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Stéphane Israël Chairman and CEO of Arianespace

Date of Birth: January 3, 1971

Married, 3 children

On April 18, 2013, Stéphane Israël was named Chairman and CEO of Arianespace, the world's leading satellite launch services company, which operates the Ariane 5, Soyuz and Vega launchers from the Guiana Space Center in French Guiana. Until this latest appointment, he was chief of staff to the French Minister for Industrial Renewal.

Stéphane Israël graduated from the Ecole Normale Supérieure and the Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA). He was appointed a judge in the French Court of Auditors in 2001 after graduating from ENA. In this position he mainly participated in missions concerning French space policy.

He moved to the aerospace industry in 2007, first as advisor to Louis Gallois, Chief Executive Officer of EADS, then holding various operational management positions in the defense branch of Astrium Space Transportation and the geo-information division of Astrium Services.

A professor affiliated with the Ecole Normale Supérieure and Paris I La Sorbonne from 2005 to 2007, he was also a teaching assistant at Harvard University in the United States from 1994 to 1995.