

# **Jean-Marie Guehenno**

## **Special adviser to the SG on Regional Cooperation**

Jean-Marie Guehenno is joining the Brookings Institution and the center on International Cooperation as a senior fellow. He is also a special adviser of the Secretary general of the United Nations for regional cooperation.

Previously, as the Under-Secretary-General for peacekeeping operations from 2000 to 2008, became the longest-serving head of peacekeeping. He led the biggest expansion of peacekeeping in the history of the United Nations. In this role, he oversaw a budget of 7bn US\$, which supports the deployment of over 100000 personnel in 18 different operations. He has been at the forefront of efforts to address the conflicts of Africa, from the Democratic Republic of the Congo to Darfur, as well as the new strategic challenges, from Afghanistan to Kosovo and Georgia.

Before joining the United Nations, Mr. Guehenno had a distinguished career in the French Government and in the private sector.

Mr. Guehenno was the director of policy planning in the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1989 to 1993. He has also been ambassador to the Western European Union, and chairman of the French Institute of Higher Defense Studies.

Mr. Guehenno has published articles in many newspapers and magazines, and is the author of the End of the Nation-State (1993). Mr. Guehenno has been a professor at the ENA and at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques of Paris.