997 to June 2006.

Prior to this appointment, he served as Deputy Under Secretary at the Ministry of Economy and Finance, in Paris.

From 1992 to 1995, he was in charge of trade policy and in that capacity negotiated, within the European Union, the final phase of the Uruguay Round and was a frequent spokesman for France in the 113 Full Members Committee in Brussels. At the same time he served as French representative to the OECD Trade Committee. He was actively involved in the launch of the ASEM, the TABD and the NEA negotiations. In 1996 and 1997, Mr. Boittin headed the trade finance division at the Ministry of Economy, supervising COFACE, the French Export Financing Agency, and managing the tied aid program.

From 1986 to 1992, Mr. Boittin was the French representative to GATT in Geneva. In 1985 – 1986, he served on the staff of the Minister for Trade and Industry, Edith Cresson. He was previously posted to Washington (1984-1985) and New York (1980-1983).

Mr. Boittin was born in 1949. He is a graduate of Ecole Normale Supérieure, where he earned advanced degrees in classics, and Ecole Nationale d'Administration. He is married and the father of four daughters.