

Press Release

New man at FORATOM helm

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FORATOM, the trade association representing the European nuclear industry, announced today that Jean-Pol Poncelet has been appointed its new Director General. He succeeds Santiago San Antonio, who has stepped down after five years in the Brussels hot seat.

Jean-Pol Poncelet is Belgian. He graduated in civil engineering from the Ecole Polytechnique of the Catholic University of Louvain (Belgium). During a long and distinguished career in industry and public service, Jean-Pol Poncelet has been Head of the Belgian Agency for Radioactive Waste and Enriched Fissile Materials, ONDRAF; Director of Strategy and External Relations at the European Space Agency (ESA) and, most recently, Advisor to Anne Lauvergeon, CEO of AREVA, and AREVA's Senior Vice President of Sustainable Development and Continuous Improvement. Between 1995 and 1999, he was Deputy Prime Minister, Defence Minister and Energy Minister in the Belgian government.

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